

**PORTAGE TOWNSHIP  
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING, AUGUST 2, 2017  
4109 PORTAGE STREET, PORTAGE, PA**

*Chairman Bill Cooper opened the meeting with a salute to the flag and then offered a moment of silence.*

*Roll Call: Supervisor Jeff Kostan – present; Supervisor Bill Cooper – present; Supervisor Rick Olshavsky – present.*

**Public Participation**

*Mary Kay Summerville and several residents of Mangus Court (First Street), spoke to the Board and the Code Enforcement Officer upset over the conditions of a resident that lives on First Street. Showing pictures of the junk and garbage scattered throughout the front and back yard, showing cars parked in the driveway and on the side of the road, they want something done. The Code Enforcement Officer tried to explain what he is allowed by law to do and what he is not allowed to do. There was much discussion on this with several other residents expressing their frustration. The Board will contact our Solicitor to discuss and go over the possibility of filing charges with local District Court.*

*Several residents from Jefferson Avenue spoke to the Board again regarding their concerns for the paper alley behind their homes and the water problem. Several neighbors interested in the possibility of getting their footage from the alley through the 21year rule (Township not maintaining the alley). Bob Koban, Borough Manager, who attended tonight's meeting, shared some input as to what the Borough is trying to resolve regarding the water running down Gilespe Street. The Township and the Borough are going to meet to discuss what possibilities there are to resolve this water issue.*

*Matt Zunich of Elwood Drive turned over a letter with various neighbor's signatures stating they would agree to have Mr. Zunich speak on their behalf in helping to raise concerns they have regarding issues with drainage and paving. Mike Baker a resident of Elwood Street, asked about getting street lights placed on his streets. Supervisor Olshavsky spoke regarding this. He is going to check with Penelec regarding the possibility of installing some if any.*

*Francis Lloyd spoke regarding a falling down garage. He is asking for the Township to please speak with the owner to do something with it.*

*Art Yogus spoke to the Board regarding some issues he had concerns with. He wants his concerns addressed.*

*Jill Lamar thanked the guys for helping with Summerfest this year.*

*Bob Koban spoke asking the Board to sit down with him regarding this grant study for the rec manager. He feels some miscommunication was had in the understanding of just what they were asking for. They all agreed and will set up a time.*

#### ***Approval of Meeting Minutes***

*MOTION made by Supervisor Cooper, seconded by Supervisor Olshavsky to approve the Monthly Meeting Minutes dated July 5, 2017. Roll call, all in favor. Motion passed.*

#### ***Secretarial Report and Correspondence Received***

*MOTION made by Supervisor Cooper, seconded by Supervisor Olshavsky to approve the Secretarial Report as presented. Roll call, all in favor. Motion passed.*

#### ***Road Master's Report***

*MOTION made by Supervisor Olshavsky, seconded by Supervisor Cooper to approve the Road Master's Report as presented. Roll call, all in favor. Motion passed.*

#### ***Code Enforcement Officer's Report***

*MOTION made by Supervisor Olshavsky, seconded by Supervisor Kostan to approve the Code Enforcement Officer's Report as presented. Roll call, all in favor.*

#### ***Old Business – None***

#### ***New Business***

- a. Donation to the Portage Coalition of Sportsmen and Fire Company (Convention)***

*MOTION made by Supervisor Olshavsky, seconded by Supervisor Kostan to donate \$100.00 to the Portage Coalition of Sportsmen. Roll call, all in favor.*

*MOTION made by Supervisor Cooper, seconded by Supervisor Olshavsky to donate \$150.00 to the Fireman's Convention 2017. Roll call, all in favor.*

#### ***Adjourn***

***MOTION made by Supervisor Cooper, seconded by Supervisor Olshavsky to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 pm.***

***Those who attended tonight's meeting and signed in:***

***Judith and Don Clayton, Dave Hayes, John Waksmunski, George & Kandy Chappell, John Crum, David Rorabaugh, Ron Portash, Linda Pacovsky, Duane Lamar, John Nicholson, Arthur Yogus, Joe Walters, Francis Lloyd, MaryKay and Larry Summerville, John and Aggie Zock, Terrie Wytoskick, David Lysinger, Jill Lamar, Matt Zunich, Dennis Ratosky Sr., Elwood Selapack, Bob Lutz, Fred Offman, Chuck Onder, Rick Sherry, Walter Zobrosky.***

***Addition to the minutes: On August 7, 2017 at 2:00 pm the Board of Supervisors had an executive session with our Solicitor CJ Webb.***