

March 7, 2011

The monthly meeting was called to order by Chairman White at 7 PM. A salute to the flag was recited. This meeting was recorded. In attendance were: Supervisors Randy White, Ernest Reich and Glenn Shupp, Judy Gingher, secy., Sgt. Edward Morristell, Bill Radle, Joanne Fiorito, Judy Petra's, Robert Baker Wyo. Co. Press.

The February 7<sup>th</sup> minutes were presented. A motion to approve the minutes as written was made by White, second by Reich with Shupp in agreement.

The outstanding invoices – Due to the storm the list of invoices was not completed. A motion to pay the regular type invoices was made by White, second by Reich with Shupp in agreement. Any unusual invoices will be reviewed by the Board before payment is made.

February Financial Report was distributed to the Board. (report on file) Balances as of 2/28 in accounts for general use: Gen. Funds – Peoples Checking \$ 33,159.83- PLGIT Savings \$100,598.74 – Peoples Saving Acct. \$175,000.00 -State Fd. - PLGIT \$75,429.29 and Park Fd. – PLGIT \$7,597.14 – Peoples Park Fd. \$3,419.42.

Requisition Slips – Park – Shupp requested the purchase of a 48 inch wide power grader attachment for the mowing tractor to groom the walking trails in the park at an estimate cost of \$1,169.00. Shupp made a motion to purchase the attachment second by White with Reich in agreement.

Road Dept. Report – In Ken White's absences, the secy. gave the report as mostly plowing snow and ice and some truck repairs.

Police Dept. Report – In the absence of Chief Ely, Sgt. Morristell gave the monthly activity report (report on file). The secy. spoke on the outdated bullet proof vest from last meeting. The Dept. of Justice is offering another round of grants to cover 50% of the cost. The application period will open on 20<sup>th</sup> of April. Any vest purchased after April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2011 will be eligible for reimbursement. Starr Uniform will be contacted to come and fit the officers so everything will be ready for April.

Park Report – Reservation are continuing to come in. Shupp spoke on a potential problem of the trees growing into the power lines. An estimate of \$3,756.00 was received from Bennie's Nurseries. The estimate includes trimming and or removing trees, trimming and pruning brushes and shrubs. White made a motion to hire Bennie's to do the project, second by Reich with Shupp in agreement.

#### OLD BUSINESS

Auditor's Report – At the last meeting the secy. read the auditor's report from their Re-organizational meeting. She read the report from 2010 not 2011. The Secy. read the correct report. Chairman William Radle, secy. Bridget White and Linda Stacknick as the third member. The Supervisors received a 3% working wage raise to \$13.96 per hr.

## NEW BUSINESS

2011 Paving Bid for Prospect Ln, portions of Mile Rd., Jayne Rd., Marcy Rd and Shadowbrook Dr. – 5 prospective bidders attended the site inspection meeting on Feb. 25<sup>th</sup>. Bids were received until 2 PM, today, opened for review at 2:05 pm. In attendance were: Ken White, road foreman, Judy Gingher, secy. and Bill Faux, Eastern Industries. The following bids were received:

American Asphalt	\$187,393.44
Slusser Bros.	\$193,719.25
Eastern Industries	\$195,948.04
Hanson Aggregates	\$206,396.00
Pikes Creek	\$216,558.96

Shupp made a motion to award the 2011 Paving Project to American Asphalt for \$187,393.44, second by White with Reich in agreement. Project is not to start before April 25<sup>th</sup> and must be complete by June 10<sup>th</sup>.

Franchise Fee – Blue Ridge Cable forwarded the 2010 franchise fee on Feb. 23<sup>rd</sup> in the amount of \$35,066.34. This is approx. \$1,030 more than last year.

Semi-Annual Liquor License – the semi-annual payment of the liquor license was received on Feb. 25<sup>th</sup> in the amount of \$1,000 for 5 licenses.

EMC Insurance Claim –reimbursement was received in the amount of \$9,404.43 from the twp’s ins. carrier for the damage to overhead light pole caused by an accident in Sept. 2010 at the intersection of SR 92 S and By-Pass 6. The person that caused the damage did not have sufficient ins. to cover the damages so it was turned over to the twp’s ins. carrier. Deductible for the Twp was \$1,000.

Disposal of Township Records – in keeping with the Records Retention Act, Resolution #2011-3-01 List of Twp. Record for Disposal. The items included are:

All paid invoices from 1992 & 1993. Special items such as invoices for equip. purchases, paving contracts, legal and engineering invoices were kept.

All road material contracts prior to 2006, un-awarded bid proposals prior to 2009.

Un –awarded paving bid proposals prior to 2007.

All salt contracts prior to 2007.

Twp.’s copy of the tax collector’s books prior to 2010. The Tax Collector copies for 2004 to 2009 are in storage. Tax collectors monthly payment report prior to 2004.

All Twp insurance policies prior to 2005.

1993, 1994 Snow Disaster files. All forms and support documents for funding received will be kept.

A motion to destroy the records in a proper manner was made by White, second by Reich with Shupp in agreement.

Seller Permit- Flower Tent on W. Tioga St. starting in April for 1 mo. and renewal for Greenley B- BQ. The Board approved both permits. Greenley will be allowed to renew on a quarterly basis.

Petras – Flood Gage Station – Judy Petras address the Board about her concerns about the Federal Gov't. 's plan to close the water gage station on Tunkhannock Creek near their property along the creek and the one in Meshoppen on the Susquehanna River. They depend on the gage readings to prepare for flooding when every minutes counts. The gage is also important to gas industry for water withdrawal. The gage has a 97 yr. history and if it's closed for 1 yr.or more all the historical data would not use as it is not continuous.

On another associated topic, Ms. Petras voiced her concerns about the bridge replacement project on Rt. 6 near Deer Park Lumber which would also affect the water level and her property. They have been in contact with Penn Dot and reviewed some of the plans. The plans include using solid guide walls on the bridge. This would back up the water and raise the level of the water on her property during time of flooding. She is asking the Board to contact the Congressman to reconsider the closing. The Board agreed to send letter to the Congressman Marino, the USGS, DEP and the other legislators.

Fox Road – Due to the weathe, residents of Fox Rd. did not attend. Their concerns are for the pending water withdrawal site. They will attend the April meeting.

Gas Activities: Chief Oil & Gas-Harris Site, Stark Road – notices were sent to the Twp. of Chief's Notice of Intent to Susq. River Basin for the consumption of water and their application for an Erosion & Sediment Control Permit with DEP. Comments within 30 days  
Springville Compression Station –SR 1002 – DEP approval letter for Williams Field Services air quality plan to be included in their application for the operating permit. No action is required from the Board.

Subdivision – Shadowbrook III – subdivision to create a water withdrawal easement off SR 6 E. The Wyoming Co. Planning already granted preliminary and final approval on Feb. 16<sup>th</sup>. No comments from the Board.

CECO Associates Inc. – Iroquois Trail – They are assisting the Wyoming Industrial Development Authority to apply for a permit from DEP for Stormwater Discharge for the proposed Iroquois Trail. The portion that is in the Twp is the old railroad bed off Sunnyside Rd.

PSATS –Bylaw Change - The Association forwarded a copy of a proposed bylaws change that will be brought before the delegates to vote on at the State Conference in April. The change is how to determine the amount of dues to be charged. The new bylaw would tie the dues to the consumer price index. The twps. would be notified by Oct. 31<sup>st</sup> of the new dues for the next year.

Penn Dot Bridge Inspection - Notification of Inspection Due Date for Tunk. Twp – Fox Road bridge will be May 18, 2011. Ken White talked to Northern Tier about the bridge being on the "TIP" schedule for replacement within the next 4 years.

DEP -Lake Winola Municipal Authority- a notice of violation was sent to Lake Winola for not submitting the required reports on time. We received a copy of this letter because the pipeline runs through portion of the twp. No action is required by the Board.

FEMA has submitted a letter outlining the follow-up steps and informational contacts for the FIRM Map updates. The Twp. will be responsible to notify all the new residents that are now included on the new floodplain maps and to amend our current Floodplain Ordinance before the end of the year. New maps will take effect early in 2012.

Wyoming Co. Assoc. of Twp Officials will hold their convention on March 15<sup>th</sup> at our bldg. at 7 PM.

#### CORRESPONDANCE

U'S AGAIN LLC – would like to place a large container to collect used articles of clothing and other items at the Twp. bldg. The Board will decline the offer.

#### Seminars:

Northeast Regional Contractor/Engineering workshop will be held at Keystone College on March 16<sup>th</sup>.

Spring Road Maint. Seminar – Mar 31<sup>st</sup> at Penn Dot, Dunmore.

Budgeting Issues and Land Use Planning - Mar. 19<sup>th</sup> in Clark Summit.

Dirt & Gravel Road Training – Apr 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> Springville. Ken will attend to get recertified.

#### OPEN TO THE FLOOR

Bob Baker asked the Board if any census information was received. White did receive a general report just recently. Information should be released by April 1<sup>st</sup>.

Joanne Fiorito gave the Board a report on fracking along with a CD. She described some of the information that is on the report.

White recessed to executive session at 7:45 PM. In attendance were the Board and Judy Gingher. Topic of discussion summer personal.

The meeting reconvened at 8:19 PM. A motion to hire Aaron Keich again this year to work in the park was made by White, second by Reich with Shupp in agreement. Reece Ayers will continue working in the park.

The meeting adjourned at 8:22 PM by a motion from White, second by Shupp with Reich in agreement.

Respectfully Submitted,

Judy Gingher, secy.