

West Bethlehem Township Meeting Minutes: June 9th, 2020 Location: Steps of Township Building

Attendance: Lars Lange/Vice Chairman/Supervisor, Dave Garland/Supervisor; Betsy Benning/Secretary Treasurer; Absent: Tom Donahoo/Chairman/Supervisor/Roadmaster

Announcement: *This meeting is being audio and video taped as an aid to the Secretary only and is not to be considered an official record of business.*

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Pledge of Allegiance: I pledge Allegiance to the flag of the United States, and to the Republic, for which it stands, one Nation Under God, indivisible, With Liberty and Justice for all.

Citizens Participation:

~ Paulette Banard mentioning for a friend, Andrea Slack, (of Jefferson Ave) issues the resident is having with her driveway flooding when it rains.

~Karen Drill lives on Meadow Lane, she had concerns over the bad road condition as well as the blight as she drives from her home to the Township meetings. She mentions uncut grass and trees growing into houses, etc.

~Paulette Banard asks – what happens when a complaint over such issues is brought up? Is Code enforcement notified? What is the process?

Supervisor Lars explains using Code Enforcement is very expensive, WBT is trying to handle such issues on their own to save taxpayer monies.

~Paul Crowe states he cuts his daughter's grass (located in the Fairfield Plan) and is having concerns about a resident there, located at 3 Church Street not cutting their grass, nor trimming their trees. When the grass cutting doesn't take place, it's very hard to see out around the corner of the road while pulling out due to the uncut grass, as well as the tree limbs that are hanging down; traffic flows on Beallsville Rd very fast and it's a danger pulling out from the streets in this plan. **Supervisor Lars** states the State Police can be phoned regarding the speeding issues on Beallsville Road.

~ Betty Girdish thanked Dave Garland for his hard work enhancing the front of the Township Building with new dry stack blocks. **Supervisor Dave** states Garland's Greenhouse will soon be donating new plants to further upgrade the area.

Motion: to accept the Minutes of the Previous Meeting:

Motion by: ___ Tom Donahoo _2nd ___ Lars Lange ___ M ___ Dave Garland, all voted yeas, Motion Carried.

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Bills Paid after last meeting: Waste Management, \$255.64(2 months); West Penn Power, \$511.17; UPMC Health Coverage, \$5907.20; Consolidated Communications, \$190.66; PSATS, \$135.00; Columbia Gas, \$97.99; Office Depot, \$86.49; Betty Girdish, \$32.99(reimbursement-envelopes); US Postmaster, \$110.00

****CORRECTION- NEW BILLS LISTED BELOW: (missed being on document for township meeting Motion period)**

Motion: to pay new Bills: Gregory & Lynn Plitt, \$19.15(Township Tax overpayment); MWBJSA, \$45.00; Observer Reporter, \$132.60; Office Depot, \$156.98; SPWA, \$23.61; Unifirst, \$600.87; Yablonski, Costello, & Leckie, \$400.00; Bottled Gas Service, \$110.00; Amos Enterprises, \$520.00; Dave Garland, \$540.10 (repayment new lights/Twp building); Lowes, \$432.31; American Glass & Mirror, \$253.00; Briggs Tire Service, \$155.00;

Motion: to pay bills: Motion by Lars Lange, 2nd by Dave Garland, all voted yeas, Motion carried.

Correspondence:

~DEP permit to build a handicap access ramp on Daniels' Run Rd.

Road Master Report:

~patching potholes

~ mowing and trimming trees on the Township roads

Solicitor Report

~ nothing to report

Old Business:

~ Census- West Bethlehem Township response rate is lagging significantly behind the Washington County Average.

~Phase II proceeding at the Slate Dump

~WBT applied for a Grant aimed at upgrading the WBT Park. This will include such items as paving the walking path encircling the Ball Field, playground equipment updating and adding a dog park.

New Business:

Motion: to create a Resolution for 1 of the West Bethlehem Twp Supervisors to be a Library Board Member continually.

Motion: ___ Tom Donahoo ___ M ___ Lars Lange ___ 2nd ___ Dave Garland, all voted yeas,
Motion Carried

Motion: Resolution to create a leasing agreement with Marianna Community Library.

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Motion by: ___ Tom Donahoo ___ M ___ Lars Lange ___ 2nd ___ Dave Garland, all voted yeas, Motion Carried

Motion: Resolution to cover Marianna Community Library under our insurance policies with Higbee Insurance.

Motion by: ___ Tom Donahoo ___ M ___ Lars Lange ___ 2nd ___ Dave Garland, all voted yeas, Motion Carried

Motion: to sign the PA Dot Winter Municipal Snow Agreement

Motion by: ___ Tom Donahoo ___ M ___ Lars Lange ___ 2nd ___ Dave Garland, all voted yeas, Motion Carried

Motion: Re opening the West Bethlehem Township Park? Rates?

Motion by: ___ Tom Donahoo ___ M ___ Lars Lange ___ 2nd ___ Dave Garland, all voted yeas, Motion Carried

Motion: to sign the Fire Agreement with the MVFC.

Motion by: ___ Tom Donahoo ___ M ___ Lars Lange ___ 2nd ___ Dave Garland, all voted yeas, Motion Carried

Meeting adjourned: 6:34pm

Attest
Secretary
Fuller

