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**Marion Township Board of Supervisors Meeting Held May 12, 2022 at the Township Building**

**Present:** Archie Gettig Jr., John (Rick) Dillon, Herbert Chapman and Angel Emery

**Solicitor:** Mark Lingousky

**Guests:** Lisa Hovies, Tim Weight, and Brian McCauley (Tax Collector)

**Meeting Called to Order at 7:30 p.m. by Chairman Gettig.**

**Chapman made a motion to approve April 14, 2022 BOS meeting minutes as presented, 2nd by Dillon, motion passed 3-0.**

**Public Comment:** None.

**Old Business:**

**NVLL**- Foundation for new building is dug and stoned.

**New Business:**

**Rich Moyle, EMC/Howard Fire Company**- Not present. Nothing to report.

**Nittany Valley Joint Planning Commission**- No May meeting, cancelled. Gettig attended CCATO, next year donate to scholarship, fall convention possibly October 25th.

Gettig also wanted to not a few things that didn’t get discussed at last months meeting. Liquid Fuels payment was received in the amount of $42,723.22. Also a safety dividend check was received from Teeter Group in the amount of $2,141.76.

**Planning Commission**- Dillon discussed changing ordinance around to allow for garage, spoke with solicitor to make some additions to what is allowed as a conditional use. Board of Supervisors will draw up conditional use contract, solicitor will write something up for Board of Supervisors and Planning Commissions comments, then adjust as necessary.

Solar energy was discussed, solar and wind ordinance is usually done in one ordinance. Dillon would like to see it for lease situations. Solicitor will work on that as well. There was discussion about making sure farmers are protected under the ordinance to use for their farms if they wish to do so. Solicitor will send draft ordinance to Planning Commission secretary for the Planning Commission to review and discuss.

**Park and Rec-** Gettig reported the garbage cans are out at the park, everything is done. Bull pens are not being taken care of again by NVLL like agreed upon but the township mowed. **On a motion by Dillon and 2nd by Chapman motion passed to purchase bark mulch for around the trees that were planted 3-0.** Gettig is going to do the trees first then the playground.

Discussion was held about vehicles blocking substation during ball games. **Chapman made a motion to put “no parking, will be towed at owners expense” signs at the park around the substation, Dillon seconded and motion passed 3-0.** Gettig will contact Rich’s Amaco regarding the towing. **Chapman motioned to contact NVLL letting them know about signs and towing Gettig seconded and motion passed 3-0.**

**Zoning Report**- The mobile home park fee for late payments was discussed, Weight messaged Louis awhile back but hasn’t heard back. Mark (from Louis Glantz’s Office) was brought up to date on the issue by Weight. Mark agrees a late fee could be implemented; he will look at the ordinance.

Mobile home park and concerns about clean drinking water were discussed, Mark is going to look more in to that and what the township can do to make sure residents are getting clean drinking water.

Weight noted that the ag produce stand is finalized, sewage is completed, Weight had no more issues after the sewage issues were taken care of. Gettig requested the entrance/exit be two vehicles wide and that has been taken care of.

Road naming was discussed for the new I-80 access road, Marion Road, Oak Lane, and Walt Road were all offered, Tim will forward the requested names to county 911 addressing.

**Head Road Master Report**- Gettig mentioned that “25 mph” sign is going in to Foothills, reflectors were also placed. Gettig briefed everyone on what was done within the township for the month of April.

Gettig checked Walnut Ridge after a resident contacted the township office, the pipe was clear full. Gettig wants to contact Don Franson to come make a recommendation to remedy the problem. **On a motion by Chapman and 2nd by Gettig, motion passed to have Don Franson come make a recommendation on what to do with the pipe 3-0.**

Two poles were installed and West Penn moved power at the Slaughter House Road intersection. Emery has been trying to figure out who the other wires belong to, Comcast/Xfinity has been contacted to no avail.

Sunbelt account has been established with tax exemption for future rentals.

Gettig won’t be here Wednesday and Thursday of next week due to a death in the family, Dillon will be in charge while Gettig is gone.

Gettig mentioned a deal he made with PennDOT to let them store material for tar and chipping at the township park, then whatever is left will belong to the township.

Gettig discussed Stuckey Ford, he never had a problem when it was Joel Confer. Township received a bill for a little over $500 but never received a work order on what was done to the truck. Wait times are much longer now too, Gettig has complained a few times about issues to the company. He took the truck in because the gauges were not working properly. The Stuckey never provided any paperwork on what work they completed. As far as Gettig is concerned he’s done dealing with them and would like to change to Murray Motors in Lock Haven. **On a motion by Chapman and 2nd by Gettig, motion passed to send check for bill and address it to John Stuckey himself with a letter with complaints and letting him know the township will no longer be using his services 3-0.**

The addition to the building at the park is on hold until Brian Chilton gets back to us with more information.

**Gettig made a motion to amend the agenda to add the salt building quote Dillon seconded and motion passed 3-0.**

**Gettig made a motion to accept the quote received for the salt shed in the amount of $12,600 Chapman seconded and motion passed 3-0.**

Blade quotes were reviewed, blades from Dotterer’s are manual and it could take up to two years to get them. Gettig got a quote from Weldon’s as well since Dillon mentioned getting a quote for a power one, they quoted him at $2,079 that’s with hydraulic cylinders. **Chapman motioned to purchase a power angle woods blade from Weldon equipment in Julian for $2,079 2nd by Dillon and motion passed 3-0.**

**Noise and Junk Ordinances**- Chapman and Weight reported that the ordinance does not fit zoning for Foot Hills because the ordinance is old and needs to be updated. Discussion of the current ordinance and its inability to really be enforced was discussed. Solicitor recommended to keep contacting the police as it’s a criminal issue. **Chapman motioned to send letter to state police that numerous complaints from the same area are being received by the township to Pennsylvania State Police Group Dillon seconded and motion passed 3-0.**

Gettig questioned the junk ordinance and who can have a junk yard in the township. Gettig’s concern is about vehicles on farms that aren’t licensed falling under the junk ordinance and it isn’t fair. He would like to see the ordinance redone as it is out dated. Gettig would like the planning commission to look at the ordinance. Weight mentioned that too many of the township’s ordinances look more like city ordinances than rural area ordinances.

Gettig discussed the letter that was received from PennDOT stating that the state police are to enforce the weight restrictions as they are not an enforcing agency. **Gettig motioned to send letter to PA State Police regarding letter received from PennDOT, Chapman seconded and motion passed 3-0.**

**Mailbox-** The mailbox issue was discussed, the solicitor suggested amending mailbox ordinance.The Solicitor will type something up and send it to the township. **Dillon motioned to have the solicitor send a letter to the land owner regarding the mailbox Chapman seconded and motion passed 3-0.**

**Community Yard Sale-** A community yard sale was discussed by Marcella Hoffman. Gettig spoke with members from the Jacksonville Festival committee regarding having the community yard sale during the Jacksonville Festival and they seemed ok with it for the most part. Chapman agrees that the third weekend in July, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday would work well.

Gettig noted that the state will be seal coating on SR26 clear into Howard and SR1010, this will be done over to Rt.64.

The solicitor has been working on the Zito internet issues and has provided petitions for the willing residents to take around for signatures.

**Gettig motioned to accept and pay the bills as presented, Dillon seconded and motion passed 3-0.**

**Motion to Adjourn at 9:49 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 April 15, 2022 through May 5, 2022. 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 ---- $140,389.62 State liquid fuels fund-- $145,247.12

Park Fund ---- $2,447.71 State Equipment Fund--$21,837.32

ARP Funds --- $66,464.95 Building Fund Reserve- $91,274.00

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Archie Gettig Jr., Head Chairman

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 John (Rick) Dillon, Vice-Chairman

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 Hebert Chapman, Supervisor