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**Marion Township Board of Supervisors Meeting Held June 8, 2023 at the Township Building**

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

**Guests:** Dave Rosendale, Chantal Fogarty, Brian McCauley (Tax Collector), James Weaver, Maggie Weaver, Don Franson, Tim Weight and Daniel Glick

Meeting was called to order at 7:37 p.m. by Chairman Gettig at followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**On a motion by Dillon and 2nd by Chapman , motion passed to approve May 11, 2023 Board of Supervisors meeting minutes with the change to the amount for the mini excavator rental 3-0.**

**OPENING OF THE BIDS FOR SLAUGHTERHOUSE ROAD REALIGNMENT PROJECT at 7:37**

Two bids were received.

The first bid was from HRI, Inc. Don Franson reviewed to make sure the requirements were met, the total bid was $55,050.

The next bid was from Bowman Excavation, Paving and Concrete out of Bellefonte, PA. Mr. Franson reviewed the bid and the bid was in the amount of $50,894.75.

The original estimate was for around $37,000 but Franson did have to go down a littler further which put it around $40,000 so both are higher than his estimate. Bowman has done a few projects recently for neighboring townships. Franson is familiar with their work and comfortable with their crew. Don would recommend rewarding as long as the budget allows after he reviews the bid tabulations. **On a motion by Gettig and 2nd Chapman by motion passed to conditionally award the bid to Bowman Excavation, Paving and Concrete for the Slaughterhouse Road widening project after Mr. Don Franson’ s review 3-0.**

Gettig asked Emery to notify HRI to let them know that they were not awarded the bid.

**Public Comments:** None.

**OId Business:**

**NVLL-** Just practices right now, not sure when the first game will be.

**Park & Rec** – Walking trail on hold for now. Putting road in at park between the two pipes, will need mini excavator about 3- or 4-days next week, united rental said it can be rented again for the same amount as last time. **On a motion by Gettig and 2nd by Chapman, motion passed to rent the mini excavator for another week 3-0.**

**Garage on Nittany Ridge-** Waiting to hear back from solicitor.

**Community Yard Sale-** BOS reviewed yard sale form for rental space at park, Gettig recommended changing it to Marion Township instead of Panik park. Hoffman will make any necessary changes to the form. Dillon had questioned what if someone leaves all their stuff there, form does say all vendors must clean up their area but can put in more wording to protect the township if necessary. Hoffman is willing to go out with the township to mark out spots and create a map for the park so people know where they’re supposed to be. The board should consider whether they just want yard sale items or want to allow crafts and/or food items. Discussion was held about food items or just do yard sale this year. Chapman recommended keeping it simple this year, just yard sale, baked goods and crafts but no food vendors. Discussion was held about what it would cost to rent a spot, $10 a spot was decided and to make it cash only to avoid any check issues. Will advertise on Facebook and the website, HFC will bring the sign board over as well. Forms and money should come to the township. Hoffman will work on finalizing the form this weekend. **On a motion by Gettig and 2nd by Chapman motion passed to have Emery help Hoffman out with the community yard sale by collecting forms and money 3-0.**

**New Business:**

**Rich Moyle, EMC/Howard Fire Company-** Rich Moyle not present.

**Nittany Valley Joint Planning Commission**- Meeting was May 18th, not much going on. Gettig reported he also met with Scott Rhoat regarding funding. Next NVJPC will be July 20th at Marion Township.

**Planning Commission**- Dave Rosendale reported the only thing they discussed was the David and Rachel Glick 2 lot subdivision.

**Park & Rec-** People were fixing the fence at the bullpen, park has been well taken care of by NVLL this year compared to years past.

**Zoning Report**-.Weight reported business as usual. Last week there has been a ramp up of requests for commercial interest by the interchange, Weight has told them it is agricultural.

**Head Road Master Report**- Gettig reported, sweeping was finished, kioti had some problems but it is now straightened out. A pipe was installed at the substation. Swept a parking lot at walker township in exchange for the use of their mini excavator.

**Rabbit Hill Road-** Mr. and Mrs. Weaver presented paperwork that was left in their mailbox on Memorial Day. Mr. Weaver has heard from a few neighbors about oil marks, they are from the garbage truck not him. Has hauled numerous loads of stone to try to prevent the mud from coming out of the road, there are sometimes mud tracks but not clumps of mud. Chapman stated whoever is putting this stuff in their mailbox is an idiot and a bully, the Weaver’s are doing nothing wrong by trying to make a living and provide for their family. They have seen a neighbor coming out of their driveway, they wanted to make sure they aren’t doing anything wrong, which the board told them they are not.

**Betterment Project-** On June 6th there was a meeting at the park with PennDOT. They’re going to start to try to install poles, most of the right of ways are done. The tentative let date is November 23rd. There’s still not a final decision on the one-way detour yet, once more detail is received Gettig will present it at a meeting. Once they award the contracts, there will be a meeting with the contractor regarding emergency response. Next April is the tentative start date.

**Uhler and Associates- On a motion by Dillon and 2nd by Chapman motion passed to approve and sign the David S. and Rachel F. Glick 2 lot subdivision sewage module 3-0.**

**Exit 161 Bellefonte Interchange Improvements Project-** Paperwork was reviewed. Dillon questioned if they’re ever going to sit and talk with the township officials regarding this project. The board would like an update and more information. Will try to schedule something in the fall. **On a motion by Gettig and 2nd by Chapman motion passed to tentatively approve the paperwork from Skully and Loy but the township would like a sit down meeting 3-0.**

**Other Discussion Items:**

Thank you received from Lorna Dixon for the academic achievement award.

Chapman spoke to Mr. Bressler on Beech Bottom regarding some work he would like to do, some being in the township right of way. Chapman and Gettig will go look at the ditch he wants to clean out and where he wants to add pipe and a few other things he would like to do.

Brian McCauley questioned if anyone at the township heard about a very large drone hovering over in Marion Township on the evening of Memorial Day. Rosendale recommended going to the FAA’s website regarding drones

**On a motion by Chapman and 2nd by Gettig, motion passed to accept and pay bills as presented 3-0.**

**Motion to adjourn 8:54 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 May 12, 2023 through June 8, 2023. 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 ---- $93,882.77 State liquid fuels fund-- $139,290.63

Park Fund ---- $3,904.31 Act 13 Funds- $4,024.79

Building Fund Reserve- $95,838.00 State Equipment Fund--$6,159.42

FNB General Acct--- $12,145.55 FNB Money Market Acct- $11,376.29

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Archie Gettig Jr., Head Chairman

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Herbert Chapman, Vice-Chairman

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John (Rick) Dillon, Supervisor