

August 8, 2018
Clinton Township Board of Supervisors Meeting

The regular August meeting of the Clinton Township Board of Supervisors was called to order by Chairman Ken Coles on August 8, 2018 at 7:01 PM at the Clinton Township municipal building. Chairman Kenneth Coles, Vice Chair Brian Non and Supervisor Russell Curtis were present.

A. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

B. Hearing Check / Meeting is audio and visual recorded - Noted

C. Public Comment – Items on the Agenda Only – Ray Vogt commented that the roads look good. He voiced concern for a sluice pipe on Town Hill Road. He expressed his opinion that Ciccone had done a better job in the past with the vibratory roller, but he agreed that township roads are better than every state road. Mark Christine inquired about the Nuisance Ordinance violation at 926 Elk Lake Drive. Supervisor Curtis stated that Enforcement Officer Dolph had been there. It was explained that there were now ten business days from July 30, 2018 for the issues to be taken care of. No more extensions would be given, as Chair Coles had already extended that grace. He explained that the residents had complied with the original complaint and that we now have to start over with the process. The question was brought up that the residents are not the owners and it was asked if the correct persons are being served. Chair Coles explained that the Township is serving the properties, not the people. Marie Torquati presented a letter from the realtor showing that the value of her Elk Lake property, which she is trying to sell, is being negatively affected because of the issues that were being discussed. Chair Coles reiterated that the township is doing their best to alleviate the problem. Torquati said that the State Police have been called and that county representatives had been there with Hazmat suits stating that children had been taken out of the residents. Chair Coles stated that other agencies are not permitted to talk to township supervisors about anything they see in the house. When concern was expressed about cleanup including burning items with toxic odors, Chair Coles reminded citizens that burning things other than paper products is against DEP regulations. Vice Chair Non added that concerns expressed may be worth a call to the Conservation District and he noted that the Conservation District has more power than the State Police.

D. Minutes of Regular Meeting July 11, 2018- Supervisor Coles made a motion, seconded by Vice Chair Non to accept the minutes of the regular July 11, 2018 meeting. All voted yes. The motion carried.

E. Treasurer's Report Including Bills for Payment – Supervisor Cole stated that before he made a motion to pay the bills, he wanted it noted that while Linde had bid a cheaper per hour price, the township has paid Linde far more than Ciccone, to the tune of \$8,000.00. Chair Coles noted that Ciccone's price last year was higher, as it included miles of ditching every township dirt road. In years prior to that, Ciccone's price ranged between twenty and thirty thousand dollars. Supervisor Curtis interjected his satisfaction of Linde's job. Vice Chair Non stated that both Coles and Curtis were correct and that Linde did a good job and that it did indeed take a little longer. Chair Coles made a motion, seconded by Vice Chair Non to pay all of the bills as presented. All voted yes. The motion carried.

F. Road Master Report – Road Master and Vice Chair Non gave an oral report, stating that he met with Hansen regarding several township roads. He said that Smith Road was not worth chipping and that the township should do a two-inch overlay for the mile and a half. Ravnika should be done from blacktop to blacktop. Vice Chair Non said that his intention was not to get anybody's hopes up, but wanted to see what the township could afford so he made a motion, seconded by Chair Coles to put a separate bid out for one pass paving each, for parts of Smith, Ravnika, and Flat Rock Roads. Each road bid should show a per job figure and a square foot figure. The motion was seconded by Chair Coles and all voted yes. The motion carried. Vice Chair Non noted that if paved, these roads must be tarred and chipped in two years to seal them up. He then changed the topic to the windmill money, which the township receives yearly, has not yet come in.

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Additionally, Vice Chair Non made a motion to sell the Brush Hog, stating that he has a buyer and can get \$100 dollars for it, in spite of the fact that the PTO shaft is bent. The motion was seconded by Chair Coles. All voted yes. The motion carried.

G. **Open Issues** – None

H. **New Business**

- a. **Wayne County Department of Planning is offering a planning school entitled “The Course of Community Planning”. It will be held at the Wayne County Park Street Complex on September 11, 18, and 25 from 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm.** – While none of the Supervisors expressed interest in taking the course, Chair Coles asked Secretary Droppa to let the Planning Commission know of the course.
- b. **Pennsylvania Flood Plain Management (PAFPM) is having their annual conference on September 18-19 in Harrisburg, PA** – It was noted that the flood plain in Clinton Township is located on state road 170.

I. **Bowndale Fire Department** – Fire Chief Josh Debevic gave an oral report. A written report is on file.

J. **Public Comment** – Supervisor Curtis discussed a drainage pipe on Marion Street in Browndale and Fire Chief Debevic agreed that the Fire Department would use a fire truck to flush it out. Kurtis Howells asked about a drainage pipe that goes through his property to which Supervisor Curtis said that that’s all going to be paved on Front Street. Vice Chair Non noted that a pipe on the upper side of Burns Road is collapsing. Chair Coles made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Curtis that Vice Chair Non would take care of the Flood Plain Maps. All voted yes. The motion carried. Chair Coles commented that he thought the township was up to date on Flood Plain issues. He had to go to a lot of sessions on flood plain issues about five years ago. Chief Debevic let the Supervisors know that there is a pipeline safety course in Montrose, PA on the 29th of August. Secretary Droppa was asked to advertise a work session for the Supervisors and Fire Department on September 6, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. at the Browndale Fire House. A citizen asked if the local earned income tax brings ½ of one percent to the township to which he was told that it was. When asked if they were for or against mineral rights, Chair Coles and Supervisor Curtis both said that they were for it and that Senator Lisa Baker and Republican State Representative John Frits as well as the County Commissioners were working towards bettering the economy of Wayne County by allowing drilling. Vice Chair Non spoke of Eric, who lost a lot of equipment in a recent fire and said that he like to see if they needed assistance from the township with cleanup, to which Chair Coles assented.

K. **Adjournment** – Chair Coles made a motion, seconded by Vice Chair Non to adjourn the meeting at 7:44 p.m. All voted yes. The motion carried.