

West Mead Township
Supervisors Public Meeting
Minutes – December 8, 2020

The December 8, 2020, Public Meeting of the West Mead Township Board of Supervisors was called to order at 7:00 p.m. at the Township Building. Present were Supervisors Bovard, Jordan and Shartle. Also present: Alan Shaddinger, Chief Brown, Mike Crowley and Jill Dunlap.

Public Comment:

None

Regular Business:

Jordan moved, Shartle seconded to approve the November 10, 2020 Study Session and Regular Meeting Minutes, as presented. Vote - All Approved.

Shartle moved, Jordan seconded to accept the Treasurer's Report for November 2020 and approve payment of bills in the amount of \$133,402.12, subject to audit. Vote - All Approved.

Municipal Reports:

Chief Brown read the Police Report.

Shartle gave the Road Report. He noted the Road Department completed 4 days of winter maintenance, winterized and cleaned equipment, completed equipment repairs, cleaned up downed trees and finished leaf collection during the last month.

Dunlap gave the Zoning Report.

New Business:

Jordan moved, Shartle seconded to ratify to approve the CoronaVirus Relief Fund Governmental Recipient Agreement between West Mead Township and the Crawford County Commissioners in the amount of \$29,703.33 for the additional reimbursement of expenditures that were incurred due to the CoronaVirus COVID-19 Pandemic of 2020. Vote – All Approved.

The Board reviewed the Proposed 2021 Budget. A Budget Hearing was held for final review of the Proposed 2021 Budget. This budget does not contain a Real Estate Tax increase. Bovard provided an overview. There was no public comment. Shartle noted we may need to consider a tax increase in the future as costs are not going down for the services and roadwork

we provide. Jordan noted he was grateful we are holding our own and not raising taxes due to the pandemic this year. Bovard stated we have to live within our means and he would be a no vote to raising taxes.

Jordan moved, Shartle seconded to adopt Resolution No. 2020 – 10, adopting the 2021 Budget and Resolution No. 2020 – 11, setting the real estate tax millage for 2021 at 4.25 mills. Vote – All Approved.

Jordan moved, Shartle seconded to approve Resolution No. 2020 – 12, authorizing the borrowing of \$60,000.00 from the West Mead Township Capital Reserve Fund as authorized under Ordinance No. 1999 – 4, for purposes being the purchase of a new 2020 JCB Backhoe with annual reimbursement payments of \$20,000.00 to be made from the West Mead Township General Fund for the next three years. The Backhoe will be purchased from Stephenson Equipment Inc. under the state COSTARS program for \$111,000.00. Vote – All Approved.

Jordan moved, Shartle seconded to approve Resolution No. 2020 – 13, authorizing the sale of personal Township Property pursuant to Section 1504 of the Second Class Township Code for the sale of the 2009 JCB Backhoe with Attachments and Bucket to East Mead Township for \$38,000.00. Vote – All Approved.

The Chairman noted a donation of \$200.00 was received from the Kiwanis Club of Meadville to be used toward future projects to be completed at Oak Grove Park.

The Chairman noted the Organizational Meeting will be held on January 4, 2021 at 5:00 p.m. followed by the regular monthly meeting.

Public Comment:

None

Supervisors Final Comment:

Jordan wished all a healthy and prosperous 2021 and hope everyone stays safe.

Shartle reminded residents to secure their mailboxes and garbage cans.

Bovard wished everyone a very Merry Christmas and to make the best of it.

Being no further business, Jordan moved, Shartle seconded to adjourn the meeting at 7:26 p.m. Vote - All Approved.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jill M. Dunlap
Secretary