

March 9, 2020

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, Peter Lehr and Jeff Strauss.

Minutes of the February 10th, 2020 Board of Supervisors meeting were approved by motion of Anthony Werley seconded by Richard Bleiler. Motion carried.

The treasurer's reports of February 29, 2020 as well as payment of current invoices presented were approved by motion of Richard Bleiler, seconded by Anthony Werley. Motion carried.

Weisenberg Township

Treasurer Report

February 29, 2020

General Fund Expenses	2/01/20 – 2/13/20	79,139.32
General Fund Expenses	2/11/20 – 2/29/20	33,449.59
State Fund Expenses	2/10/20	19,125.22
Equipment Fund Expenses	2/10/20	-

	<u>Balance as 2/29/2020</u>
General Fund Checking	2,194,456.87
General Fund – CD	726,434.69
State Fund Checking	-
State Fund Money Market	55,723.75
Equipment Fund Money Market	213,346.30
Arcadia Industrial Park Signalization Fund	49,339.27
Recreation Fund	12,587.94
Fire Equipment Fund	49,520.14
Fire Equipment Fund – CD	200,187.74
Miscellaneous Escrow Fund	-
Road Swap Money Market	0.00
General Fund – CD Traffic Signalization	80,736.44
Capital Projects Fund	175,849.37
Conservation District Fund	13,770.96
Open Space Money Market Fund	5,003.04
Open Space Fund – CD	5,125.35
Yard Waste Money Market Fund	65,039.40
Yard Waste Recycling Fund – CD	<u>66,629.50</u>
Total Assets	3,913,750.76

VISA Account Reconciliation – Brian

Beginning Balance	1,014.68
Payments	(1,014.68)

Purchases

USPS - Postage	11.10
1&1 – Internet email	59.68
Lathem Time	39.00
Treetop Products (Posts for walking trail)	64.82
UCC Permit Fees	108.00
DEP Storage Tank Fee	50.00
Parking	<u>2.00</u>

1,715.97

Ending Balance

1,715.97

VISA Account Reconciliation – Tony

Beginning Balance

Payments

606.19

(606.19)

Purchases

CT Truck Parts	150.00
Amazon – Dresser Loader	<u>27.56</u>

177.56

Ending Balance

177.56

SUBDIVISIONS & LAND DEVELOPMENT:

None

OLD BUSINESS:

We will be having our Electronic recycling event on March 28th 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 October 10th 2020.

Draft Ordinance and Public Notice – A draft ordinance pertaining to Litter/Illegal Dumping was discussed. Motion to advertise was made by Anthony Werley, seconded by Richard Bleiler. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

Road materials for the upcoming 2020-2021 season will be advertised per motion of Linda Gorgas and seconded by Richard Bleiler. These bids will be opened April 13th and awarded at the next board meeting scheduled for April 13th 2020.

Motion made by Richard Bleiler, seconded by Anthony Werley to award a contract to **Midland Asphalt Materials, Inc.** for our portion in the Joint Oil Bid, their low bid on 60,000 gallons for Weisenberg Township was \$2.176 per gallon. Motion carried.

Resolution # 20-10 to allow for an escalator clause for bituminous material was approved by motion made by Anthony Werley, seconded by Richard Bleiler. Motion carried.

Morgan Hills (Seipstown Village) – Request for public improvements escrow reduction in the amount of **\$51,143.46** for a balance of **\$942,899.18** was approved by a motion made by Richard Bleiler and seconded by Anthony Werley. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

WEISENBERG VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT’S COMMENTS:

Matt Krapf, Fire Chief, informed the Board that they had 40 calls for the year 2020. They are currently having a hoagie sale now thru March 24th. The apparatus committee is working on the spec for the replacement of tanker 5121. Members have been repainting the inside of the fire station. A contractor will be repainting the exterior doors, framing and replacing the weather stripping.

The remaining cordless rescue tools are currently being installed on engine 5111 by KME and while it is there for that work the back-up camera will be replaced. They are currently getting quotes for repair work to be completed on the rain gutters and fixing the roof cap on the station. Five (5) new fire fighters just completed their hazmat awareness class and are now scheduled to take their first of four basic firefighting modules. 5101 has been subpoenaed in regards to a traffic accident that happened in January 2017, court date for this is March 18th 2020. We are currently in a burn ban due to dry conditions. We responded to 2 brush fires in Burks.

EAC COMMENTS:

Martin Rakaczewski (2912 Musket Road) chairperson of the EAC thanked the Board for their support. Membership is up in the EAC. We had a volunteer event at Waste Management for residents to learn more about the EAC and about 60 percent of them signed up for emails to support the cause of cleaning up roadside litter. Brian Carl was present to answer questions for residents as well. New Smithville Diner had (2) overflowing dumpsters that the company refused to pick up after the service contract was cancelled. Marty reported that this was finally picked up. They will be having a regional EAC meeting next week with other municipalities. The Township picked up 94 tires that were dumped illegally on a resident’s property over the course of many years. They had three clean-up events over the past month and picked up about 20 yards of trash along the road. The Earth Day event is scheduled and the Northwestern Press has been kind enough to come out and will write an article to make people aware of what the EAC is doing. Brian is going to coordinate sections of roads within the Township as people contact us regarding picking up trash along township roads. He will be looking at getting supplies such as vests, gloves and bags donated if possible.

ROADMASTER’S COMMENTS:

Anthony Werley informed the Board that the road crew removed the snow fencing and have been cold patching around the Township. Boom mowing continues to be performed and they have demoed (2) loaders for consideration as we are looking to replace the current one. They also have been cleaning up the storage yard at the maintenance building. They will be getting ready for spring activities shortly.

ENGINEER’S COMMENTS:

Stan Wojciechowski informed the Board they have determined that the size of the culvert on Valley Road will span 16’ and have reached out to a manufacturer for design information. Notice of Termination from LCCD was received on Katem Court. The developer still has not

responded to our punch list of items. The 18 month maintenance period will expire soon on Hunt Meadows so a final inspection will be scheduled. We will be having a busy Planning Commission later this month because we anticipate Dunkin Donuts and Sheetz to be on the agenda.

ATTORNEY’S COMMENTS:

None

TREASURER’S COMMENTS:

Jeff supplied the Board with his report by email today. A correction to the employee handbook to add “grandparents” to the list for bereavement was made by motion of Richard Bleiler, seconded by Anthony Werley. Motion carried. A motion was made by Anthony Werley, seconded by Richard Bleiler to move \$750,000.00 into an 11 month CD with New Tripoli Bank at a rate of 1.9%. Motion carried.

SUPERVISOR’S COMMENTS:

Anthony Werley stated that he attended the 6 Township meeting this morning and everyone was pleased with the mild winter we had. Linda Gorgas stated that the REC Commission will have its normal walk around the fields at the end of this month.

SECRETARY / ADMINISTRATOR’S COMMENTS:

Brian informed the Board that he received a plan regarding a development on Albright Road. They would need zoning relief to have a wedding venue as it is not an approved use. The Board made no comments until they hear from Maxatawny Township as the driveway comes out onto their road and the buildings would be in Weisenberg Township. Brian received a call from Foley Caterpillar wanting to apply for zoning relief because they are looking to purchase a lot on Old 22 and move their operation there. Discussion was held regarding the process and fees of E&S plan reviews. Brian suggested an increase in fees from \$220.00 to \$350.00. An increase in the fee would cover additional time for our engineer to review the plan and would reduce the amount of denied plans that need to be resubmitted. It would allow our engineer additional time to provide “conditions of approval” to meet the ordinance requirements and save time for the applicant. Motion made by Anthony Werley, seconded by Richard Bleiler to revise our Fee Schedule to reflect this increase. Motion carried. Motion made by Richard Bleiler, seconded by Anthony Werley to have PA Lawn & Landscaping slit seed the athletic fields on Bachelor Road for \$2,075.00. Motion carried. Motion made by Anthony Werley, seconded by Richard Bleiler to install a security system at the office. They will also install smoke detector/CO detectors in some of the common rooms. Work will be performed by Alert Security. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

None

With no further business, Linda Gorgas adjourned the meeting at 7:54 pm for the payment of invoices presented and approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Brian C. Carl
Secretary