

**RYE TOWNSHIP
SUPERVISORS' MEETING
August 23, 2021**

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PRESENT: Chairman Jim M. Sabo, Vice-Chairman John F. Stahl, Supervisor Brad L. Sloop, Daisy Lightner, Secretary/Treasurer, Eric Simmons, Driveway Enforcement Officer, Jean Snyder, Bill and Barb Holley, Nancy Sunday, Michael Rugh, Sean Fedder, Alisha Shafer and Chris Magnelli, Luke Roman of the Duncannon Record, and Dan Altland, Solicitor.

FORMER SUPERVISORS PRESENT: Robert Lightner and Charley Kunkle

The meeting was held at the municipal building and called to order at 7:00 PM. Chairman Sabo convened the meeting with the pledge of allegiance to the flag. The meeting was recorded to aid with the accurate preparation of minutes.

MOMENT OF SILENCE: Chairman Sabo asked that all in attendance observe a moment of silence with a special request to remember those families and loved ones who are suffering with this second round of COVID infections and personal loss.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION: Chairman Sabo opened the floor for any public comment. None was offered at this time.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: Supervisor Brad Sloop made a motion with a second from Vice-Chairman Stahl to approve the minutes of the July 26, 2021 supervisors' meeting as submitted. Motion carried unanimously.

MONTHLY MUNICIPAL REPORTS: A **Zoning Report** was presented by Zoning Officer Brian Gilbert of Wilson Consulting Group listing activities from July 21, 2021 to August 20, 2021. Chairman Sabo read the report with nine (9) activities including permit issuance, COU issuance, and review of revised plans and permit issuance for co-location of antennas on a tower at 3049 Valley Road, (Cove Rd); permit issuance for a poultry operation at 3445 Valley Road, and final review of the Zina Speck subdivision Plan on New Valley Road. The report was placed on the front table for public review.

An **August Sewage Enforcement Report** was submitted by SEO Lenny Sizer of FSA Engineering and read by Chairman Sabo as follows: Six (6) activities: cover inspection for 1769 New Valley Road; percs and probes for 1776 New Valley Road; pressure & cover inspection for 1330 New Valley Road and a consultation visit for 2550 Valley Road for a total due in fees of \$825.00.

The **Road Report** for August was provided by Road Foreman Brad Sloop and read by Co-Road Superintendent John Stahl as follows: chipped brush, mowed along various Township roads and Heisley Road intersection; cleaned ditches on Deans Gap and Millers Gap Roads; repaired wash outs and stormwater damage along shoulders and erosion around various drainage pipes; cut up downed trees per the County; repaired sink hole on Fleisher Road; installed new cross pipe on Cove Road; cleaned up tires dumped on Millers Gap and Deans Gap Roads; repaired tailgate latch on 1996 dump truck; installed millings on Millers Gap Road, and replaced blades and hydraulic line on the Tractor/mower. Supervisor Sloop reported that the street sign was stolen for Cove Road and requested the Secretary place an order for a new one.

Recreation Board member Nancy Sunday was present and reported a successful "Music in the Park" event with 45-50 participants, which was a better attendance than last year. She announced the following upcoming event:

September 12 – Hot Dog Roast and Bon Fire; 6-7:30 PM; hot dogs, s'mores and beverages.

Nancy suggested that anyone who might have extra hot dog forks to bring them along. Special music will be provided by resident Martin Henry and his group of musicians.

Assistant Emergency Management Coordinator, Mike Rugh was in attendance, but had no report or updates to offer.

The **July Treasurer's Report** was read by the Secretary/Treasurer. The report is on file in the Township office and approved pending the 2021 Financial Audit. She noted that she is registered and plans to attend an informational session on Wednesday, August 25 presented by the Perry County Commissioners on the American Rescue Plan Funds. Consultants will be in attendance to explain the rules for the eligible uses of the funds. To date the final rule and determination has not been received from the Federal government. PSATS is still recommending municipalities wait to allocate any funds until the final rule and determinations are received.

RESOLUTIONS: Upon due consideration and discussion, Chairman Sabo made a motion with a second from Vice-Chairman Stahl to adopt the following resolution:

Resolution 21-22, which authorizes the Secretary/Treasurer to transfer approximately \$134,615.00 from the Highway Aid Cd account at the Bank of Landisburg into the Highway Aid Checking account at the Riverview Bank in Marysville to assist with payment of the 2021 paving project. Motion carried unanimously.

Upon due consideration Vice-Chairman Stahl made a motion with a second from Supervisor Sloop to adopt **Resolution 21-23**, which authorizes the Secretary/Treasurer to transfer a matured Road Equipment CD in the amount of \$22,829.34 at the Bank of Landisburg to a short term Easy Access Municipal CD designated for Road Equipment at Pennian Bank. Motion carried unanimously.

Upon due consideration Chairman Sabo made a motion with a second from Supervisor Sloop to adopt **Resolution 21-24**, which authorizes the Secretary/Treasurer to transfer a matured Underground Storage Tank CD in the amount of \$16,582.36 at the Bank of Landisburg to a seven (7) month CD at the Bank of Landisburg. Motion carried unanimously.

Upon due consideration Chairman Sabo made a motion with a second from Supervisor Sloop to adopt **Resolution 21-25**, which authorizes the Secretary/Treasurer to transfer \$10,000 per the 2021 Budget to a matured Bridge CD at Pennian Bank and transfer the combined total of \$57,532.58 into a 24 month CD. Motion carried unanimously.

Upon due consideration Chairman Sabo made a motion with a second from Vice-Chairman Stahl to adopt **Resolution 21-26**, which authorizes and documents a transfer at the Bank of Landisburg Shermans Dale of a matured Future Land Purchase Cd #2 in the amount of \$50,231.01 into an easy access municipal CD at Pennian Bank, New Bloomfield. Motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS: Chairman Sabo offered that two applications were received to fill the Planning Commission Recording Secretary position. Upon due consideration, Chairman Sabo made a motion with a second from Supervisor Sloop to hire and appoint Kimberlee Charles to fill the position of **Planning Commission Recording Secretary**. Motion carried unanimously. The Secretary indicated she would notify Kim of her appointment, acquire the necessary paperwork, and meet with her and attend the next planning meeting with the newly appointed recording secretary.

Request for Proposals for culvert replacements for Pierce Road were received as follows:

Contractor	Proposal Amount
Glenn Hawbaker & Sons, Inc.	\$ 82,760.00
John W. Gleim, Jr.	\$ 63,490.00
Weber Trucking and Excavation	\$ 13,700.00

Pipe Supplier	Proposal Amount
Oldcastle Infrastructure	\$ 7,576.00
L. B. Water	\$ 9,798.32
Vianini Pipe, Inc.	\$ 9,885.28

Upon due consideration and discussion, Supervisor Sloop made a motion with a second from Vice-Chairman Stahl to accept the lowest proposal received from Weber Trucking and Excavation in the amount of \$13,700.00 and the lowest proposal received for purchase of the pipe from Oldcastle Infrastructure in the amount of \$7,576.00 for the Pierce Road culvert replacements. Motion carried unanimously. Mr. Weber lives in Rye Township and is a taxpayer, plus he has significantly less expense to move his equipment on-site.

Supervisor and Road Foreman Brad Sloop reported significant damage to the shoulders on Lambs Gap Road with the recent torrential downpours and resulting large volume of stormwater runoff. Lambs Gap Road was temporarily closed due to water overtopping the roadway at the bottom of the mountain during the most recent storm.

Upon due consideration and discussion Chairman Sabo made a motion with a second from Supervisor Sloop to acquire proposals to address the damage to the shoulders on Lambs Gap Road by installing larger rock and topping it with hot patch along the worst areas to prevent future wash out; and when the proposals are received to accept the proposal from the contractor with the lowest price. Motion carried unanimously.

Supervisor Sloop became aware of several possible zoning violations that need addressed. The Board was in agreement and recommended that the Zoning/Code Enforcement Officer be made aware of the concerns and begin to address them.

Vice-Chairman Stahl made a motion and Chairman Sabo seconded to accept the **2021 Non-Uniform Pension Minimum Municipal Obligation, (MMO) at \$4,671.00, the 2021 Cash Balance Plan 2 at \$4,995.00, and the 2021 Uniform, (Police) Pension Plan Minimum Municipal Obligation, (MMO) at zero \$0.00.** Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Sabo made a motion with a second from Supervisor Sloop to schedule a **public hearing at 6:00 PM** before the September 27, 2021 supervisors' regular meeting to accept and hear comments from the public to **updates proposed to the Zoning and the Subdivision Land Development** Chapters of the Rye Township Code of Ordinances and for possible enactment of the amendments at the regular meeting following; and to further authorize the Secretary/Treasurer to advertise the same. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Sabo announced the following upcoming events:

- ◆ September 6, Office Closed for Labor Day Holiday. Trash collection Wednesday, September 8.
- ◆ September 12, Bon Fire Night, 6-7:30 PM; Hot dog roast and s'mores. Special music will be presented by Martin Henry and his group of musicians.

APPROVAL AND PAYMENT OF THE BILLS: The Secretary/Treasurer provided an August expense check register and submitted the following checks for approval and payment:

August General Fund Check's #s 17062-17090 in the amount of \$43,699.69. Void Check # 17006 which was accidentally shredded by the vendor.

Payroll checks #s 7937-7941 in the amount of \$4,020.21. No payroll checks void.

Payroll checks #s 7942-7946 in the amount of \$4,243.11. No payroll checks void.

Highway Aid Check #739 issued to Glenn O. Hawbaker, Inc. in the amount of \$93,398.57.

No checks void.

With no discussion on the bills presented, Chairman Sabo made a motion and Vice-Chairman Stahl seconded to approve all the expense and payroll checks submitted for payment. Motion carried unanimously.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION: Chairman Sabo asked if there was any additional citizen participation.

Bill and Barbara Holley of Flowers Lane reported a concern with accumulation of junked vehicles to the point that it appears that a junkyard is forming at the bottom of Flowers Lane near the intersection of SR 850. They reported that at one section of Flowers Lane vehicles and rollbacks frequently are parked in the middle of the road blocking traffic. Resident Mike Rugh of Dicken Drive confirmed their concern.

Chairman Sabo offered that this concern will be added to the list for the Zoning Officer to address.

ADJOURNMENT: With no further discussion or business before the Board, Chairman Sabo thanked everyone for coming and adjourned the meeting at approximately 8:36 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Daisy Lightner, Secretary/Treasurer