

Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes

March 21st, 2022

Chairman Lafy opened the meeting at 6:30pm by calling for the pledge of allegiance. The Township meeting was held at the Township Municipal Building at 1774 N. Middle Rd, Ulster PA 18850. Present at the meeting were Chairman Lafy, Vice- Chairman Holdren, John Smith member and Secretary/Treasurer Lori Kepner. Visitors present were Chris Wood and Jim Smith. Lafy motioned to approve the minutes of the February 14th, 2022 regular Meeting minutes. Smith seconded and all agreed. Jim Smith discussed the issue with garbage along Ghent Hill road at a residence and wanted to know what the Township could do to help. The board explained they do not have a property maintenance ordinance but maybe someone from DEP could help. Lafy will try to contact DEP and see if there's anything that they can do.

The Road Master Smith provided a verbal report. The board received and reviewed two bids for the trucks that were bid out from the February meeting. For a 2015 Freightliner the bid was \$81,800.00 with hauling to the township from Charlebois Inc, the bid for the 2016 was for \$88,800 with hauling to the township from Charlesbois Inc. After much discussion; Holdren made the motion to accept the two bids received from Charlesbois Inc with them hauling the trucks to the Township. Smith seconded the motion so moved. The purchase will come out of the Impact Fee account when the trucks are ready to be delivered for payment. The board discussed bids for fuel deliveries and anti-skid. Smith made a motion to advertise for bids for 9000 gallons of diesel fuel, and approximately 1500 ton of AS-2 antiskid state approved. Holdren seconded and all agreed.

OLD BUSINESS:

There was nothing new with EMC, or the Web site. Lori is still working on the new sign quote for the Garage/Township office location for a Blue Stone Carved Sign. We received a phone call from John Maloney from Black Knight Quarries, on the 2022 mowing season. They will no longer be able to mow due to an illness that has occurred with the person who does the mowing jobs. The board only had one other bid received from Kepner Lawn Service for \$460.00 per mowing. Holdren made the motion to accept the bid from Kepner Lawn Service. Smith seconded and all agreed. The board received the breakdown of charges for the Ulster Fire Dept.'s Workers Comp portion of insurance from Ulster Township. After Gannon Associations representative detailed the break down, Lafy made the motion to pay the insurance bill that the Township is required to pay. Smith seconded the motion and all agreed. Chris Wood, from Hunt Engineering, went over the Townships options for various bridge projects and the Warner Hill road slide. He had provided the township with an Intergovernmental Agreement from PennDot for the Township to sign for the Electronic Access to PennDot's Systems for Political Subdivisions, this will allow Penndot and Sheshequin Township to work together on the Crowley Hollow bridge project. He also provided the resolution for the Township to sign as well. Lafy made the motion to sign the agreement and approve the resolution provided by Chris Wood, Smith seconded and all agreed. Chris Wood provided a Proposal for engineering costs for repairs/one way road for Warner Hill Road. The board reviewed the proposal. Lafy made a motion to accept the proposal from Hunt Engineering for \$3200.00 for their cost to do the engineering study for the Township for Warner Hill Road. Holdren seconded the motion and all agreed.

New business:

The board discussed pay rates for new employees and current employees. The township is trying to hire a CDL employee/ equipment/general laborer and they haven't had but only one person respond at this time. Kurt suggested that Smith and Holdren meet with this person and decide if he is right for the position. Smith is to contact him for an interview. The board is not sure what they will want to offer for a starting wage at this time. Lafy made a motion to have a special meeting on April 7th, 2022 at 3:30pm to set rates for a new employee and current employees along with any other benefits. Smith seconded the motion and all agreed. Lafy also made a motion to advertise the position with the addition of competitive wages offered. Holdren seconded the motion and all agreed. The secretary will advertise the special meeting.

Smith made a motion to approve the bills and the treasurer's report. Holdren seconded and all agreed.

Lafy made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:40pm so moved. Our next meeting will be on March 21st, 2022 at 3:30pm.

Minutes prepared by Lori Kepner, Secretary