

# Wayne Township

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The Wayne Township Supervisors 1418 Wampum Road, Ellwood City, PA 16117 held its monthly Supervisor Board Meeting, Thursday, December 6, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

Meeting opened with the "**Pledge of Allegiance**" and a "**Moment of Silence**" lead by Chairman/Supervisor, Bill Hepler. Others in attendance were Supervisor, Rick Weingartner; and Secretary/Treasurer, Shari D. Baney, Attorney Ryan Long. Absent: Charles Hutchison

Motion was made by Hepler to **Approve November, 2018 Minutes**. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Weingartner. All in favor.

**Guests in Attendance:** Joe Taranto, Roger Stramba, Tootie Welsh, Chase Laszlo, Lisa Czerpak, Tom Masters, Bill Miles, Norma Guy, Barb and Larry Jacobs, Anthony Woloszyn and Roger Baney.

## PUBLIC INPUT:

**Tootie Welsh** asked if the supervisors would address the \$100.00 per month they are paying the Animal Control Officer. Welsh stated "she" has not made one call this year. The pay used to be by the call, now we are paying a retainer. Supervisor discussed, Weingartner in favor of keeping the current Animal Control saying "who is going to do it"? Hepler said they will address at the re-org and in the meantime one of the supervisors will contact concerning availability. Welsh also wanted to address the cleaning person saying we pay about \$65.00 an hour. She would like to bid on the job. Hepler said they are going to discuss putting the cleaning job out for bid at re-org and then Welsh would be able to bid on it.

**Bill Miles** stated Smith Street is a nightmare. Hepler stated; "from what I'm told that road is not ours". Miles rhetorically replied then "who does it belong to". Roger Stramba stated we get no Liquid Fuels for the street and we are not allowed to maintain it with the money we get. I know it may have been done in the past but that doesn't make it right. Norma Guy said, they were just there today and graded it. Hepler reiterated "we are not allowed to use Liquid Fuel money for that road". David Jacobs said, send a bunch of guys up with shovels and rakes, I don't care how you fix it, we need it fixed, don't tell me about your Liquid. Stramba stated he went up the other day with the backhoe and graded, residents corrected him, and it was today. Several back and forth on road ownership, Hepler stated again it does not belong to the township. Long said the proper question to ask is will the township adopt the road. Long went on to explain the township would need to adopt the street by Ordinance. Miles said that is the same answer he has gotten for 12 years, you always talk about it but never do anything. Much discussion on material put on the road in the past. Hepler asked what we have to do to get this started. Long said we need the dimensions, have the Engineer get the road specifics and dimensions, then advertise. Stramba asked if he can plow the roads in the meantime, because they are taxpayers. Supervisors stated he could.

**Lisa Czerpak** said at the Auditor meeting this year insurance compensation was discussed. Czerpak asked if the Auditors are allowed to give compensation. Long replied the auditors are allowed to set wages for working supervisors but insurance is outside the purview of the auditors.

**Tootie Welsh** asked if it is possible to enact an Ordinance for the supervisor situation we are currently in. Long replied we are pre-empted by state law. Welsh asked if this is theft of taxpayer's money. Czerpak asked how the

supervisors would conduct business with only two present. Long stated they can still vote on everything and nominate each other or themselves.

**Anthony Woloszyn** inquired what on the status of the Police Chief. Hepler stated Chief Betz is back to work at CYS and hopes to get his clearance to return to the township soon.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Streetlight request from Jody McGill of Eidenmiller Lane. Hepler told her he would check into the requirements.

Supervisor Reorg meeting Monday 1/07/19 @ 10:00 a.m.

Auditor Reorg meeting Tuesday 1/08/19 @ 10:00 a.m.

Planning Reorg meeting Tuesday 1/08/19 @ 5:00 p.m.

Motion for Reorg meeting times by Hepler 2<sup>nd</sup> Weingartner

Lt. Chris Hardy questioned about assistance during Emergency Response. Hardy cited the storm damage on Squaw Run road that brought electric lines down. Hepler said they would take it under advisement and said they will check with Emergency Management.

Christmas Party will be held on Friday December 21<sup>st</sup> @ 10:00 a.m.. Finger food will be provided.

Weingartner motioned to approve the 2019 Budget, Hepler 2<sup>nd</sup>. All in Favor.

Weingartner motioned to approve a resolution to hire Ken Herrmann as the township CPA for 2018, Hepler 2<sup>nd</sup>. All in favor.

Hepler reviewed the International Maintenance code due to citizens requesting the township repair the ruts in front their mailboxes. General agreement it is not the township responsibility to make these type repairs.

**Approval of Financial Reports** from the following ledgers: General, Water, Light, Building/Equipment, and Liquid Fuels, Motion Weingartner 2<sup>nd</sup> Hepler. Motion carried.

**Approval to Pay the Bills** – Weingartner motioned Hepler 2<sup>nd</sup>, all in favor.

**Solicitor Report:** Nothing

**Motion to adjourn:** Weingartner 2<sup>nd</sup> Hepler.

Submitted by

Shari D. Baney

Secretary/Treasurer