

The Township meeting held on August 4, 2015 at 7:00 PM was called to order and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

### Roll Call of Officers

All members were present; Sec-Treasurer Beverly Henderson, Solicitor Frederick Gieg, Atty. Matthew Gieg, Twp. Engineer Thomas Levine, and Sewer Engineer Christopher Dutrow were present.

### Minutes

A motion was made by James Grove and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kenneth Wertz to accept the meeting minutes of July 7, 2015 and the Treasurer's Report for the month of July as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

General Comments: Mr. Gene Focht was present concerning the flooding off Brush Mountain Rd during the latest heavy rainfall. Mr. Focht felt that the water is unable to make it way to the piping that runs under the roadway due to debris obstruction in the roadway grates, which then forces the water to run over Brush Mountain Rd.

### Old Business:

PA UC Trust Ordinance: A motion was made by James Grove and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kenneth Wertz to adopt the PA UC Group Trust Ordinance 2015-0804 as prepared by Solicitor Gieg and advertise in the Altoona Mirror for the unemployment compensation. The motion passed unanimously.

Penn-Dot Land Acquisition: Due to the fact that the Board of Supervisors would like the monument moved as well as the flag pole to a different location or to acquire the neighbor's property, a motion was made by Kenneth Wertz and 2<sup>nd</sup> by James Grove to table the Penn-Dot Land Acquisitions until contact has been made to Penn Dot with the Boards wishes. The motion passed unanimously.

### New Business:

Pay Est. #2 for Sylvan Hills Phase 3: Based on the recommendation from Engineer Dutrow (Stiffler McGraw & Associates) stating the contactor has 52% of the work completed and approx. 57% of the contract time has passed, so they are working 4 ten hour days and also on Fridays to get some of the restoration done. A motion was made by James Grove and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kenneth Wertz approving Pay Est. #2 for the Sylvan Hills Phase 3 in the amount of \$231,739.78 to Diehl Construction LLC. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Francis Hugg and several residences were present concerning the Swinging Bridge. Mr. Bill Straesser wanted to give an update on his progress, Mr. Straesser stated that he was unable to do much due to the fact that all the individual he wanted to talk to was on vacation,

however he stated that the bottom line was the funding and he felt there would be no Federal funding for this project.

Mrs. Hugg stated that she is trying to contact the National Historic Society as well as the Allegheny Heritage Society, Mrs. Hugg has also contacted State Rep. Judy Ward she felt that there may be some matching funds, however she would have to check into the funding. Mrs. Hugg has requested the Keller Engineer report on the Bridge, once she gets the report she is to forward onto to the Township. Chairman Henry had requested that Mrs. Hugg share her information with the Township that she obtains. Mrs. Hugg also stated that she came to the understand that the cables on the current bridge came from Point View incline, which was used to move the rock from the top to the bottom.

Solicitor Gieg stated he felt that Keller Engineer's Bridge Study may show the cost to replace the bridge rather than repair the bridge.

Carl Cox – had presented a map of the area where the Swinging Bridge is located as well as picture of the bridge to the Board of Supervisors.

Kay Stevens questioned why did the Board of Supervisors is requesting the flag pole to be moved? Engineer Levine stated that the new road will be too close to the monument and the flag pole.

The regular Township meeting adjourned at 7:43 PM

An Executive Meeting was held following the regular meeting for Personnel Issue.

With no other action needed by the Board of Supervisors, a motion was made by James Grove and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kenneth Wertz to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 PM. The motion passed unanimously.

Secretary Beverly J. Henderson