

**Connellsville Township Supervisors
Meeting minutes October 11, 2018**

- I. Call to Order-** Chairman Miner called the monthly meeting to order on Thursday, October 11, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.
- II. Pledge of Allegiance-** led by Chairman Miner.
- III. Roll Call-** The following persons were present- Supervisor Hann, Chairman Miner, Vice Chairman Carson, Secretary Darla Hann and Attorney Jack Purcell
- IV. Approval of Minutes-** A motion was made by Vice Chairman Carson to accept the regular meeting minutes from September 6, 2018. Second by Supervisor Hann. All in favor. Motion carried.
- V. Public participation-** *Betty Miller, Hosfelt Drive:* issues with water on her property, coming down from the property on the hill behind her, you can see where it is coming down 3 different ways into a ditch she dug. Supervisor Hann stated the pipe isn't big enough to handle that much water. She said water is also pooling in her front yard. Jim Knapp stated he will check into it next week with one of the Township guys. Supervisor Miner assured her he will follow up and get her an answer. She asked about diverting the water into the creek Supervisor Miner explained that there are regulations in place that do not allow that. *John Cole, DeMuth Road:* Stated that at Kentucky Fried Chicken there is 50 feet of parking lot and only 1 small drain; not enough to handle the water there and the properties around the restaurant are getting flooded. He also wanted to know why the Township was having the County take over the zoning. Supervisor Miner explained that it all comes down to money. Mr. Cole stated that two former secretaries stole money, why did that happen? Vice Chairman Carson said the forensic auditors could explain that to him. *Mr. Premus:* had pictures from the road in front of his house showing where the water crosses DeMuth, runs down his driveway and the road is getting washed out. He said that the work the township guys did helped but more still needs to be done. Mr. Cole and Mr. Premus questioned the ownership of Beals Lane. Supervisor Miner stated that Atty. Purcell is researching the matter now and we should have an answer soon. Discussion followed. *Ruthann Burd:* stated she has contacted the state about the flooding where she lives. The drain is on state road and there is also a culvert that is the states responsibility. Supervisor Miner stated that he spoke with Mr. Martin from PennDOT and he is supposed to come down and look at all the drains and drops in that area. If the problem isn't corrected Mr. Purcell suggested calling our state representatives and asking them to put pressure on PennDOT. *Betty Miller, Hosfelt Rd:* stated that water is pooling on the road on either side of the bridge. Supervisor Miner stated the Township will check it out and divert it off the road.
- VI. Secretary's Report-** Darla Hann reported that the NIMS report and the FHWA form have been submitted. 106 delinquent garbage letters were sent out. The Muncibid account is set up, and she is working with Jon to list the equipment to sell. How often the EMA phone bill gets submitted was discussed. It was decided whatever works best for them.
- VII. Treasurer's Report –** Treasurer's reports were read by Darla Hann and they are on file in the office. Motion made by Vice Chairman Carson to accept the Treasurer's reports. Second by Supervisor Hann. All in favor. Motion carried. Motion by Vice Chairman

Carson to accept the bank reconciliations for August. Second by Supervisor Hann. All in favor. Motion carried.

- VIII. Authorization to pay bills-** Motion made by Vice Chairman Carson to pay monthly bills. Second by Supervisor Hann. All in favor. Motion carried.
- IX. Correspondence-** Darla Hann received the following correspondence: Tomaro-Pounds Engineering have filed an application on behalf of the CMA with the DEP for an amendment to their Part II Bureau of Water Quality Management permit for their treatment facility. We received a flyer from Lewandowski Enterprise and information on a National Stormwater Center webinar.
- X. Committee Reports-**
- *Fire Dept.** – Vice Chairman Carson stated the as a fundraiser the fire department is sponsoring The Hubcaps on October 13th. You can call the fire department for tickets or they are available at Bikes Unlimited. Tickets are \$25.00
 - *Emergency Management-** NA
 - *Roadmaster** – Report for the month was read by Chairman Miner and is on file in the office.
 - *Planning Commission** – Darla Hann stated that the Planning Commission met about a subdivision for the Dairy Queen; there were some questions to the project and the Commission is waiting to hear back.
 - *Zoning Officer** – Todd Miner asked Jim Knapp about the problem with water on Falcon Drive. Mr. Knapp stated he went up when it was raining and could see where flow is coming from the church property, it could be their driveway is eroded. He will check it out during a heavy rain. Vice Chairman Carson stated it could possibly be resolved with a speed bump.
 - *Code Enforcement Officer** – The Code Enforcement report was ready by Secretary Darla Hann and is as follows: Scott C’s cut grass in back of their Classics Building. No agency will get involved with the Reilly situation because we don’t have enough “proof” of him living in the camper. He is attempting to clean the place up but not making much progress. The DeMuth Road residence reported they would be getting the water turned back on in two (2) weeks. The Cossell property was contracted to Dewitt Construction, the delay is due to equipment issues. No information on the condemned house on Dark Street about a permit to be demolished. Mr. Premus and Supervisor Minor stated the Mr. Premus does have the demolition permit. Some vehicles were moved on the old Cliff Hughes location.
 - *Supervisors – Supervisor Hann** – Asked if there was any chance of him getting compensation for all the running around he does for the Township. Supervisor Miner said that Lindsay Boors was looking into it and he could call and check with her.
- Vice Chairman Carson-** Nothing at this time.
- Chairman Miner** – Stated that several properties have been cleaned up: Hawthorne was cleaned, the township guys did the house on Blake and another house up by the fire department. Street lights are being installed and the Layton Alley project is almost complete – it needs paved yet. Supervisor Miner informed everyone that we did get the tractor and the guys like it.
- Supervisor Hann** – Stated that he would also like to know why he was not paid for the day he worked. Attorney Purcell explained the procedures that have to be followed in order for a Supervisor to work.
- XI. Unfinished Business** – Darla Hann received updated quotes on energy costs from WGL Energy. She also spoke with Scott Hartford and should know their rates the end of

October or the first part of November (they are requesting rates for over 400 accounts). It was decided to wait until all the quotes are in to make a decision.

XII. New Business – Hoffman Kennels has submitted a new contract for animal control that would go into effect January 1, 2019 for \$165.00 month. A \$5.00 increase monthly over last year. Motion by Vice Chairman Carson. Second by Supervisor Hann to accept the contract with Hoffman Kennels for animal control for 2019 at a cost of \$165 a month and \$85.00 for emergency calls. All in favor. Motion carried. West Penn Power will be holding a First Responder Electrical Safety Demonstration on October 15th in Youngwood. Vice Chairman Carson and Chairman Miner both said it is a very interesting demonstration and the township guys should go. Darla will get in touch with them and let them know.

XIII. Ordinances –

XIV. Resolutions –

XV. Adjournment- Vice Chairman Carson made a motion to adjourn. Second by Chairman Miner. All in favor. Motion carried.

Submitted by: _____ **Approved by:** _____