

**WALKER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**  
**Monthly Meeting**  
**September 4, 2018**

<b>Supervisors</b>	–	<b>Keith Harter</b> <b>Deborah Zimmerman</b> <b>James Heckman</b>
<b>Staff</b>	–	<b>Donna Reese - Secretary/Treasure</b> <b>Sue Wagner - Asst. Secretary/Treasure</b> <b>Vaughn Zimmerman - Zoning Officer</b> <b>Don Franson - Township Engineer</b>
<b>Guests</b>	–	<b>Tim Meyer</b> <b>Fair Districts PA: Bill Van Der Sluys</b> <b>Bill van den Berg</b>

**Call to Order:** Chairman Keith Harter called the September 4, 2018 monthly meeting of the Walker Township Board of Supervisors to order at 6:00 pm in the Walker Township Municipal Building.

**Pledge of Allegiance:** Chairman Harter led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Approval of August 1, 2018 Meeting Minutes:** Motion was made by Supervisor Zimmerman to approve the minutes from the August 1, 2018 meeting as presented; motion second by Keith Harter and approved by all three Supervisors.

**Zoning Officers Report:**

- Zoning Officer Zimmerman reported he had 10 zoning permits and 3 driving permits
- The **Alvesta Sebastianelli/Thomas and Carol Boob Replot Plan (CCPCDO No. 105-18)** was presented. The Planning Commission has reviewed the plan and have no issues with it. Supervisor Harter made a motion to authorize issuance of the meets/exceeds letter; James Heckman second the motion and approved by all three Supervisors.
- Supervisor Zimmerman has been receiving calls regarding **truck traffic deliveries to a business on Hoy Road**. She stated that delivery trucks are having a hard time backing in and out of the building. They are crossing Hoy bridge and traveling out to Pike Road instead of exiting onto Rt. 64. Zoning Officer Zimmerman will look into the issue.
- Supervisor Zimmerman inquired if a permit would be required to put a pre-made **Gazebo at Zion Park**. Vaughn stated a permit should be obtained to have on file. He recommends permit fees be waived for any Park and Rec project. Supervisor Harter made a motion to waive permit fees for Parks and Rec projects; second by James Heckman and approved by all three Supervisors.

**Guests:**

- Tim Meyer (ENVJMA) requested that Solicitor Miller contact Bob O'Connor (ENVJMA Solicitor) regarding the issue that a Walker Township resident cannot serve on the **Clinton County Sewer Authority**. The Board also suggested Mr. Meyer ask Mr. O'Connor to contact Solicitor Miller.

**Agenda:**

- **Fair Districts PA Representative** Bill van den Berg presented a video and information regarding Gerrymandering in Pennsylvania. He asked the Board to sign a Resolution that allows an Independent Citizens Commission to draw the voting districts rather than politicians. Supervisor Harter inquired, as he did in the June 6, 2018 meeting, who would create the Citizens Commission Committee to draw the voting districts. Mr. van den Berg stated it has not been decided how that would be handled. Mr. van den Berg and Mr. Van Der Sluys are going to put a petition together of the Walker Township residents to present to the Board to help in their decision.

**Solicitor's Report:**

- **Walker Lumber** requested the termination of their Road Use and Maintenance Agreement for using Deitrich Road (T-474) and to release the Road Maintenance Surety. Supervisor Harter made a motion to approve the request to release the Walker Lumber Surety and terminate the Agreement for using Deitrich Road (T-474); motion second by James Heckman and approved by all three Supervisors.
- A **bond cancellation was received from Nationwide Insurance** regarding Dave's Sawmill for the use of Snyderstown Rd (T-696), Sand Ridge Road (T-476), and Crust Rd (T-610). No request has been received from Dave's Sawmill asking the Township to release the bond.
- **Mifflintown D & S Shavings** requested a RMA to use 0.81 miles of Dunkle Road (T-462). No surety has been received yet.

**Engineer's Report:**

- Engineer Don Franson received quotes from John Claar Excavating for the following issues:
  1. Repairing the **pipe on Walizer Road (T-471)** for an amount of \$4,500.00. Supervisor Heckman made a motion to have John Claar repair the pipe; motion second by Keith Harter and approved by all three Supervisors. This was noted as top priority.
  2. Fix the **Walker Township Park Walking Trail** locations recently washed out with rains. Supervisor Zimmerman made a motion to have John Claar repair the Walking Trail; motion second by Keith Harter and approved by all three Supervisors.
  3. **Resurfacing the basketball court at Zion Park** in the amount of \$6,800.00. Don recommended getting another quote.
- Don has not heard back from any of the correspondence he has sent out in regards to the **flooding at Gemstone Drive and Pebble Lane in Stony Pointe**.
- Don will look into water issues on **Two Mile Road and Ponderosa Drive**.
- Supervisor Harter asked Don if he would obtain quotes for **culvert(s) to be put in Zion Back Road** to help alleviate the water issues that occur when it rains for the Park Walking Trail.
- Don spoke with a resident on **Hemlock Drive** who was very happy with the repairs that were completed there.

**Assistant Roadmaster Report:**

- HRI has not started the **Shoulder Repair at Springfield or Berming Project at Hublersburg, Snyderstown & Nittany Ridge**. They were scheduled to start late August, but the weather has caused delays.
- No quote has been received for patching Hecla Road from the damage done earlier this summer by a tree falling.
- Assistant Roadmaster Keith Harter received a **letter from a Zion Back Road resident** asking if a paved shoulder could be installed to help with the water issues at her property. Keith will contact the resident.
- Keith received a **letter from a Hublersburg Road resident** regarding the flooding that occurs at her home. Keith will contact the resident.

**New Business:**

- Supervisor Heckman made a motion to approve the **DEP Component 1 Sewage Facilities Planning Module for Ronald/Barbara Denker Minor Land Development (CCPCDO No. 121-18)**; motion second by Deborah Zimmerman and approved by all three Supervisors.
- The Board received an invoice for the **2018/2019 Workers Comp premium** in the amount of \$18,373.00.
- An invoice was received for the **Walker Township Property Insurance** in the amount of \$19,964.00
- **Letters of Interest have been received for the Zoning Hearing Board vacancy**. The Board would like the other two officers on the Zoning Hearing Board to look at the candidates.
- The Board received a notice from the **PA Liquor Control Board** regarding the application for a new license for **Old Farmhouse Eatery LLC**.
- A motion was made by Supervisor Harter to **combine the Parks and Recreation Activities, Long and Short Term Budget Items**; motion second by James Heckman and approved by all three Supervisors.



- Supervisor Harter made a motion to make September 10 as **Centre County Suicide Awareness and Prevention Day** and the month of September as **Suicide Prevention Month**; motion second by Deborah Zimmerman and approved by all three Supervisors.
- Supervisor Heckman made a motion to donate \$2,500.00 to the **Centre County Library & Historical Museum**; motion second by Keith Harter and approved by all three Supervisors.
- Supervisor Harter motioned to schedule **Trick or Treat** night for Wednesday, October 31, 2018; motion second by James Heckman and approved by all three Supervisors.

Supervisor Zimmerman made a motion to approve the August 2018 **General Fund Paid Bills** in the amount of \$30,195.22 and the August 2018 **Treasure's Report**; motion second by Keith Harter and approved by all present.

The Supervisors went into an Executive Meeting at 7:20 p.m.; meeting resumed at 7:35 p.m.

**New Business (con't)**

- Supervisor Harter made a motion to authorize Deb Zimmerman and Sue Wagner to attend the **PSATS Fall Forum training** if they desire; motion second by James Heckman and approved by all three Supervisors.
- Supervisor Harter made a motion to advertise for a **Temporary Part-Time Maintenance Employee**; motion second by Deborah Zimmerman and approved by all three Supervisors.

Supervisor Heckman motioned to adjourn the meeting; motion second by Keith Harter and approved by all three Supervisors. Meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan L. Wagner  
Asst. Secretary/Treasurer