

WARRINGTON TOWNSHIP
Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors
Held, pursuant to due notice, in the Municipal Building
3345 Rosstown Road, Wellsville, PA 17365
Wednesday, September 2, 2020, 7:00 PM

Presiding: Supervisor John Dockery, Chairman
Supervisor George DeFrain
Supervisor Zachary Fickes
Supervisor Thomas Hawkins
Supervisor Jason Weaver

Staff Present: Attorney Donald Hoyt, Township Solicitor
Rebecca Knaub-Bradshaw, Township Manager and Secretary-Treasurer

The meeting was opened with the Pledge to the Flag.

Minutes. Motion was made by Supervisor Hawkins and seconded by Supervisor Fickes to approve the minutes of the August 29, 2020 meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

EMERGENCY SERVICES REPORTS

Wellsville Fire Company. The Fire Company responded to 9 calls in Warrington Township during the month of August 2020. Total number of calls during August was 28.

PUBLIC RECOGNITION

Mr. Joel Washok, Market Development Representative, Penn Waste. Mr. Washok was invited to attend the meeting by Supervisor Weaver to discuss adding one bulk item per week collection to the 1/1/2019 Warrington Township Trash Contract. Supervisor Weaver said that the current trash rate for 4 bag service is \$71.19 per quarter and would increase to \$75.69 per quarter; the rate for 8 bag service is \$80.46 and would increase to \$84.96 per quarter. Pay per bag service would remain at \$7.00 per bag. For customers that are on the pay per bag service, you may place one bulk item curbside only if there is an orange bag attached. Bulk items must have an orange bag attached in order to be collected on this service. Mr. Washok said Warrington is the only municipality without a bulk item contract. He said any item containing Freon would need to be scheduled prior to pick up. Electronics will not be accepted as well as construction or demo waste.

Residents present who commented:

Edward Mattos – in favor of bulk item pickup added to the contract, thinks the increase is minimal, would like a trash dumpster but is not allowed by ordinance.

Larry Moody – would like to have a choice of not using large item pickup and not increasing the trash bill

Benjamin Lance – will there be provisions for people who don't have trash pickup or use pay per bag

Brenda Sanderson – not in favor of weekly bulk item trash will be left sitting along the road

Debra Nattress – against all increases, would rather have people pay to take items to the Solid Waste so that people who don't have large items would not have an increase

Allan Winey – if he has a table and four chairs at 1 per week will be 5 weeks, 16 kitchen cabinets will be 16 weeks

Marg Prosser – said for the record, that Washington Township still has trash cleanup and that people on fixed income cannot afford increases

Bob Shelly – he remembers the years before the Township provided spring and fall cleanup, trash was dumped along roads, 1 or 2 years from now the roadsides will look like that again. He senses this leading into mandatory trash in Warrington Township.

Len Kotz - The website requires "You must call Penn Waste to arrange your large item pickup"

Motion was made by Supervisor Weaver and seconded by Supervisor Fickes to change the trash contract to include the one bulk Item per week proposal and add \$4.50 per quarter to the current contract prices. Motion carried with Supervisor Weaver, Supervisor Fickes and Supervisor Hawkins in favor and Supervisor DeFrain and Supervisor Dockery opposing.

SUBDIVISION/LAND DEVELOPMENT PLANS/PLANNING MODULES

Martin Petratos and Connie Greenawalt, Spangler Road. The developer agrees to grant the Board of Supervisors until November 26, 2020 in which to consider the subdivision plan by David Hoffman Land Surveying dated November 15, 2016 and last revised October 18, 2017. Motion was made by Supervisor DeFrain and seconded by Supervisor Hawkins to grant an extension of time to act on this subdivision until November 26, 2020. Motion carried unanimously.

BUSINESS AND STAFF REPORTS

Solicitor

Pennsy Supply letter. Invoices were received from Pennsy Supply for 9.5 mm Superpave at a rate higher than approved by the material bid amount in March. Pennsy said "per the quote Penn DOT escalation applies due to the increased oil index". The Solicitor researched the contract and directed the Manager to answer appropriately. The invoice will be paid at bid price.

Central Penn Sporting Clays. Central Penn has postponed their Zoning Hearing request of 2018 to convert existing barns into wedding reception and other party venues. The Township has received complaints that wedding events are held and are a nuisance to neighboring residents. The Solicitor filed a civil complaint for the violation.

Manager

District 1 Septic Pumping. District 1 pumping letters were prepared and mailed September 1st. District 1 residents must pump by August 31, 2021.

District 4 Septic Pumping. Violation letters are being prepared for properties that have not been pumped by August 31, 2020. The Manager asked if the Board would grant an extension due to the COVID crisis. Supervisor Dockery said to contact the property owner to ask if there is a reason the pumping was not done. Supervisor Weaver said to send the notices as usual.

Health Insurance. A new rate sheet was received from Commonwealth Benefits Group regarding health insurance renewal. The current monthly premium is \$12,277.36. To renew the same

policy, the premium would increase to \$14,113.56. Comparisons were given for six other policies. The Board asked for a side by side comparison with the current policy and a similar policy with higher copays, prescriptions and out-of-pocket costs.

Trunk or Treat. Roundtop Mountain Resorts offered to provide traffic control for parking during Trunk or Treat. Supervisor Weaver said he would like that verified.

Rosstown Road bridge. The Township received a press release from Penn DOT announcing the replacement of the bridge on Rosstown Road (Rt 177) over Beaver Creek and Pinchot Lake. The project will begin in the fall of 2022 and will be completed in the spring of 2023. Traffic will be detoured during construction.

Park dead trees. The Manager asked for approval to have the road crew cut the dead trees when weather gets cooler and place on a pile for bidding. The Board said to have the trees marked for cutting now before the leaves fall.

Supervisor Weaver. Supervisor Weaver said he had people email the office to show support for eliminating cleanup but he has not received a copy of the emails. The Manager said all emails related to trash were put in an Outlook file. Supervisor DeFrain said he would like spring and fall cleanup to continue.

Supervisor Dockery. Supervisor Dockery said he will be away on vacation during the next Board meeting. He also said that he would like to offer help from the Township office to enter information for people who do not have access to a computer for the U. S. Census Reporting.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Motion was made by Supervisor Hawkins and seconded by Supervisor DeFrain to approve General Fund accounts payable in the amount of \$43,903.32 and State Liquid Fuels accounts payable in the amount of \$378.74 and the Pennsy Supply invoice in the amount of \$826.55 which was the bid amount. Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Supervisor DeFrain and seconded by Supervisor Hawkins to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 PM.

Township Secretary