

CHERRY TOWNSHIP REGULAR MEETING

MAY 7, 2024

The regular meeting of the Cherry Township Supervisors was held on May 7, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. in the Township Municipal Building. Those present were Mr. William Smith, Mr. David Mishler, and Mr. Gary Blausler. One resident was in attendance.

Mr. Smith called the meeting to order. There were no public comments.

Bids for the tar and chip projects in the Township were opened, and results are as follows:

| | <u>Seal Coat per unit</u> | <u>Surface Treatment per unit</u> | <u>Total Bid</u> |
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| Youngblood Paving | \$ 1.89 | \$ 6.30 | \$116,876.97 |
| Midland Asphalt | \$ 2.29 | \$ 6.80 | \$134,593.67 |
| Russell Standard | \$ 1.73 | \$ 5.43 | \$104,146.88 |

Mr. Mishler made a motion to award the entire bid to Russell Standard. Mr. Smith seconded the motion. All three supervisors voted yes. The motion carried. Mr. Smith will coordinate with Russell Standard to set up times for the work to be done.

The minutes of the April 2, 2024 meeting were reviewed. There were no additions or corrections. Mr. Mishler made a motion to accept the minutes. Mr. Blausler seconded the motion. All three supervisors voted yes. The motion carried.

The financial report as of May 7 was reviewed. Mr. Mishler made a motion to accept the financial report. Mr. Smith seconded the motion. All three supervisors voted yes. The motion carried.

Mr. Smith gave the Road Master’s Report. Two weeks were spent on repairing damage from the heavy rains and flooded roads. Road needing work were Findlay, Roenigk, Wolford, Coaltown (tar and chip damage), Sunbury, Moniteau by Stockham’s, Grubb, Redbrush, Hungarian, Chambers, Windy, Harrisville by Farren’s, Swope, and Brimstone. Trees were down and cleaned up on Wolford, Pipestem, Harrisville, Beaverdam, Moniteau, Sunbury, Redbrush, and Ferguson. Cold patching was done on all tar and chip areas. A spring came to surface on Wolford and it softened the base of the road. We installed an underdrain in the road and put down stone to stabilize the base. A stop sign was replaced on Atwell Road. Mr. Mishler made a

motion to accept the Road Master's Report. Mr. Blauser seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Mr. Smith gave the Equipment and Maintenance Report. The Mack truck was at Tri-County for the coolant leak we have been dealing with. They think they have it figured out. The injectors are not sealed in the head. They will be tearing it down to see if the o-rings are leaking or the cups in the head where the injectors sit in are bad. They feel they can get it fixed this time. The Volvo was at Tri-County for an exhaust recall. Also the seal on the steering box was bad and was repaired on the Volvo. The spreader was removed from the one-ton truck. We fabricated another beaver screen and this month we are going to put in another culvert pipe close to the beaver area. There is too much water for the culvert that is already there to handle. Mr. Mishler made a motion to accept the Equipment and Maintenance Report. Mr. Blauser seconded the motion. The motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Mishler posed the question of whether we might be able to use the stainless steel bed on our current one-ton truck and install it onto the chassis of a new truck, and also use the plow we already have and build our own hydraulic system. Mr. Blauser stated that the frame on the bed of the old truck is completely gone. The hydraulic belt driven pump is also not in good shape and hoses are bad. The bed we have does not fit the frame on the new chassis. If we can build a new frame on the old bed, we may be able to make it work. Mr. Mishler stated that if we can cut out all the up-fit prices, we may be able to swing buying the cab and chassis. After a brief discussion, it was decided to get new quotes on the cab and chassis only, and try to use parts from the old one-ton to do the bed, hydraulics, and plow system. Once we have pricing, Mrs. Yeager can proceed with Mike Gallagher to have a borrowing statement prepared. He will need the amount of money we plan to borrow to enter into the paperwork for DCED approval.

Mark Reidenbach is working on the list of septic issues Mrs. Yeager supplied to him. He will give us a report as to where things stand as soon as he has contacted the people on the list.

NEW BUSINESS

Mrs. Yeager stated that she still has no paperwork at all from Collin Fantaskey. Mr. Smith asked Mrs. Yeager to contact Mike Gallagher to see if we can hold Collin's final check, for \$700.00, and give it to him once he turns over the paperwork. Mrs. Yeager will check with Mike to see if that would be appropriate.

Mrs. Yeager provided a letter from Desiree MacMillen regarding the noise coming from Camp Davis on Redbrush Road. They have parties every weekend and sometimes even during the week and they play very loud music all hours of the night. It was decided to send another letter

along with the noise ordinance to Camp Davis to see if they will willingly cut down on the noise. Mrs. Yeager will check with Mike Gallagher to see where we proceed after that if they do not cooperate with our request.

Colleen Berg contacted Mrs. Yeager to tell her that she and her son have started a business to do water testing for Small Flow Treatment Facilities and to send reports into the Township, as well as conducting the annual inspections for these septic facilities. She indicated that as busy as SEO's are, this could alleviate some of the work load for them. The Board discussed the possibility of bringing her in; however, we would like to see if Mark Reidenbach can get these things done on a timely basis. We would like to give Gateway and Mark the chance to do this work, as we have an agreement with them at this time. Mrs. Yeager will let Colleen know that we appreciate her contacting us and that if we need her services in the future, we will contact her.

Mr. Robert Hairhoger from the Marion Fire Department arrived at the meeting to discuss the lines of service for Moniteau and Grubb Roads in Cherry Township. Presently West Sunbury Fire Department is assigned as first call for that area with Unionville as the second call and backup to West Sunbury. Mr. Hairhoger would like the first call to go to Marion Township since they are closer and can respond much quicker. He stated that it used to be that way, but somehow it got changed when Emergency Management went to the CAD system of mapping. Mr. Mishler asked Mrs. Yeager to contact Emergency Management to see if they can provide a map of the area and how coverages are set up so we can have a better understanding of what is happening. Mrs. Yeager will call for the map and information about how fire companies are set up to respond as first, second, and so on.

There were no further public comments at this time.

Mr. Smith made a motion to adjourn the meeting and to sign checks to pay all bills. Mr. Mishler seconded the motion. All three supervisors voted yes. The motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m.