

# Wayne Township

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The Wayne Township Supervisors 1418 Wampum Road, Ellwood City, PA 16117 held its monthly meeting, Thursday November 5, 2020 at 7:00 p.m., at the Wayne Township Firehall in order to observe the social distance requirements mandated by the State.

Meeting opened with the " **Pledge of Allegiance**" and a "**Moment of Silence**" led by Chairman/Supervisor, Bill Hepler.

**Officers in attendance were** Supervisor – William Hepler, Chairman  
Supervisor – Richard Weingartner, Vice Chairman  
Secretary/Treasurer – Shari D. Baney  
Attorney Ryan Long

**Absent:** Supervisor – Charles B. Hutchison

**Visitors in Attendance:** Roger Stramba, Tootie Welsh, Lenore Bazzichi, Joe Taranto, Samantha Laszlo and Roger Baney.

Motion was made by Hepler to approve the October 1, 2020 Meeting Minutes. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Weingartner. All in favor.

**PUBLIC INPUT: Lenore Bazzichi** gave a follow up report on Rte. 351 saying the one trailer has been cleaned up. Bazzichi questioned if a letter had been sent to the owner of the other trailer in question. Hepler said all properties being discussed are in the magistrate's hands. Stramba said he had been asked to go pick up the couches but he checked with the Police Officers, Long cut in and said unless there is an ordinance he should not unless there is permission from the property owner. The International Property Code will supersede the ordinances once adopted. Long said they could reach out to the property owner for written permission and avoid further action.

**Roger Stramba** said he has received two complaints. The first was the township truck was sitting at Vinnie's restaurant on Halloween night. Stramba said he let the police use the vehicle. The second was about the Chewton Fire Department having kids in car seats in the back of their Emergency Vehicle. Stramba said we pay the insurance so something needs to be said to them. Long interjected that people should file formal complaints to the township and not make them to Stramba. Stramba said the people do not want to get involved. Hepler said he would check with the Chewton Department.

**Tootie Welsh** asked what is going on with the Squaw Run Bridge? Hepler responded "we did not get the money in the full amount" but did receive approximately \$84,000.00, half the amount requested. Hepler said we may have to wait until the first of the year and request for additional funds. Stramba said we could use our Liquid Fuels for next year and not repair any roads.

**Bazzichi** questioned if the seven police officers could help on keeping the trails cleaned and open. Bazzichi invited everyone to Park Gate to see Waterway Conservatory.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

Hepler stated the Budget Workshop Meeting will be Thursday, November 12 at 10 am.

Secretary requested permission to advertise for the Budget so it can be approved in December's meeting. Hepler approved the advertisement 2<sup>nd</sup> Weingartner. All in favor.

**Resolution** approving Herrmann and Loll as the auditors for 2021. Hepler motioned Weingartner 2<sup>nd</sup>. All in Favor

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

Secretary submitted **Resolution #3 of 2020** for the new Demolition Permit. The resolution covers instruction and cost. The \$400 fee will include inspection and administrative fees. Long said it is very important to have this permit to avoid possible asbestos issues with DEP from old buildings. Weingartner motioned to approve Hepler 2<sup>nd</sup>. All in favor.

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

**Approval to Pay the Bills** – Motion by Weingartner 2<sup>nd</sup> Hepler. All in favor.

**Police Report:** 15 Service Calls, 0 accidents, 2 citations, 1 criminal complaint, 1 warrant, 0 animal complaints, 10 traffic stops and 2 court hearings about dumping tires in the township, both individuals found guilty.

Bazzichi said there was an accident in Park Gate and she was trying to figure out how to clean the glass off the road without getting hit by a vehicle. Stramba said he would look into it.

**Solicitor Report:** Long said he advertised the **International Property Maintenance Code** last month for approval this month. Long asked for a motion to enact the **Property Maintenance Code – Ordinance 3 of 2020**. Hepler motioned to approve Weingartner 2<sup>nd</sup>. All in Favor. Long said he did review the code and made changes to fit the township. Long also thanked Shari for a good job binding the agreement and distributing copies.

Long spoke with **Mr. Geminiani** today and emailed M. Waltz proposing a joint meeting Friday November 13, 2020.

The **Hoffmeier Conditional Use** hearing advertisement is prepared. The time and location are 6:45 pm December 3, 2020 preceding the Supervisor meeting. Long asked for a motion to approve advertising two consecutive weeks. The Conditional Use is for a warehouse, no flammable materials. No action taken.

Welsh questioned how or where the pig manure was being stored or disposed of. Long said that should be a point of discussion with Geminiani due to possible DEP issues.

**Supervisor Input:** Hepler said the township has recouped **\$25,395.89** from **the** Lawrence County **Covid Relief Funds** that will go directly into the Wayne Township General Fund.

Weingartner motioned to give **Samantha Lazlo** a **\$1.00/hr. increase**. Hepler 2<sup>nd</sup>. All in favor.

**Motion to Adjourn:** Hepler 2<sup>nd</sup> Weingartner. All in favor.

Submitted by

Shari D. Baney, Secretary/Treasurer