

Minutes February10,2022

The Board of Supervisors, Exeter Twp. Wyoming County, held their meeting for the month of February on February 10th, 2022. The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll call: David Thorpe-present, Richard Fitzsimmons-present, Timothy Pierce-present, Rachael Saunders. All others signed in via attendance sheet.

A motion was made by David and seconded by Timothy to approve previous minutes Roll call: David-yes, Richard-yes, Timothy-Yes, Motion carried.

Treasurer report: Gen. Fund Check: \$74,532.36, Cap. Improv. Fund: \$105,099.71, Park Checking: \$3,883.72, CC Acct: \$862.83, Impact: \$47,142.61, Sr Water: \$14.12, Recovery Account: \$33,233.22, TOTAL GENERAL: \$264,768.57, State Fund Checking: \$143,464.63, TOTAL ALL ACCOUNTS: \$408,233.20. Motion to approve by David and seconded by Timothy. Roll call: David-yes, Richard-yes, Timothy-Yes, Motion carried.

	Payed To	Amount
\$100.00	Richard Fitzsimmons	\$88.28
\$10.00	Leanne Hopkins	\$8.82
\$100.00	Timothy Pierce	\$88.28
\$37.50	Dustin Robinson	\$33.08
\$100.00	David Thorpe	\$88.28
\$37.50	Rachael Saunders	\$33.08
\$25.00	David Thorpe	\$22.05
\$3,520.00	Andrew Hopkins	\$2,743.57
\$31.25	Timothy Pierce	\$27.57
	CRI payroll services	\$50.00
\$10.00	Adele Barone	\$8.82
\$850.00	Nancie Hopkins	\$701.12
\$212.75	Ronald Jackson	\$187.69
	Five Star Equipment	\$2,750.00
	PSATS	\$573.00
	Carol Bardzel	\$245.75
	A. Hopkins	\$51.00
	Comcast	\$250.50
	Citizens Voice	\$140.00
	Anthony Litwin	\$404.17
	C&K Sanitation	\$15.00
	Davis Gregory & Kyle	\$710.00
	Penelec	\$748.51
	Ace- Robbins	\$377.33
	Ron Jackson	\$7.38

	Citizens Voice	\$65.00
	C&K Sanitation	\$15.00
	Penelec	\$937.78
	Farnham & Assoc	\$215.00
	Cargill	\$1,418.07
	Hilltop Quarry	\$558.00
	AIT Auto	\$400.00
	Barton Supply	\$4,651.86
	Farnham & Assoc	\$295.00
	Medico	\$1,293.56
	C.S Verbruyck	\$572.22
	Bradco	\$1,692.96
	Mile Hill Auto	\$319.69

There was a question on the Bartron's bill. Andrew will look into it and a check will be sent. Ann Marie Farley questioned the lack of her pay. Nancie explained it was an oversight on her part and Ann Marie will be paid in March.

A motion was made by Richard and seconded by Timothy to pay the bills. Roll Call: David-yes, Richard-yes,-Timothy-yes, Motion carried

State trooper William of the Pennsylvania State Police out of Tunkhannock gave a report on the calls in our township for the year 2021. Trooper stated that there were patrol cars watching certain areas in the morning after complaints of cars passing out school buses. There was also some discussion on some school buses driving too fast. This will be looked into. David inquired if there was an obligated patrol time or hours spent in our township – no, not at this time. He was questioned about relationships with adjoining municipalities and there are with Tunkhannock Twp. and Exeter Twp and Exeter borough in Luzerne County.

Road report – concerns about bamboo on Gomena St and in front of Ann Marie Farley's home. The bamboo is destroying the pavement on our road.

Bldg and Zoning – Ron submitted his report. Resident inquired about camping on a FEMA lot that the Twp. owns. A motion not to allow this was made by David Seconded by Richard Roll Call: David no, Richard no, Timothy no – Motion passed.

SEO – no report

Park Report – There is a broken toy. Motion was made by David and seconded by Richard to purchase wood carpet for the park. Roll call: David yes, Richard yes, Timothy yes. Motion carried.

Senior Center report – the center ran out of oil – Richard explained Ace Robbins was to have put us on auto delivery but hadn't. This was rectified. Concerning the wall units installed by the Bureau of Aging, Matt Zdaniewicz was able to get the one working but feels that all will probably need to be replaced in a year or so and also they should be acid washed which he can do come spring. Concerning the new water

system, Riley Assoc. will oversee the project and give us some names of contractors that they feel can do the job. We will have to put this out for a bid depending on the cost of the project. The loan we originally took out for the project is about exhausted but Nancie feels that the loan payments should really be taken from the general fund and the payments we receive from the Housing Authority should go into the general fund. When the loan was taken out the Supervisors at the time wanted to use the loan money. This will be looked into before applying for another loan. The budget is not affected, it is just moving money from one account to another. Also, we are looking into another water testing company for the future. We need to reach out to Dennis Phelps concerning the Trehab grant that we were awarded several years ago but have not received that was for a new roof for the Senior Center.

Correspondence: a resignation from Nancie Hopkins was accepted. The engagement letter from Ginader-Jones needs to be signed for them to do the audit for 2021. Washington Twp. is leasing us a truck until ours is repaired at \$100 per month. Tim thanked Andrew for reaching out and making the arrangements.

Old Business: a motion was made by David and seconded by Richard to exonerate Ann Marie Farley from the unpaid taxes for 2021. Roll call: David-yes Richard-yes Timothy-Yes. motion carried.

There is a vacant position for auditor. A motion was made by David and seconded Timothy to appoint William Hopkins to this position. Roll call: roll David-yes Richard-yes Timothy-yes -motion carried.

Concerning the lettering for the truck, Andrew has a price of less than \$125. A motion was made by Richard and seconded by Timothy to go ahead. Roll Call: David-yes Richard-yes Timothy-yes motion carried.

New Business: Rachael Saunders was appointed Secretary/Treasurer for the Township. A motion was made by David and seconded by Richard to change the office hours to Saturdays from 10:00 to noon. Roll Call: David-yes Richard-yes Timothy-yes motion carried.

There was discussion of placing a drop box at the tax collectors home. A motion was made by David and seconded by Timothy to do this. Roll call: David-yes Richard-yes Timothy-yes. Motion carried.

Carol Bardzel requested a copy of the resolution for the fees for documents requested. Nancie will get it for her. Also, a resolution is needed to allow her to open a checking account for the tax income. A motion was made by Richard and seconded David to allow an account to be opened. Roll call: David-yes, Richard-yes, Timothy-yes. Motion carried. Rachael will prepare the resolution. There was then some discussion of the drop box and a motion to rescind the previous motion was made by Timothy and seconded by David. Roll call: David-yes, Richard-yes, Timothy-yes. Motion carried. Carol asked permission to have office hours at the township building. A motion was made by Timothy and seconded by David to allow this. Roll call: David-yes, Richard-yes, Timothy-yes. Motion carried.

Concerning the flood plain ordinance, our solicitor feels that the wording should be changed from summary offense to misdemeanor and Ron was asked his opinion on the restrictions. After some discussion, a motion was made by David and seconded by Timothy to keep the restrictions as they are and change the wording from summary offence to misdemeanor. Roll Call: David-yes, Richard-yes, Timothy-yes. Motion carried.

The salt contract through Costars was discussed. A motion was made by Timothy and seconded by David to contract for 4 loads of salt. Roll Call: David-yes, Richard-yes, Timothy-yes. Motion carried.

Persons to be heard:

Logan Zdaniewicz is proposing a skate park in our Township for his Eagle Scout Badge. Logan gave his power point presentation. The cost depends on the size and the modular pieces are not removable but should not be damaged by flood waters. Life expectancy is about 15 years. There was some discussion and it was decided that the Supervisors and Logan will meet and view several areas where it could be built.

Matt Zdaniewicz and Dustin Robinson are having water runoff issues coming from Woodside Ave. some discussion about having it drain into existing drains that go down to River Rd. where we are already having standing water issues. The supervisors will look at some information already done previously by our engineering firm and will look into this further.

Jim Laskowski asked if the "no trespassing" signs could be taken down on the O'Fier lot facing his home. They are upsetting to him. David will look into whether the Township can post only certain properties or have to post all properties.

Tom Saunders inquired about setbacks for a chicken coop. He will get in touch with Ron Jackson concerning this.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:58pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Rachael Saunders

Secretary/Treasurer