

**Wednesday, June 4, 2014**  
**REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING**  
**MUNICIPAL BUILDING – MILLER SHAFT**

Chairman Cooper opened the meeting at 7:00 pm., with the salute to the flag

Roll call: Supervisor William Cooper – present; Supervisor Rick Olshavsky – present; Supervisor Jeffrey Kostan – present; Solicitor C.J. Webb – absent.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Casey Castel and his brother, Ted Castel, Jr. approached the Supervisors again concerning the hole in the pipe on Castel Lane and if the Township was responsible to repair the damaged pipe and the affect it may have on the water runoff. The Supervisors will contact our engineer and solicitor for advisement.

Bill Offman questioned the Board regarding the involvement of the Drive-Inn sign. Supervisor Cooper stated to Mr. Offman all the Township was handling as far as the moving of the Drive-Inn sign is cutting of the road and the electricity to it. This is part of the legal agreement that the parties involved agreed to. Mr. Offman also complained about the paint chips on his property.

Residents from Shoemaker discussed Amfire and breaking the train and making an alternate route and the logistical problems involved. Supervisors will continue to meet with Amfire to get best solution to the problem. Supervisors sent a letter to Amfire to let the truck drivers to be aware that school is dismissed for the summer and to be careful of the children in the area. The Township is also going to erect signs reading Children at Play. Posting a ten ton weight limit on the road was also discussed and posting a bond.

The Supervisors met with Amfire along with Representative Gary Haluska and Frank Burns. Amfire has hired a consulting firm to see about how much it would cost them and where to create an alternate route. With the Representatives on board with the Township and Amfire they can when the time comes to help push the process of permits that are necessary to get. There is a wetland up there but they can get that resolved when or if need be.

It was also related to the residents that the Board cannot legally stop Amfire. But to resolve this issue it is just going to take time maybe one or two years. The Supervisors will try to have Amfire present at a special Township meeting.

Glenn Calderwood thanked the Board for the ditch but need just a little bit more.

Tom Rohr was wondering about the easement for Hufford Hill Road. Supervisor Olshavsky stated the easement was drawn up but the party never agreed to it.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

May 7, 2014 Regular Monthly Minutes

Supervisor Olshavsky made a motion to approve the May 7, 2014, Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes as presented. Supervisor Kostan seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.** Supervisor Olshavsky – yes; Supervisor Cooper – yes; Supervisor Kostan – yes.

### Secretary's Report

The secretary's report was presented to the Board and Supervisor Kostan made a motion to accept the secretary's report as presented. Supervisor Olshavsky seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.** Supervisor Olshavsky – yes; Supervisor Cooper – yes; Supervisor Kostan – yes.

### Road Master's Report

The Road Master's Report was presented to the Board by Supervisor Cooper which included the following:

- Repair of Machinery
- Street Sweeping
- Repaired potholes on various Twp roads
- Replaced electrical service in the Office/Garage
- Paved Shady Spring Road, Martindale (burning), paved by the office, Devils Elbow
- Brush hogging

Supervisor Olshavsky made a motion to approve the Road Master's Report. Supervisor Cooper seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.** Supervisor Olshavsky – yes; Supervisor Cooper – yes; Supervisor Kostan – yes.

### Code Enforcement Officer's Report

The Code Enforcement Officer's Report was presented by Supervisor Cooper which included the following:

- Complaint from resident in Oil Circle Drive regarding garbage, high grass – contacted the resident is in the process of cleaning up now.
- Complaint from resident in Mangus Court regarding garbage, high grass, abandoned vehicle – contacted the resident grass is cut, car is moved, the garbage is now in bags.

Supervisor Kostan made a motion to approve the Code Enforcement Officer's Report. Motion was seconded by Supervisor Olshavsky. **Motion carried 3-0.** Supervisor Olshavsky – yes; Supervisor Cooper – yes; Supervisor Kostan – yes.

### Old Business

Discussion was held regarding Amfire Complaints under Public Participation

### New Business

#### Portage Township 2014 Road Paving Project

Supervisor Cooper started the new business with the opening of the 2014 Paving Project Bids. Bids were opened from their sealed envelopes and Supervisor Olshavsky read the following bid proposals:

- HRI, Inc. - \$337,135.50
- Quaker Sales Corporation - \$329,643.60
- New Enterprise Stone & Lime Co., Inc. - \$275,155.95
- Grannas Bros. Stone and Asphalt Co., Inc. - \$268,940.00

Supervisor Olshavsky then made a motion to accept Grannas Bros. Stone and Asphalt Co., Inc. as the lowest bidder. In the motion, Supervisor Olshavsky stated this bid will be accepted as long as Solicitor C.J. Webb

reviews the documents submitted by Grannas Bros. and that all necessary and legal documents are correct with this bid. Supervisor Cooper seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.** Supervisor Olshavsky – yes; Supervisor Cooper – yes; Supervisor Kostan – yes.

Supervisor Olshavsky made a motion to send along the next lowest bid to Solicitor Webb to review (New Enterprises Bid) in case Grannas Bros. bid was not correct on any of the necessary legal requirements as outlined in the bid proposals if trouble arose, the bid would be awarded to the next responsible bidder. **Motion carried 3-0.**

#### Bank Credit Card

Applying for a bank credit card was brought to the Board. Supervisor Olshavsky related to the Board of an incident where having a credit card the Township could of expedited the purchase of a part that was needed but had to wait because a payment was needed up front. This a credit card through 1<sup>st</sup> Summit Bank with no fees. Limit would be \$5000.00. Supervisor Olshavsky made a motion to apply for this credit card and the limit being \$5000.00 with Supervisor Olshavsky and Secretary Ruby Moore as the authorized users of this card. Supervisor Kostan seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.** Supervisor Olshavsky – yes; Supervisor Cooper – yes; Supervisor Kostan – yes.

#### Cyran Alley Stop Sign

Next in line of New Business was the advertisement for Ordinance for a stop sign on Cyran Alley/Springhill Road. Supervisor Olshavsky stated that a permit was applied for because they have to change the intersection. They are going to take the curving out. PennDot required the permit and mandated the Township to put in a stop sign. Supervisor Olshavsky made a motion to advertise for the Ordinance for a stop sign on Cyran Alley. Supervisor Cooper seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.** Supervisor Olshavsky – yes; Supervisor Cooper – yes; Supervisor Kostan – yes.

#### Township Building Garage Roof Repair

Supervisor Olshavsky then reported to the Board that a Penelec workman fell through the roof with no injury when doing some work from the roof of the garage/office. Temporary repair was done, but the shingles on the roof need replaced. Fordick Construction gave a bid to the Board to replace the shingles, materials, and labor for \$2,200.00. Supervisor Olshavsky made a motion to accept Fordick Construction's bid with Supervisor Cooper seconding the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.** Supervisor Olshavsky – yes; Supervisor Cooper – yes; Supervisor Kostan – yes.

#### PMRS Seminar

A motion was made by Supervisor Olshavsky for our Township Secretary Ruby Moore to attend a seminar with PMRS, who is our Pension provider, to learn of any changes, updates, etc. with all expenses paid by the Township. Supervisor Cooper seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.** Supervisor Olshavsky – yes; Supervisor Cooper – yes; Supervisor Kostan – yes.

Benny Selapack questioned the Board regarding a correspondence letter received from the Cambria County Building Code Enforcement Agency regarding "Uniform Construction Code Stop Work Policy". The Board agreed to Table this until they further understood the meaning and responsibility of the contact person they

are requiring for the Township to have. Supervisor Olshavsky made the motion with Supervisor Cooper seconding. **Motion carried 3-0.** Supervisor Olshavsky – yes; Supervisor Cooper – yes; Supervisor Kostan – yes.

Adjourn

Supervisor Cooper mad a motion to adjourn, seconded by Supervisor Olshavsky.

Those visitors who signed in: Glenn Calderwood, Casey Castel, Ted Castel, Jr., Kelly Cernetich, Joe Walters, Ben Selapack, Renee & Francis Maul, Paul Maul, Tom Rohr, Bill Kline.

Submitted respectfully by Michelle Kostan, Township Secretary.

**Minutes subject to approval by the Board.**