

ORANGE TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS REGULAR MEETING

2028 STATE ROUTE 487

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Call to Order:

The meeting of the Orange Township Supervisors was called to order at 7:30 pm by Chairman Calvin Fox. Attending were, Supervisor John Long, Secretary/Treasurer Erika Burkhart, Supervisor Gene "Dan" Fetterman, Pat Brewster, John Thackray, Judy Bickel, Jennifer Smith, Susan Stone.

Minutes: The minutes of the July 1, 2021 meeting was presented and approved.

Recognition of Guests: Judy Bickel thanked the Supervisors for having the motors replaced on the walk-in freezer. She stated the food bank Board agreed to pay for the motors if the Township wanted. Calvin Fox reminded her the Township would continue to pay for Township property, the food bank did not need to be concerned about paying.

Mt. Pleasant Sewer: No report.

Woods Edge Sewer: No report.

Treasurers Report:

General Fund	265668.11
ARPA	64582.64
State Fund	313028.41
Mt. Plsnt Sewer	49477.71
Woods Edge Sewer	5447.29

Bills: Supervisor John Long made a motion to approve the paid bills. Dan Fetterman seconded. Motion approved.

Police Report:

Zoning and SEO Report: Chris Bower had nothing to report.

Roadmaster: Calvin Fox reported finished they have been doing tree removal, mowing, and hope to have Stoneybrook creek cleaned up soon.

Old Business:

KLINE ROAD BID REJECTIONS: John Long made a motion to reject all bids from last month's meeting due to bidding discrepancies associated with an online bidding forum that may or may not have posted the correct bid information and one of the contractors requested a special pre bid meeting due to the fact he did not have the proper bidding documents at the time of the pre bid. Dan Fetterman seconded. Motion approved.

KLINE ROAD BID AWARD: The road was rebid and the bids were opened and read aloud. The results are as follows: : Robert Young \$98861.00, HRI \$85994.45, K. Dale Sellers \$109986.88, Don Bower \$93550.10, Glenn Hawbaker \$91301.00, Dave Gutelius \$91998.24. John Long made a motion to accept the low bid from HRI Inc in the amount of \$85994.45. Dan Fetterman seconded. Motion approved.

New Business:

FOOD BANK REQUEST FOR CARDBOARD DUMPSTER: Judy Hoffman and Jennifer Smith explained Fought's Disposal is willing to provide the food bank with a cardboard only dumpster at no charge. They would like to find out from Fought's if the dumpster could be locked before setting it on the property. The Board was ok with the dumpster as long as it was placed out of the way of our crew's work space. It was requested Jack Donbach be consulted ahead of time to make certain it would be out of their way. The Board chose not to vote on this dumpster placement until they know for certain the food bank would be utilizing it. The Board agreed to allow the placement of the dumpster ahead of the next meeting if necessary. The food bank ladies agreed to send a formal request in writing via email before the next meeting.

WAGE INCREASE: John Long made a motion to approve a 3% raise for the Road Foreman and a 4% raise for the manager in order to keep up with inflation and recognize they continue to do a good job for the township. Dan Fetterman seconded. Motion approved.

PAVING REQUEST FROM RUSTY MAGEE: Rusty Magee shares a driveway with Woods Edge wastewater treatment plant and plans to pave his entire driveway. He has submitted a quote for the Woods Edge plant driveway and has requested the Township "pitch in what they can". Dan Fetterman explained paving the driveway was not on the Township's list of things to do however, it would help the road crew and save money in the future. Currently, the 2 manholes on the driveway are a problem for snowplowing as they are easily hit by snowplows and have damaged equipment. The paving of the driveway would alleviate the need to patch the driveway and potholes in the future. Because of the greater good the paving would do, Dan Fetterman made a motion to approve a contribution of \$4000 to the paving of Woods Edge Wastewater Treatment Plant driveway with the understanding the billing must come from the paving contractor, Sokol Inc., and the payment would be sent directly to them, they would vote in the future on where the allocation of money to the project comes from, whether it be from the ARPA funds or a loan from the General Fund. If the final rule for the ARPA funds suggests it is appropriate to spend the money on such infrastructure, they would vote then on using those funds. If this is not feasible, they would have to vote on a loan from the General Fund to be paid back in a set amount of time. John Long seconded. Calvin Fox abstained from the vote due to the fact a family

member's property is adjacent to the driveway and they may directly benefit from the paving. Motion approved.

LETTER TO PROPERTY OWNERS OF ECKROTH ROAD BARN FIRE: Erika Burkhart explained the Kevin Boyd from the fire company requested the Township bill the property owners on Eckroth Road, Aaron and Laura Taylor, for setting fire to their barn wood and calling the fire company to put the fire out. He used FEMA time and prices to come to a figure of \$387.50. The township is able to bill for extraordinary expenses with ordinance number 1994-1. Taylors paid. The check will be deposited into the general fund and re written directly to the fire company next week.

For the Good of the Township:

Adjournment: With no further business left to discuss, Supervisor John Long made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Supervisor Dan Fetterman seconded, motion approved. The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 pm.

Respectively Submitted,

Erika Burkhart

Orange Township Secretary/Treasurer