

The regular May meeting, was called to order by Chairman James Zefran on May 11, 2023 at 7:00 PM at the Clinton Township municipal building. Chairman James Zefran, Vice Chair Brad Bates, and Supervisor Brian Non were in attendance.

- A. Pledge of Allegiance** - The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
- B. Hearing Check** – The hearing check was done.
- C. Minutes of the April 10, 2023 Regular Monthly Meeting** - *Supervisor Chair Non made a motion, seconded by Vice Chair Bates to accept the minutes of the April 10, 2023 meeting. All voted yes. The motion carried.*
- D. Minutes of the May 4, 2023 Special Meeting** - *Supervisor Chair Non made a motion, seconded by Vice Chair Bates to accept the minutes of special May 4, 2023 meeting. All voted yes. The motion carried.*
- E. Public Comment –Items on Agenda Only** – Ray Vogt said that Bill of WRM did a phenomenal job ditching the roads. He recommended that the supervisors continue to award future bids to those companies that really know the roads and have proven themselves. Mr. Vogt inquired about grading and he was informed by Supervisor Non that Josh replaced pipes and Bill is coming back to grade. More will be discussed during the Road Master's report.

- A. Correspondence**
 - a. **Email requesting moving a “Slow Children Sign” on Ravnikar Rd.** – Ron Poska stated that the road workers did not move the sign, but instead, put up a new one at the requested spot.
 - b. **Wayne County Emergency Management meeting on May 17, 2023 at 6:30 pm at 43 Volunteer Drive, Honesdale, PA** - This was announced by Chair Zefran. He stated that Linda Zefran and Julieanne Doyle would be attending.
 - c. **Clinton Township has received a \$30,000 award under the Municipal Matching Grant Funding Project as part of the Counties ARP Program.** – Chair Zefran extended a thank you to Commissioner Smith, who was in the audience.

- B. New Business**
 - a. **Political Candidates** – Jacob Hanna, County Commissioner candidate spoke, as well as County Commissioner Brian Smith, who represented himself and candidate Shook. Appointed Supervisor Brad Bates and candidate Thomas Merrigan also spoke. Chair Zefran thanked all of the candidates.
 - b. **Auditor’s Report** – Auditor John Doyle gave a brief report, stating that there was no misappropriation of funds, but that he and the other auditors were working with Jennifer Schmidt of DCED on the reporting.
 - c. **Resolution 05.11.2023B; Pertaining to Browndale Fire Company** – Chair Zefran explained that the resolution was passed at the May 4 meeting and he presented a plaque to Mr. Bob Richards for fifty (50) years of community Service. John Doyle thanked Chair Zefran for his attendance and participation in recognizing the service of Mr. Richards. *Supervisor Non made a motion, seconded by Vice Chair Bates to pass the written Resolution 05.11.2023B. All voted yes. The motion carried.*
 - d. **Resolution 05.11.2023A; Price Adjustment of Bituminous Materials for Small Quantities** – Supervisor Brian Non read the resolution aloud. *Supervisor Non made a motion, seconded by Chair Zefran to pass Resolution 05.11.2023A. All voted yes. The motion carried.*

- e. **Resolution America250PA; Resolution supporting the Pennsylvania Commission for the United States Semiquincentennial** - Supervisor Non made a motion, seconded by Chair Zefran to pass Resolution America250PA. All voted yes. The motion carried.
- f. **Solar Panel Order** – Chair Zefran said that this would be brought up at next month's meeting with the Solicitor in attendance.
- g. **Change of meeting date from Wednesday, December 13, 2023 to 7:00 pm, Wednesday, December 6, 2023. This will be followed by the end of year meeting scheduled for 7:00 pm, Friday, December 29** - Supervisor Chair Non made a motion, seconded by Vice Chair Bates to change the December meeting date to December 6, 2023. All voted yes. The motion carried.
- h. **Clinton Township Planning Commission has recommended the following minor subdivision / lot consolidation plans for Supervisors' approval –**
 - i. **Lands of William & Deborah Piercy & Lands of Richard Piercy Jr.**
 - ii. **Margaret MacDonald**
 - iii. **Vincent A. Borzillo, Jr. and Cheryl L. Borzillo**

Chair Zefran said that the maps would be signed at the end of the meeting. Supervisor Chair Non made a motion, seconded by Chair Zefran to sign the maps at the end of the meeting. All voted yes. The motion carried.

C. Road Master Report

- a. **Bids for road work** – Road Master and Supervisor Non explained that Wayco got the bid to do Chestnut Rd. and Martin St. He had had a meeting with state to piggyback off the state for dust control. A resident spoke up and expressed concern with the dustiness on Ravnikar, as dust particles are very harmful. Non explained that as soon as grading is done, dust control will be applied. The township is going with Suit Kote, as we have had very good success with them before. Some roads will get calcium, and some will get oil. Oil is more expensive and cars may not travel on freshly oiled roads when the oil is wet. Chair Zefran said that tar and chipping will be done as more stone is added to the road. The supervisors are targeting Smith, Ravnikar, and Little Keen Rd (portion where ten homes are) for tar and chip.
- b. **Phone bids for pipe replacement work** – Pipe replacement was done by Debevec Excavating.

D. Treasurer's Report Including Bills for Payment

- Supervisor Non made a motion, seconded by Vice Chair Bates to pay the bills as submitted on the bills list. All voted yes. The motion carried.

E. Browndale Fire Department

– Chief Debevec gave an oral report and thanked Chair Zefran for coming to recognize Bob Richards' community service. A written report is on file.

F. Old Business

- a. **Generac Generator Warranty Extension Plans** – Mrs. Salak commented about the time when they were in the dark when bad weather came through on election day prior to the township's purchase of the generator. It was noted that the generator was already hooked up to the garage. Supervisor Non made a motion, seconded by Vice Chair Non to obtain the ten-year plan. (This plan is pro-rated, as it was not purchased at the time of the generator acquisition, so it will give the township approximately seven years of coverage.)
- b. **Hearing: Ordinance to Regulate Short-Term Rentals within the Township and to Establish Penalties for Violations – This will take place at the June 12, 2023 meeting** – Chair Zefran explained that Solicitor Treat was continuing to tweak the ordinance and the hearing would be addressed at the June meeting.

G. Public Comment

– Leonard Shumacher complained about a neighbor bringing in destroyed trailers onto his property. He explained that the neighbor had brought in two mobile homes without permits

for both. Donnie Salak, permit officer, explained that he had been dealing with 249 Smith Rd, he had no names, and had not been able to get in touch with anyone. Someone spoke up from the audience and said that the name was Farley. Chair Zefran told Salak to get in touch with the sheriff. Supervisor Non asked Commissioner Smit if there was any officer from the county to assist in touchy matters with non-compliant citizens, to which he was told to contact the police. Ray Vogt spoke up about the current township building. He pointed to the new windows, insulation in the ceiling, and new siding. He wondered about the supervisor's plan to abandon this building. He asked if it would be unheated. He stated that he is against the new building addition. Chair Zefran said that there would be a major discussion at the next meeting. He went on to say that the township will have the current sewer system scoped out. Currently no one knows what we are dealing with. Having the current system scoped out will give us a great deal of information about how possible it is for the bathroom of the newly proposed building to tap into the current system for sewerage. He said that as far as siding and windows go, those come under the category of regular maintenance. He said that some residents feel that the school system gets the right of first refusal if the old school building is no longer used for the township building. He said that the school board want nothing to do with this old school building. He stated that heat and light cost approximately \$8,000 in 2022 and that he will have a cost breakdown at the next meeting. Chair Zefran said to look at all of the old area school buildings that have been torn down. Supervisor Non said that in spite of the ramp, the new building would be far more handicapped accessible. Mr. Lopotosky asked if trucks need to be replaced? Jason Vogt said that his gut reaction was to be against the new building addition. He spoke of the need to have more accessibility to the website. He understands that newspaper legal ads are currently used. He asked about the township to consider using social media. Supervisor Non spoke up saying that he is not for it as we have tried it in the past and people use it to bash the township.

H. Adjournment –Chair Zefran made a motion, seconded by Vice Chair Non to adjourn the meeting at 8:03 pm. All voted yes. The motion carried.