

REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

July 3, 2019

The regular monthly meeting of the Dennison Township Supervisors was called to order by Chairman Sheila Weaver. After Pledge of Allegiance, roll call was taken as follows:

Sheila Weaver , present	Jack Varaly, present
Michael Mack, present	Attorney Dean, excused
Bruce Thomas, present	Kathleen Stortz, present

The minutes of the June 5th meeting were approved on a motion by Michael Mack, second by Bruce Thomas. All voted in favor.

The Treasurer’s Report was approved on a motion by Bruce Thomas, second by Michael Mack. All voted in favor.

The bills, as read, were approved on a motion by Michael Mack second by Bruce Thomas. All voted in favor.

BUSINESS:

POLICE REPORT – NONE

POLICE AGREEMENT – The revised police agreement sent to White Haven Borough for approval has been approved. The borough is requesting the township wait until August to receive the certificate naming Dennison Township additional insured due to the fact that they have to pay their insurance company to issue the certificate and their policy renews August 1st so they would have to pay now and again when the policy renews. The supervisors said it could wait until August.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT – The township has received information from Community Development regarding the grant program for 2020. Dennison Township does not qualify as a low to moderate income community, therefore, in order for any project, other than ADA improvements, to qualify it will be necessary for a community development survey to be completed to determine eligibility. The matter was tabled pending further consideration.

ZONING REPORT - Jack Varaly reported a zoning permit was denied for New Enterprise Stone and Lime Company for placement of an office trailer on property located at 453 Middleburg Road. A variance is needed. A permit was approved for an addition to residence located at 16 Nature Lane and Jack is still waiting for payment for a zoning permit from the state for a storage building at Nescopeck State Park. Jack has been in contact with Attorney Terrana who represents Mr. Dittmar who would like to pursue his water withdrawal project in Beech Mountain. Mr. Terrana informed Jack that an appeal by Luzerne County from 2017 regarding bonding for the use of Honey Hole Road was still pending. Attorney Terrana will provide Jack with documentation. Jack suggested the township contact Attorney Boyd about filing a lien against Mr. Sweitzer’s property for any judgements that have not been appealed.

ROAD REPORT – Jim Yackiel reported he cut weeds at intersections and around street signs in Middleburg and along Red Shale Pit Road. He cut and trimmed grass at the township building and fire station. He checked the cul-de-sac on Ramblewood Drive after a message was left on the township answering machine about logging trucks damaging the road. He did not see any damage. He also reported that everything is fine at the dumpsters.

BIDS FOR PEAT MOSS ROAD - Four bids were received for Peat Moss Road Improvements.

M & J Excavation, Inc.-----	\$123,239.70
Robert C. Young, Inc.-----	\$135,111.90
Pennsy Supply, Inc.-----	\$151,746.90
Barletta Materials Construction, Inc.-----	\$172,955.40

All bids were reviewed by Barry Isett and Associates and they recommend Dennison Township award the project to the low bidder M&J Excavation, Inc. A motion was made by Bruce Thomas, second by Michael Mack, to award the bid to the apparent low bidder, M & J Excavation, Inc. in the amount of \$123,239.70 and to execute the Notice of Award so the contractor can proceed with obtaining bonding and insurance. All voted in favor.

Phone quotes for the drainage work on Peat Moss Road and 4th and Walnut Street were solicited from the following contractors. Chris Herbener, R.C. Young, Don Bower, Stell Enterprises. Quotes are to be received by June 11th. A motion was made by Bruce Thomas, second by Michael Mack to award the Drainage Projects to the lowest bidder contingent on the engineer’s review and approval. All voted in favor.

FIRE REPORT –There were 12 calls during the month of May, 56 hours of service, 24 hours of training and 24 hours of maintenance. Five calls were in Dennison, three in White Haven Borough, one in Foster Township, one in Wright Township, one in Dorrance, and one in Butler Township.

MISCELLANEOUS – Michael Mack stated he would like the supervisors to consider ordering two dumpsters in the fall for another clean up. A motion was made by Michael Mack, second by Bruce Thomas, to have a fall clean up at a date to be determined, probably mid-September. All voted in favor.

Bruce Thomas stated he would like to recognize the effort Mike Mack put into the clean up of the Mendez property along with the White Haven Police Department.

ADJOURNMENT – On a motion by Bruce Thomas, second by Michael Mack, the meeting adjourned at 7:10. All voted in favor.