

West Mead Township Board of Supervisors

Public Study Session Minutes

July 12, 2022 - 6:00 p.m.

Present: Supervisors Bovard, Jordan and Shartle. Also present: Paul Martin, William Spencer, Catherine Spencer, Alan Shaddinger, Mike Crowley and Jill Dunlap.

Note: This is a public meeting of the Board of Supervisors for purposes of general discussion of administrative, regulatory enforcement; police and road department and personnel; building and grounds; budget and related matters and issues related thereto that may or may not require action. It is also used to review and comment on the public meeting agenda for the regular public meeting.

Note: The Police Department Utility Vehicle has been delivered by McCandless Ford to IVS US for additional upfitting. The purchase was authorized under Resolution No. 2022 – 3, using a portion of the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funding.

The Chairman noted the above items.

Public Comment:

William and Catherine Spencer requested road water run off issues onto their property from Meadowland Drive be addressed prior to the paving that is set to occur this summer. Discussion was had on the super elevation of the road when constructed, blacktop crown and heavy storms that occur more frequently now. They put over 40 tons of gravel in their driveway which has helped but they had requested all Supervisors be aware of the situation so it can be corrected now instead of becoming more of a problem in the future.

Shartle moved, Jordan seconded to ratify Trux Inc. to complete various repair work as directed by the Roadmaster on the 2007 Mack Granite Truck in the amount of \$13,434.21. Vote – All Approved.

Dunlap discussed obtaining repair and replacement costs for both West Mead Township building rooftop furnace and cooling units. For a number of years, she has been recommending their replacement but money was never set aside during the budget process for this, instead being put into vehicle and equipment purchases. The Police Unit is currently running on its backup compressor since the valves in the main compressor stopped working. By replacing only the valve, costs are high and she recommended the money be spent replacing the Police Unit at this time. Units may take 6-8 weeks to order and receive, as well as various shops have indicated scheduling the work may be months out. Quotes may be acceptable to replace one immediate unit due to the Second Class Township Code requirements. To replace both units would fall under the bid process. Bovard recommended and all agreed to have Dunlap get quotes and order a new Police Unit, estimated at under \$21,900.00, to be ratified at the next meeting.

Shartle discussed the Annual Agility Agreement with PennDOT. Line painting is not available as an option this year due to limited supplies. They are offering crack sealing of 14.86 miles instead, to offset the \$19,485.00 we do in boom mowing for them along state roadways. All agreed this was acceptable with crack sealing to be done on Williamson Road, Stauffer Road, Leslie Road and Liberty Street during the summer of 2022.

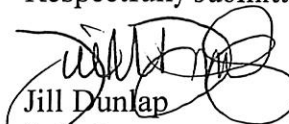
The Board discussed a possible Part Time Inspection Station Mechanic Position for the Road Department. Dunlap had talked with our State Inspection Station representative regarding updating our license and what would be necessary. All agreed to have the Secretary and Roadmaster further investigate the matter and continue moving forward on this as it could save the Township time and money by paying someone a set rate while doing the work here instead of having to take the equipment for simple items to an independent garage.

Shartle discussed a request he received from Ken Miller on Kuhn Street requesting the Township's help to remove a massive tree on his property that is located out of the road right of way. Jordan and Bovard both recommended he contact a commercial tree company professional to have the work done and with no assistance from the Township.

The Board reviewed the items on the 7:00 meeting agenda.

Being no further business, Jordan moved, Shartle seconded to adjourn the meeting at 6:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Jill Dunlap
Secretary