

WALKER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
Monthly Meeting
February 2, 2022

Supervisors – **Keith Harter**
Deborah Zimmerman
James Heckman

Solicitor – **John Miller III**

Staff – **Sue Wagner - Secretary/Treasurer**
Don Franson – Township Engineer

Guests – Dennis McDowell – Township Resident
Lt. Andrew Lynn – PA State Police
Tom Little – Twp. Resident
Tim Meyer – Twp. Resident
Peter Butler – CC Government
Richard Perini – Twp Resident
David Gibbons - Centre Wisp
Kerry O'Hara – WTWA
Zach Berger – Twp. Resident

Call to Order: Chairman Keith Harter called the February 2, 2022, 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 January 3, 2022: Supervisor Heckman made a motion to approve the January minutes as presented; motion second by Deborah Zimmerman and approved by all three Supervisors.

Agenda: There were no Agenda items to address

Guests:

- Lt. Andy Lynn from State Police Rockview provided the Township's filings for 2021.
- Kerry O'Hara representing Walker Township Water Authority (WTWA) was following up on their request for funding assistance from the Walker Township American Rescue Funds (ARF) for some future capital projects. Supervisor Zimmerman explained the final rule was just received and we haven't made any final decisions for the funds as of date. WTWA would like to repair the water line before the Zion Back Road New Park construction starts.
- Peter Butler, Centre County Government, spoke to the Board regarding Broadband Internet and ARF Funds the County has. A Broadband Survey is being launched to determine locations that do not have service, locations that have less than adequate service, what people are paying and what their satisfaction is with their current provider. This will help them identify where they can help with the ARF Funds. Surveys will be available online and in paper form.
- No other Guests wanted to address the Board

Solicitor Report: -

- A Road Maintenance Agreement (RMA) was received from A.M. Logging LLC to use .90 Miles of T-474 (Dietrich Rd). Supervisor Heckman made a motion to approve the RMA request; motion second by Keith Harter and approved by all three Supervisors.

Engineer Report:

- Engineer Franson reported the DEP Application for the Zion Back Road New Parking Lot has been submitted. He doesn't expect to hear back from them until April or later. He continues to work on the construction plans.
- Walker Township did not receive any funding for the 2022 Centre County Liquid Fuels.
- Mr. Franson will provide final recommendation for storm water projects to be put out for bid in 2022 for the March meeting. Box culverts for Blue Ball Rd will also be included.

ZONING:

- Supervisor Harter reported there were 9 Zoning Permits issued.

Supervisor Harter made a motion to Amend the February 2, 2022 Agenda; motion second by James Heckman and approved by all three Supervisors.

- Interim Zoning Officer Donna Reese discussed with the Board the Rickey and Lacie Snyder Lot Addition/Replot plan. Supervisor Harter made a motion to request a full-sized overlay of the original Tracts to review before the Meets or Exceeds letter is issued; motion second by Deborah Zimmerman and approved by all three Supervisors.
- Supervisor Harter made a motion to grant a 60-day extension to Rick Bowman - Bowman Excavating/Paving/Concrete to construct a fence on his property per the Conditions set forth at his December 13, 2021 Hearing; motion second by Deborah Zimmerman and approved by all three Supervisors.

ROADMASTER:

- The Township will not participate in the Line Painting Program for 2022.
- Winter Maintenance continues.

PARKS AND REC REPORT:

- There was nothing new to report for Parks and Rec

NEW BUSINESS:

- Supervisor Heckman made a motion to adopt Resolution 22-466 allowing Chairman Keith Harter to electronically sign the Reimbursement Agreement Documents and Exhibit M – Lobbying Certification for Hoy Road; motion second by Deborah Zimmerman and approved by all three Supervisors.
- Supervisor Heckman made a motion to reappoint Cindy Kunes, Greg Poorman, and Denny Walizer to the Walker Township Planning Commission Board for a 5-year term; motion second by Deborah Zimmerman and approved by all three Supervisors.
- Supervisor Zimmerman made a motion to sign and authorize RBA Professional Data Systems to upload the past 3 years of tax payment records into a computerized system for the Tax Collector to use; motion second by James Heckman and approved by all three Supervisors.
- Supervisor Heckman made a motion to pay the \$100.00 fee to RBA Professional Data Systems to transfer the past 3 years of historical records into a computerized system and the \$175.00 fee for the purchase of a handheld scanner which will be used in processing and recording tax payments into the computer; motion second by Deborah Zimmerman and approved by all three Supervisors.
- Supervisor Harter made a motion to reappoint Doug Johnson as the Region's Coordinating Committee representative and John Dillon as the Technical Committee Representative for the Centre County Metropolitan Planning Organization Board; motion second by James Heckman and approved by all three Supervisors.
- There was no action taken on the 2022 Dirt Gravel and Low-Volume Roads Maintenance Program Application.
- Supervisor Heckman made a motion to contribute \$450.00 to the Bellefonte High School awards program for 2022 and contribute to CPI three \$100.00 awards for three 2022 seniors; motion second by Keith Harter and approved by all three Supervisors.
- Supervisor Harter made a motion to hire Molly Maids for the Township's new cleaning service; motion second by Deborah Zimmerman and approved by all three Supervisors.

NEW BUSINESS (con't):

- Supervisor Heckman made a motion to donate \$2,500.00 to the Centre County Library; motion second by Keith Harter and approved by all three Supervisors.
- Supervisor Heckman motion to allow Tax Collector Kathy Fye use of the Township's EIN number to open a bank account for tax payment collections.

Supervisor Harter made a motion to approve January General Fund Paid Bills in the amount of \$67,161.61 and the January Treasurer's Report; motion second by James Heckman and approved by all three Supervisors.

Supervisor Heckman made a motion to adjourn the meeting; motion second by Keith Harter and approved by all three Supervisors.

Meeting adjourned at 7:54pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan L. Wagner
Secretary