HEPBURN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES March 12, 2019

Chairman Joseph Hamm called the regular monthly meeting of the Hepburn Township Board of Supervisors to order at 7:00 p.m. Supervisors Hamm, Fesemyer and Schon were present, along with the secretary/treasurer, zoning/codes officer and solicitor.

Secretary's report was reviewed and approved for the February 18, 2019 meeting.

- Schon motion
- Fesemyer second
 - Approved 3-0

Treasurer's Report was reviewed and approved.

- Fesemyer motion
- Schon second
 - Approved 3-0

Ending balance in General Fund – \$264,673.84 Ending balance in Savings Account – \$206,999.75 Act 13 Impact Fee Balance – \$177,454.77 2016 Flood Reimbursement – \$20,010.46 Investments Account – \$507,450.00 Ending balance in State Liquid Fuel Fund – \$173,642.68

TOWNSHIP RESIDENTS

• Mr. Dwaine Wilson, 1566 Smokey Corners Road – Mr. Wilson requested an update on the Smokey Corners Small Flow Treatment System project. Chairman Hamm stated the last update the Board received was that the residents were working with Jeff Brooks on re-configuring the collection line due to Mrs. Fisher being added onto the line and project. Chairman Hamm stated he will contact Mr. Brooks after the meeting to provide Mr. Wilson an update and to urge Jeff Brooks to move the project to the bidding stage so it can be completed in 2019.

POLICE REPORT – Sgt. Jeff Hughes

• February 2019 – 51 incidents; YTD – 109 incidents

FIRE COMPANY – Chief Jeff Tempesco

- Chief Tempesco reported that the fire company has had over 100 calls YTD.
- There will be 5–7 new members joining the fire company.
- The Fire Company has signed an agreement with Beech Resources for gas rights.
- The Fire Company received a Fire and EMS grant for a combined total of approximately \$19,000.
- Upcoming Fundraisers: Handgun Bingo March 30, 2019; Carnival May 14–18, 2019.

ROAD FOREMAN REPORT – Scott Paulhamus

- Mr. Paulhamus stated that Dincher & Dincher Tree Surgeons are working on Rock Run Road trimming and removing trees. The cost for this project is \$160 per hour. It is estimated that it will take about 40 hours to complete the work.
- The road paving project will be advertised for bid this month with bid opening being at the April meeting.

ZONING/CODES OFFICER – Don Robinson

• There were no permits issued in the month of February. See attached list of activities also addressed during the month.

OLD BUSINESS

• There was no old business to be discussed.

NEW BUSINESS

• Zito Media has submitted a request to negotiate a new cable franchise agreement. The Board of Supervisors will request a quote from Cohen Law Firm who specializes in cable franchise agreements, to represent the Township in this matter.

PLANNING COMMISSION

- Plan number 495 was presented to the Board. It is a subdivision plan for Craig Fry with a road maintenance agreement.
 - Schon motion
 - Fesemyer second
 - Approved 3-0

SOLICITOR REPORT – Marc Drier, Esquire

- Solicitor Drier updated the Board regarding changes to the Sunshine Act with regard to Executive Sessions which now includes public safety and emergency preparedness.
- The FCC has issued an order to allow small cell towers (less than 50' tall and three square feet at the base) in the public right of way.
- The Lycoming Sanitary Committee had a pension plan for employees that member municipalities agreed to be responsible for as participating members. The pension plan is underfunded and they are now looking to the former member municipalities to make up the difference.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

- Lycoming County Commissioner Jack McKernan was present and asked it there were any issues that the Board was concerned about.
- Chairman Hamm stated that the flood gauge on Hepburnville #4 Bridge on Lycoming
 Creek Road has not worked for years and has been brought to the attention of Lycoming
 County Public Safety, the Commissioners and the administration multiple times.
 Residents rely on this gauge for Lycoming Creek levels during high water events and life
 and property are at risk due to the gauge not functioning properly. Commissioner
 McKernan assured the Board of Supervisors that he would look into it and get back to the
 Board with a response.

- Motion to adjourn meeting
 - Fesemyer motion
 - Schon second
 - Approved 3-0

Attendance at Board meeting: Joseph Hamm, Oscar Schon, Bob Fesemyer, Patty Foster, Don Robinson and Marc Drier, Solicitor.

Respectfully submitted,

Patty Foster, Secretary