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FEBRUARY 12, 2018 MEETING MINUTES

The February 12, 2018 meeting of the Madison Township Supervisors was called to order by Michelle Densberger at 7:06 PM. Also attending the meeting was Terry Rider & Glenn Titman.

Guests in attendance: Gary Williams, Connie Crawford, Diana Leighow, Bob & Mary McWilliams Bob Deihl, Darla Hess, Don & Deb Tappe, Sandy Whispell, Chief Michael VanDine and Holly Greenly.

Fuel Bids- Two bids were submitted. Fruits Fuel Service and Leighow Oil Company. Fruits Fuel Service's bid was 15 cents per gallon over daily rack price. Leighow Oils bid was 16.8 cents per gallon over wholesale costs for ultra-low sulfur diesel and heating oil as well as deliver it as needed.

Motion by Glenn Titman 2nd by Michelle Densberger. Motion carried
Motion: Accept the Fruits Fuel Service bid.

Hauling Bids- One bid was submitted. Bid from GP Steiner, LLC. Bid is for hauling aggregate to the township at 31 cents per ton per mile. There is a ten mile minimum at \$3.50 per ton.

Motion by Terry Rider 2nd by Glenn Titman. Motion carried
Motion: Accept the GP Steiner, LLC bid.

Bids for the Police Vehicles

2 winning bids that were placed on Municibid were:

Ashley Newcomer for the 2008 Ford Crown Victoria at \$1,800.00

Motion by Terry Rider 2nd by Glenn Titman. Motion carried
Motion: Accept the Municibid bid for the police car.

Ronald Przech for the 2004 Ford Explorer at \$2050.00

Motion by Michelle Densberger 2nd by Glenn Titman. Motion carried
Motion: Accept the Municibid bids for the police SUV.

Recognition of Guests:

Darla Hess asked why the workshop meetings were changed from monthly Wednesdays at 5 pm to quarterly. Michelle Densberger responded that the workshop meetings are discussion meetings about upcoming work projects. No decisions will be made at these meetings. Darla Hess asked to have monthly workshop meetings. The supervisors responded they preferred quarterly meetings. A lengthy discussion ensued. Sandy Whispell questioned when the Workshop meeting will be held. It will be held Wednesday, March 28th at 10 am at the Community Center. The meeting will be advertised.

Darla Hess next, questioned why bids were not taken or advertised for the police force. Supervisors responded other police departments (Millville Borough and Greenwood Township) were contacted. None of the police departments wanted to place a bid. Darla Hess said the police department bids should have been advertised.

Sandy Whispell questioned when the roads will be redone. Michelle Densberger responded there is a four year plan the roads will be worked on & costs to do the work are being gathered. A lengthy discussion progressed.

Then Sandy Whispell questioned the supervisors decisions making process saying the Sunshine Law could be violated if supervisors gathered and made decisions without discussing it at a meeting. Chief Van Dine said supervisors are allowed to meet and discuss issues for informational purposes as long as no decisions are made. Supervisors responded by saying they take public comment into consideration when making decisions on behalf of the township. A lengthy discussion ensued.

Presentation of meeting minutes

Motion by Glenn Titman 2nd by Michelle Densberger. Motion carried

Motion: Accept the December 11, 2017 monthly minutes

Motion by Michelle Densberger 2nd by Glenn Titman. Motion carried

Motion: Accept the January 2, 2018 re-organization minutes

Motion by Terry Rider 2nd by Glenn Titman. Motion carried

Motion: Accept the January 8, 2018 monthly minutes

Financial Report:

Motion by Glenn Titman 2nd by Michelle Densberger. Motion carried

Motion: Accept the financials as submitted and pay the bills

Municipal Authority: N/A

Planning Commission: N/A

Transfer Tax Report: (2)

From Dayton Hess to Timothy Thompson

From Jack Dawson to Equity Trust Co for the benefit of Patricia Bittenbender

Total from transfers was 1,470.00

SEO Report: (N/A)

Permit Officer Report: (N/A)

Ordinance Enforcement Officer Report: (N/A)

Tax Collector Report (1)

Payment for taxes collected was \$1093.24

Road Master Report: Terry Rider presented his report.

Cindering, cutting brush, opening drainage pipes.

5 Bridges were reviewed with Bassett Engineering.

Slate Road Bridge- Will be repaired not replaced. Weight limit will 4 ton till repairs are made.

Camp Road Bridge- Bridge evaluated and determined several repairs need to be made. Weight limit will 4 ton till repairs are made.

Gary Williams asked if information can be provided for tar & chipping for cost comparisons. The supervisors are gathering information currently for tar & chipping costs.

A Thank You letter was received for the road crew from Anthony Twp. The letter thanked the road crew for the assistance in plowing Katy's Church & Wolf Hollow Roads.

Motion by Michelle Densberger 2nd by Glenn Titman. Motion carried
Motion: To post 4 ton weight limit signs on Camp Road for the bridge.

Police Report: Hemlock Township Police reported presented by Chief Van Dine.

Traffic study was done for appropriate speed limits on State Rt. 254 and State Rt. 44. Study results came back that speed limits are satisfactory as posted.

A message board was placed at Jerseytown Community Center in January to provide motorists with notice of the speed limit zone and speeding through the village.

Hemlock Township made a request to Penn Dot concerning a possible school zone for the new Mennonite Church on State Rt. 254. The church does not have children walking to school so; a school zone is not justified on State Route 254.

Hemlock Township Police logged 2,561 miles and 144.5 hours in January patrolling. The officers enjoy patrolling our township. 58 incidents were logged for the month. Hemlock Township Police 7 Written Warnings, 26 Traffic Citations, 1 Criminal Complaint. \$ 151.24 in fines so far, was collected by Hemlock Township Police. Madison Township will receive so far, \$37.81 of the fine money collected.

Diana Leighow asked if a summary page of the police activity could be added to the meeting packet? The summary page will be added to the packet for the next meeting.

Gary Williams asked how many did the State Police investigate? Chief Van Dine responded 0 and the state police thanked Hemlock Township for doing the work.

Old Business:

Slate Road Bridge – The Township received the proposal for repair.

Camp Road Bridge- The bridge was inspected.

Motion by Michelle Densberger 2nd by Terry Rider. Motion carried

Motion: To proceed with the proposal from Bassett Engineering for the repair of the 7 bridges to the level of a 4 ton weight limit by moving forward with bids.

New Business:

Motion by Glenn Titman 2nd by Terry Rider. Motion carried

Motion: The proposal of the sale of equipment (former police items) to Greenwood Twp.

Sandy Whispell questioned about hiring new auditors. Sandy said that the notice requirement by the Second Township Code was not completed. The supervisors made calls inquiring to other auditors for the position. No one was interested in the position. The solicitor was called for guidance on code compliance. A lengthy discussing ensued.

Motion by Michelle Densberger 2nd by Terry Rider. Motion carried

Motion: To have the CPA, Doug Parker, to come in and audit the 2017 financial books.

Correspondence:

The incoming correspondences received were announced. Correspondence consisted of training information, grant information, and newsletters.

The outgoing correspondence was to Daily Express Inc. concerning costs to restoring & replacing a power pole. A second correspondence to First Columbia Bank requesting a signer change on all accounts from Beverly Lutcavage to Holly Greenly.

For the Good of the Township:

Newsletter-Michelle & Holly have been gathering information and putting a draft together. The newsletter is to be mailed with the spring taxes. The newsletter was provided to Connie Crawford by Friday 2/16/18.

Gary Williams asked about the updating of the website. Michelle responded the website will be updated to include the newsletter and the latest meeting minutes.

Gary Williams requested a copy of the bills that were paid and the bills to be paid. A copy will be in the next meeting packet.

Motion by Glenn Titman 2nd by Terry Rider to adjourn at 2045. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Holly Greenly
Secretary-Treasurer