

Howe Township
July 6, 2017

The Howe Township Board of Supervisors met in regular session at the Pinnacle Health Community Room at 5:30 p.m. on July 6, 2017. Present: Chairman Dale Beaver, Supervisor Kathy Donahey, Vice Chairman Charles Burd, Solicitor Dave Jones, Joanne Johnston, Frank Campbell-HTMA, Nancy Beaver, Luke Roman-Perry County Times. Secretary Cangioli was absent.

Chairman Beaver called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance. Chairman Beaver called the roll. All Supervisors were present.

A motion was made to approve the minutes as presented for June 1, 2017; Donahey/Burd. Motion carried.

A motion was made to approve the bills to be paid; Burd/Donahey. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Joanne Johnston stated she added 19 Per Capita bills for the county.

NEW BUSINESS

Zoning Officer Bob Hart has requested the township purchase stamps and business card stock for his use. A motion was made to approve Bob Hart's request to buy stamps and business card stock for his zoning officer duties and submit the bill to Howe Township for said stamps and card stock and Howe Township will reimburse him; Burd/Donahey. Motion carried.

ENGINEER REPORT

Chairman Beaver reported that the agreement with Buffalo Crossing is ready. There was a Penn Dot traffic impact scoping meeting held recently. Instead of a traffic signal a round about is being discussed.

MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY REPORT

Minutes from the June 19, 2017 meeting were submitted. Supervisor Burd reported things are still in a holding pattern with Newport. He attended the Juniata Sewage Committee meeting. The second round of pump outs has begun.

ROAD MASTER REPORT

Work is being done to prepare for tar & chipping. Buffalo Township has been providing help with their equipment and labor. A lot of time has been spent on Acker Rd. Trimming of trees has been done. The 2nd round of mowing has been done. Chris Simpson from Buffalo serviced the tractor with the township purchasing the materials saving the township money. There are approximately 22 diseased ash trees on both sides of Acker Rd that need to be removed for safety purposes and have been marked. Glenn Esbenshade has been contacted as the property owner and due to the fact that there is a 50' right-of-way he wants the township to remove those in that area and he will take down the rest. There are 3 or 4 that can be taken down safely by the township. Chairman Beaver requested Solicitor Jones provide to him the verbiage in the township code book regarding the property owner's responsibilities for trees within the 50' right-of way to discuss with Mr. Esbenshade.

A motion was made to authorize the Road Master to 1) look at the marked trees that can be safely removed by the township 2) contact 2 or 3 tree removal services for estimated costs to remove the trees and talk with Glenn Esbenshade about a contribution to the cost: Beaver/Burd. Motion carried.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

The RACP Sub-Grantee and Cooperation Agreement has been provided and signed electronically by Hamm Equities. A motion was made to ratify and sign the cooperation agreement between Howe Township and Hamm Equities; Beaver/Donahey. Motion carried.

A letter was received from the Perry County Conservation District stating the county has adopted a Perry County Municipal Solid Waste Ordinance in 2015 and the township is mandated to adopt a trash collection ordinance that applies to all properties and reference a sample air pollution control ordinance on open burning. Solicitor Jones will follow up with the Conservation District. Secretary Cangioli will be asked to research if there is garbage and recycling ordinances and an open burning ordinance.

ZONING OFFICER

2 permits were issued.

PLANNING COMMISSION

Minutes from the June 22, 2017 meeting have been submitted. Melissa Zeiders provided a letter of interest as a member. A motion was made to appoint Melissa Zeiders to fill the unexpired term of Lavina Herr; Beaver/Burd. Motion carried.

<u>Plan</u>	<u>Submitted</u>	<u>Date-Approve/Disapprove</u>
Buffalo Crossing	5/4/17	8/6/17
Newport Assembly Church of God	6/5/17	9/7/17

A motion was made to move to Executive Session; Burd/Donahey. Motion carried.

The regular business meeting was called back to order at 7:12 p.m. Chairman Beaver stated the purpose of the executive meeting was personnel matters.

A motion was made to increase the labor rate for Wayne Wilson from \$16.25 per hour to \$17.00 per hour effective July 1, 2017 and with the intent that the rate be increased to \$18.00 per hour in the new budget for January, 2018; Beaver/Burd. Roll Call Vote: Donahey-No, Burd-Yes, Beaver-Yes. Motion carried.

A motion was made to increase Nancy Cangioli's hourly rate from \$16.25 per hour to \$17.00 per hour effective July 1, 2017 with the intent to increase that rate to \$17.50 with the new budget effective January 1, 2018; Beaver/Burd. Roll Call Vote: Donahey-No, Burd-Yes, Beaver-Yes. Motion carried.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting; Donahey/Burd. Motion carried.