

WOODCOCK TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS MEETING MINUTES March 14, 2023

The Board of Supervisors of Woodcock Township met on Tuesday at 5:00 p.m. for their regular meeting. Chairman Winters opened this meeting with the following present:

Supervisors Winters and Jason Crawford. Supervisor Randall Chess attended via phone due to illness.

Renee Hayes, Secretary/Treasurer

Guests: Dan Norton, Sarah Medvec, Corey Free, Richard Byham & Susan Black.

There were no public comments on agenda items at this time.

Approval of Minutes Chess made a motion to approve the minutes from the February 14, meeting with the following amendment/clarification: *“Employees who are called to report to work outside of their regularly scheduled shift for an unplanned event, such as a tornado, hurricane, flooding-type incidents, will be paid call-out pay of at least four(4) hours at their overtime rate, even if the actual time worked is less than four hours. Snow events are an expected part of this job and are not considered “unplanned events.”* Crawford seconded and the motion was approved by unanimous vote.

Payment of Bills Chess made a motion to approve the payment of the bills & payroll, Crawford seconded and the motion was approved by unanimous vote.

RFQ Award for aggregates for Stoltz & Fisher Rd.’s Grant Projects as well as township stockpile. Motion to award to the following by Crawford- Hillside was awarded: 2RC @ \$14/ton; R-5 @ \$36/ton; R-6 @ \$36/ton; R-5 @ \$48/ton; 2A @ \$14.55/ton. Lakeland Aggregate was awarded R-4 @ \$32/ton. Hasbrouck’s was awarded #57’s @ \$21.79/ton. Motion was seconded by Chess and was approved by unanimous vote.

Red Cross The Board tabled discussion on allowing the Red Cross to use the building as a emergency / temporary shelter & delivery site for disaster victims to do more research.

Sign Request Hidden Drive & Speed Limit signs were requested by Vogan’s on Gravel Run Rd. They are building a house and the sight distance for their driveway is not good. Hayes explained the procedure that the Township would have to request PennDOT to do a study to see if those signs could be placed as well as re-locating an existing School Bus Stop Ahead Sign. Crawford moved to authorize Hayes to request the study by PennDOT for the signs, seconded by Chess. After calling for and hearing no public comment or opposition the motion was approved by unanimous vote.

SALDO Revision: Crawford moved to have the Solicitor review the SALDO before final adoption, seconded by Chess. After calling for and hearing no public comment or opposition the motion was approved by unanimous vote.

New Hire Three individuals were interviewed for the road crew position on 3/9/2023. After discussion, Crawford moved to hire Mark Whitman @ \$18/hour, seconded by Chess. Mark has a CDL-B, currently works for Davey Tree Service and intends to get a CDL-A. After calling for and hearing no public comment or opposition the motion was approved by unanimous vote.

Millings Chess moved to hire Wilkinson’s to grind the 1600 tons of millings for \$5600 in conjunction with West Mead & East Mead Townships. The Townships will get the millings from PennDOT’s asphalt project on Rt. 198 this summer and is the reason for our Agility Program w/ PennDOT where the Township will mow some State Roads in return for the millings. Seconded by Crawford. After calling for and hearing no public comment or opposition the motion was approved by unanimous vote.

Amend Agenda Crawford moved to amend the agenda to include review and possible acceptance of mowing the township grounds, Peiffer Cemetery and the ballfield, seconded by Chess. After calling for and hearing no public comment or opposition the motion was approved by unanimous vote.

Mowing Quote Al Bardeen submitted a quote for mowing the township grounds for \$232/time, the ballfield for \$190/time and the Peiffer Cemetery for \$ 310/time. Crawford moved to accept the quote, seconded by Chess. After calling for and hearing no public comment or opposition the motion was approved by unanimous vote.

Department Reports:

Road Department: Jason Crawford reported cleanup of downed tree limbs; cleaned up leaves; cut brush w/ new brush cutter; maintained grader; performed winter maintenance on roads; ditcher wheel is running.

Tax Collector: County and Township taxes were mailed Feb. 27 & 28; Office hours 3/16.

Zoning: Renee Hayes reported one new pole building; 1 denied permit that will go to ZHB; Lilly Conex violation resolved.

Public Comment

Dan Norton wondered what kind of dust control would be used this year? Crawford explained that stuff that works, the township cannot afford and we continue to work on that. Dan asked what will the township do with the ½ mill that is being collected for EMS since Meadville Ambulance Service said it would not ask for money this year. Winters explained that it can be used for other emergency entities in addition to medical and we are just waiting to see.

Crawford explained the township is in a pilot program with PennDOT to see if a smaller stone will do better on our dirt roads. Four thousand tons of 2A modified passing a 1” screen is being bid out and we’ll be awarding that bid next month.

There being no further business, Chess moved to adjourn at 5:55 p.m. Crawford seconded and the meeting was adjourned.

Renee D. Hayes, Secretary