

MARION TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS MEETING February 7, 2019 at the Township Building

Present: Archie Gettig Jr., Tanner Day, John (Rick) Dillon (Attended by telephone) and Angel Emery

Guests: Herb Chapman, Phil Lucas, Mark Ott, Nathan Stoltzfus, Greg and Carol Day, Collin Alterio, Josh Collins, Brian McCauley (Tax Collector), Rich Moyle, Jim Sampsel, David Emery Jr., Tim Weight (Zoning Officer)

Chairman Gettig, called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

On a motion by Gettig and 2nd by Day, motion passed to approve January 7, 2019 meeting minutes as presented 2-0 (Dillon was not present at January Meeting)

On a motion by Dillon and 2nd by Day, motion passed to approve the January 7, 2019 Reorganization Minutes as presented 2-0. (Dillon was not present at Reorganization Meeting)

Public Comments: Henry Surveys presented subdivision plans for John and Becky Esh and explained the plans to the board. The plans have been signed by SEO, Stan Wallace as well as Marion Township's Zoning Officer, Tim Weight and the Marion Township Planning Commission. Gettig questioned what size pipe would be used, the discussion resulted in the Board approving the plans. **On a motion by Gettig and 2nd by Day, motion passed to approve the presented plans for John D. and Becky B. Esh and Robert and Connie Salvanish 3-0.** Gettig signed DEP Planning Module and instructed Emery to send information of the Fee-in-Lieu of.

Howard Fire Company- Discussion was held about the heat, insulation etc. at the building at the park being used as a substation for the fire company. The fire company presented an estimate of around \$9,000 to heat and insulate, if the township will pay supplies, the fire company will provide the labor. The fire company has the opportunity to purchase a used rescue unit for a good price but want to make sure they will have access to the building. Having a substation in the township should help reduce insurance for residents, it will also help improve response time immensely. A lease will need to be drawn up, the fire company will send an email with their ideas outlined for the township to look over. **On a motion by Dillon and 2nd by Gettig, motion passed to allow Howard Fire Company to put substation in Marion Township at 119 Weights Lane 3-0.**

Brief discussion was held about the FAT, no decisions were made at this time.

Carol Day inquired about the solicitor's progress with Zito Media. It was brought to the board's attention that five channels have been out for an extended period of time. Brian McCauley would like to see some additional information added to the website regarding the missing channels.

Old Business:

Sand Ridge Pipe Replacement- Could be until August until permits are ready for this project. **On a motion by Gettig and 2nd by Day, motion passed to send a thank you to the Centre County Commissioners for granting the \$20,000 for the pipe project as well as to Mike Bloom and his assistant 3-0.**

Zito Media- Information will be placed on the website for residents to contact Zito regarding missing channels to receive credit on their accounts

Nittany Ridge- Gettig mentioned that a state trooper will be in the area of Nittany Ridge after receiving complaints of speeding. The board would like to see Franson do a speed study. Gettig was also informed by the trooper he spoke to the let the public know that an individual has been arrested for thefts in the area, if you are missing anything please contact the state police.

New Business:

Rich Moyle, EMC- Nothing additional to report at this time

Nittany Valley Joint Planning Commission- Discussed HB 2564, Gettig wants to forward to the Planning Commission to see how they wish to act on the matter.

Planning Commission- Still discussing overlay district, went over and approved the plan for the Esh property

Park & Rec- Day reported that they will be applying for the DCNR grant to get the walking trail put in. Gettig mentioned that the keys have finally been returned from Nittany Valley Little League. Gettig would like Day to look in to previous agreements that were in place with the ball team.

Zoning Report- Normal zoning activity, mobile home park fee has been received. Addressed a shed being built in the township with no permit, no response received, next step will be to send a certified letter.

Head Road Master Report- Gettig reported and thanked the Marion Township employees for all their hard work.

Rylind Construction- An agreement has been received from Michael Force regarding the trailer being placed at the township building for the Lick Run project. Rylind Construction will pay \$200/month for lot rent and pay electricity from March through December tentatively. **On a motion by Gettig and 2nd by Day, motion passed to approve the proposal from Rylind Construction 3-0.** Gettig mentioned that they will need an approved dump site to dump broken concrete, dirt and rocks.

Bellefonte Area High School- The senior awards were presented. **On a motion by Day and 2nd by Gettig, motion passed to return the forms to the high school for the 2019 senior awards and retain monetary values that the township has provided in past years 3-0.**

Costars Salt Contract- **On a motion by Gettig and 2nd by Day, motion passed to join Costars salt contract with the same tonnage as last year 3-0.**

Jacksonville Festival- Gettig proposed donating to the Jacksonville Festival and/or allowing the use of the township building for food storage at no charge. **On a motion by Gettig and 2nd by Day, motion passed to donate \$100 to the Jacksonville Festival and also the use of the township building for 3 or 4 days for fruit baskets 3-0.**

Exit 163 Interchange Area- PennDOT contacted Gettig regarding the red lights, there are going to be some changes made including no more cables and moving the stop block on the Bellefonte side. Discussion was held about SR26 towards the east bound right of way fence. The board discussed sending a letter to Tom Zilla asking to run SR26 the whole way to the right of fence in case of future expansion. **On a motion by Gettig and 2nd by Dillon, motion passed to send a letter to Tom Zilla to make sure when the road goes from 26 to the East bound off ramp, the road goes the whole way to the right of way fence to Walker Township to allow for expansion later 3-0.**

Roadmaster Wages- Gettig stated that he made a mistake when figuring the wages for the road masters at the reorganization meeting. The township is very grateful for the employees we have and wants to see them compensated fairly. **On a motion by Gettig and 2nd by Dillon, motion passed to increase the road master hourly wage to \$15.50 per hour 3-0.**

Other Discussion Items:

On a motion by Gettig and 2nd by Day, motion passed to pay the Tax Collector's postage bill as presented 3-0.

Gettig read the minutes from the Auditor's meeting, also referred to the PSATS article which stated that the only role of the elected auditor's, if a CPA is doing the big audit, is to approve compensation for any/all working supervisors, the budget and treasurer's bond were not required for review.

Brian McCauley mentioned to the supervisors that he felt it took the secretary too long to deposit his previous check. Individual checks are not taken for deposit, the secretary saves the township mileage charges by waiting until there are a few checks ready for deposit.

On a motion by Gettig and 2nd by Day, motion passed to approve the treasurer's report and pay bills with the additions 3-0.

Motion to adjourn at 9:05 p.m.

Treasurers Report: including the list of checks written to date for approval with Treasurer's report. (Some checks were mailed and the balance is being presented for signatures at this meeting). Checks listed above are from January 8, 2019 through February 7, 2019. Check numbers and the amounts are on the listings and it will be included with the official minutes for filing. Additional checks written after the above dates may be presented for approval at the monthly meetings. The above additional checks will be included again on the monthly listing for approval at the following months meeting.

PLEASE NOTE ALL BALANCES BELOW ARE AFTER ALL CHECKS LISTED IN ABOVE REPORT HAVE BEEN WRITTEN.

General ---- \$115,408.51	State liquid fuels fund-- \$22,006.54
Park Fee-In-Lieu ---- \$4,111.75	State Equipment Fund-- \$26,710.90

Archie Gettig Jr., Chairman

Angel Emery, Secretary/Treasurer

John R. Dillon, Vice-Chairman

Tanner Day, Supervisor