

March 11, 2019

The Supervisors of Weisenberg Township, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania met at 7:00 p.m. in the Municipal Building, 2175 Seipstown Road, Fogelsville, Pennsylvania where Supervisor Linda Gorgas opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States of America. Present were Anthony Werley, Richard Bleiler, Brian Carl, Stan Wojciechowski, and Peter Lehr.

Minutes of the February 11, 2019 meeting minutes were approved by motion of Richard Bleiler seconded by Linda Gorgas. Motion carried.

The treasurer's reports of February 28, 2019, were approved by motion of Anthony Werley, seconded by Richard Bleiler. Motion carried.

Weisenberg Township

Treasurer Report

February 28, 2019

General Fund Expenses	2/01/19 – 2/11/19	73,834.47
General Fund Expenses	2/12/19 – 2/28/19	40,047.06
State Fund Expenses	2/11/19	16,012.25
Recreation Fund Expenses	2/11/19	-

	<u>Balance as 2/28/19</u>
General Fund Checking	1,294,344.65
General Fund – CD	700,000.00
State Fund Checking	-
State Fund Money Market	26,181.31
Equipment Fund Money Market	206,682.56
Arcadia Industrial Park Signalization Fund	49,538.80
Recreation Fund	10,037.48
Fire Equipment Fund	52,890.99
Fire Equipment Fund – CD	192,902.99
Miscellaneous Escrow Fund	5,634.84
Road Swap Money Market	483,155.48
General Fund – CD Traffic Signalization	77,772.08
Capital Projects Fund	100,204.70
Open Space Fund – CD	5,000.00
Yard Waste Recycling Fund – CD	<u>65,000.00</u>
Total Assets	3,269,345.88

VISA Account Reconciliation – Brian

Beginning Balance	1,350.30
Payments	(1,350.30)

Purchases

USPS – Postage	23.55
<u>1&1 – Internet email</u>	<u>50.97</u>

	<u>74.52</u>
Ending Balance	<u>74.52</u>
<u>VISA Account Reconciliation – Tony</u>	
Beginning Balance	0.00
Payments	(0.00)
Purchases	
	<u>0.00</u>
Ending Balance	<u>0.00</u>

SUBDIVISIONS & LAND DEVELOPMENT:

None

OLD BUSINESS:

We will be having our Electronic Recycling event on March 16th from 9 am to 12 noon or until the two trucks are full at the Weisenberg Fire Station. The event will be advertised on our website, in the office and in a flyer in the Northwestern Press. The second event is scheduled for September 28th 2019.

NFI donated \$5,000.00 last year to plant trees at the athletic fields. Tom Broadhurst (a member of the fire company) will be planting these trees as part of his Eagle Scout Project. This will give us the opportunity to purchase more trees the originally planned due to saving on labor.

Swim Heidelberg / Lynn / Weisenberg / Lowhill- Jan Sutermeister (7795 Hawk View Road) addressed the board with an update on the community pool proposal near Northwestern Lehigh Middle School. She stated that they signed the articles of corporation today to be a non-profit. They will be hosting (2) informational meetings for residents to ask questions this Friday and Saturday at New Life Church.

NEW BUSINESS:

Motion was made by Linda Gorgas, seconded by Richard Bleiler to advertise for the 2019-2020 road materials and a paving project on Kecks and New Smithville Road. Motion carried. These bids will be opened April 8th and tentatively awarded at the next board meeting scheduled for April 8th 2019.

Resolution # 19-5 to allow for an escalator clause for bituminous material was approved by motion made by Anthony Werley, seconded by Richard Bleiler. Motion carried.

Resolution #2019-6 accepting the addition of 43.58 acres into the existing Township's Agricultural Security Area for Benson F. Stettler ET AL was adopted by motion made by Richard Bleiler and seconded by Anthony Werley. Motion carried.

Resolution #2019-7 accepting the addition of 22.962 acres into the existing Township's Agricultural Security Area for Scott & Susan Kinney was adopted by motion made by Anthony Werley and seconded by Richard Bleiler. Motion carried.

3 grass cutting quotes were received for the baseball field and the multi-purpose fields. The lowest bidder was PA Lawn & Landscape at \$405.00./cut for the baseball field and multi-

purpose fields. (Cutting will be “as needed” due to weather.) Motion was made by Richard Bleiler, seconded by Anthony Werley to accept the quote from PA Lawn & Landscaping to cut the ballfield and multi-purpose fields for the 2019 season. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

WEISENBERG VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT’S COMMENTS:

Matt Krapf, Deputy Fire Chief, informed the board that they had 38 calls for the year 2019. They are currently having a hoagie sale with a delivery date of April 4th. Open house is scheduled for May 11th. There will not be an Easter Egg Hunt this year. The fire company received a donated sea can container that they will be using for fire training. 5131 is back in service after the repair/maintenance work was completed. HVAC repairs and CO Alarm systems updates need to be done at the station. Motion made by Richard Bleiler, seconded by Anthony Werley to approve the cost of \$8,300.00 to repair the HVAC system at the fire station. Motion carried. The CO Alarm system was included in their 2019 budget. I-78 construction work has started. It seems that PennDOT has been making some additional attempt to help during the last couple of snow storms. The fire company discussed calls regarding animal rescue. These will be handled on a case by case basis and deferred to Lehigh County CART when necessary.

EAC COMMENTS:

None

ROADMASTER’S COMMENTS:

Anthony Werley informed the Board that boom mowing is almost complete throughout the Township. They are performing winter maintenance, fixing equipment and hopefully getting ready for street sweeping once we are out of snow mode. Installing a section of guide railing will hopefully be done in the next couple of weeks on New Smithville Road if the weather breaks. We once again put in for 1,000 tons of salt through Costars for 2019-2020.

ENGINEER’S COMMENTS:

Stan Wojciechowski informed the board that no other field work was done at Morgan Hills since the last meeting. West Hills Lot 4B & 4C Transportation Impact Study was reviewed and submitted to PennDOT. There is nothing new to report on the bike path project. As part of the PADEP permit process for the New Smithville Road culvert, Barry Isett’s office reviewed the DEP mapping and requested a PNDI of the site. Willow Run is a tributary to the Mill Creek, which is classified as a trout stocked stream in Berks County. Therefore, DEP may mandate that the culvert replacement occur after June 15th. The PNDI request returned that the wetlands in this area are likely habitat for the Bog Turtle. They will go out this week and assess the area for Bog Turtle habitat.

Discussion was held regarding Phase 2, of the West Hills development as it’s nearing the end of the 18 Month Maintenance Period. Barry Isett’s office conducted a punch list for the improvement needed. They will be notifying West Hills of their inspection. Katem Court is also near the end of their 18 Month Maintenance Period and a punch list was conducted on this as well. The Developer has submitted legal descriptions for Katem Court and drainage easements that are to be dedicated to the Township. These descriptions are acceptable and have been forwarded to Peter Lehr.

ATTORNEY’S COMMENTS:

Peter Lehr added to the engineer’s comments that he spoke to Morgan Hill’s attorney (Trisha M. Majumdar). Mrs. Majumdar spoke with her client and they did not request preparation of the

Improvements Agreement at this time but will hopefully supply cost estimate to the Township engineer soon. Peter Lehr was contacted by Kate Tercha to prepare the final documents for the Township to take over Katem Court since her 18 month maintenance period is coming to an end. He will have this for the Board to review next month.

TREASURER'S COMMENTS:

The Board reviewed the statement submitted by Jeff Struass since he was unable to attend tonight's meeting and had no additional comments. We received the liquid fuels money in the amount of \$373,434.00 on March 4th.

SUPERVISOR'S COMMENTS:

Richard Bleiler stated that there is nothing new to report regarding the Veterans Memorial project.

There will be a walk-around meeting held on Saturday, March 16th @ 8 am at the Northwestern Lehigh REC Fields to discuss the Walking Trail project and to take a look at what needs to be done to the fields this spring. There was also damage done recently to the fields and they are trying to find out who did it.

Discussion was held regarding the escrow amounts collected by developers when they submit for Subdivisions and Land Developments. After review of several previous projects it was determined that the initial escrow of \$1,000.00 upon submittal for Major Subdivision and Land Development plans should be increased to \$5,000.00. (Minor Subdivision plan escrow amount will remain at \$1,000.00.) Motion to adopt **Resolution # 19-8** revising the fee schedule was made by Anthony Werley, seconded by Richard Bleiler to increase the required escrow amounts on Major Subdivisions and Land Development plans to \$5,000.00 effective as of today's date. Motion carried.

Anthony Werley informed the Board that he attended the 6 Township Meeting this morning held at North Whitehall Township. Anthony Werley requested permission to bid on a used truck Upper Macungie has out for bid. Permission was granted by the Board.

SECRETARY / ADMINISTRATOR'S COMMENTS:

Brian Carl informed the board that there will be (2) items before the Zoning Hearing Board this month on Wednesday March 13th. The first one is Mr. & Mrs. Allen requesting a special exception for a commercial stable for horses. Mrs. Allen is a therapist for horses and she is requesting to have other horses there besides her own for therapy. The second request is a variance from the front yard setback for Mr. & Mrs. Furman to install a porch roof over their front door.

The board reviewed the AG-385 form for our pension contributions and Fireman's relief. Approval was granted for the electronic signature of Linda Gorgas for submittal.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

None

With no further business, Linda Gorgas adjourned the meeting at 7:39 pm for the payment of invoices presented and approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Brian C. Carl
Secretary