

September 5, 2019

The monthly meeting of the Richmond Township Supervisors was held at the Township Building at 30348 State Highway 408. The meeting was called to order with a salute to the flag and a moment of silence at 6:00 P.M. In attendance were Supervisors James and Sharpe, Scott Wheelock, Sandy James, Mike Lokuta, Nancy Lokuta, and Rhonda Phillips.

Minutes of the August 1, 2019: Copies were distributed to those in attendance. Sharpe asked if there were any additions and/or corrections.

**Motion made by James, seconded by Sharpe, to approve the minutes as read. Motion carried; two ayes.

Correspondence:

---Notice regarding impact of forest management and timber harvesting ordinances on private forests.

---Contract from Crawford County Planning Office for CDBG grant.

---Scuba fire fighter team looking for donations.

---Ballot for election of a trustee for the PSATS Unemployment Compensation Group Trust.

---Windstream is offering an upgrade for our internet from 3 megabytes to 25 megabytes for \$10.

**Motion made by James, seconded by Sharpe, to spend the extra \$10 to upgrade the internet. Motion carried; two ayes.

Bills and Receipts: See Treasurer's report.

**Motion made by James, seconded by Sharpe, to approve all bills and receipts. Motion carried; two ayes.

Reports:

Planning Commission – No meeting.

Rec Board – No report. We need someone to monitor the Facebook account.

Road Superintendent's Report - The month of September started with going to dirt and gravel school. We have been doing some grading and putting down 2RC on different spots trying to get roads built back up. We also had to have a new sub-frame put under the F-550 dump bed and a bucket rebuilt on the loader. We did some repair on Smith Road that has had nothing done in a long time. We replaced two pipes on that road. We are trying to get things done for the upcoming season. It will be here before we know it. --- John

Tax Collection Committee – No report.

Web Site Report – There were 307 visitors to the township website for the month of August. Thirty-one percent was direct traffic. Different people are looking for a tentative schedule for road work.

Old Business -

Assessment permit, Driveway pipe installation fee, Richmond Township ordinances – WIP.

Tree trimming over roads – Morton received a bid on this for \$8500 for John Brown Rd. It is possible to get grants for this from the Conservation District.

Amish buildings – We are contacting the lawyer because they are not adhering to stop work orders from BIU.

New LED lights/ceiling fans – Steve Biachko putting up a couple of trial lights. We can order a 12-pack for \$259.99.

Possible selling of old brine tanks, spreader, and disc – James is planning to put them on PSATS bidding page.

Insurance on equipment – The secretary will get information from John regarding the equipment to add on the insurance.

Townville VFD agreement – Representatives came during the supervisors' work session and an agreement was signed to cover the next five years.

Resident's car/van rock damage – The insurance company said that the township is exempt. They probably will pay the deductible for their comprehensive coverage.

Signs for pavilions – The secretary will work on coming up with the information for these.

Painting pavilions – The person who was painting the pavilions told Scott that he misquoted for the job and was going to need more money to finish. The supervisors decided to pay this person \$400 for painting the first pavilion, and then call Derrick to finish the second pavilion.

New Business:

Hire new employee –

**Motion made by Sharpe, seconded by James, to hire Brian Proctor to take Bret Keister’s place. Motion carried; two ayes.

**Motion made by Sharpe, seconded by James, to make an exception of \$19.50/hr for the new hire due to experience. Motion carried; two ayes.

John’s wage-

**Motion made by Sharpe, seconded by James, to raise John’s wage to \$21/hr. Motion carried; two ayes.

Budget meeting – September 27th at 4 pm.

Fall newsletter – Need dates for Trunk or Treat and voting plus any other important dates.

Citizens` Comments and Concerns

No concerns were brought before the board.

*** Motion made by James, seconded by Sharpe, to adjourn. Motion carried; two ayes.

Meeting adjourned at 6:48 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Rhonda Phillips
Township Secretary