Howe Township November 7, 2019

The Howe Township Board of Supervisors met in regular session at the UPMC Pinnacle Health Community Room at 5:30 p.m. on November 7, 2019. Present: Chairman Dale Beaver, Vice Chairman Charles Burd, Supervisor Kathy Donahey, Secretary/Treasurer Nancy Cangioli, HTMA- Frank Campbell, Road Master/Zoning Officer Chris Simpson, Gary Jenney, Millerstown Ambulance members-John Matter, Tim Ritzman, Rich Fegley.

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

A motion was made to approve the minutes for October 3, October 17 and October 29, 2019 as presented; Burd/Donahey. Motion carried.

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

PUBLIC COMMENT

John Matter, Rich Fegley and Tim Ritzman from the Millerstown Ambulance provided data to prove that they have a shorter distance and time to respond to ambulance calls in the Township versus the New Bloomfield Ambulance. They provide coverage 24 hours a day. They also share memberships with the Newport ambulance. They are requesting that the Township place them as 2nd responder and placing New Bloomfield as 3rd. A motion was made to make Millerstown as 2nd responder after Newport and placing New Bloomfield as 3rd due and notifying the 911 center as soon as possible; Burd/Donahey. Motion carried.

Gary Jenney residing at 88 Acker Rd addressed the Board regarding the zoning violation letter he received from the Zoning Officer about his truck sitting close to the road without being licensed. Mr. Jenney stated it's basically a lawn ornament and is beyond the township ROW. The Boards concern is it gives the illusion of it sitting on the roadway. He agreed to move the truck back farther from the road.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

The vacancy on the Zoning Hearing Board still needs to be filled and is on the website.

NEW BUSINESS

There was none.

MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY

Minutes from the October 21, 2019 meeting have been submitted. Frank Campbell reported on the construction schedule which is to start November 18th. At their next meeting they should be voting on a plan to pay back the Township.

JUNIATA SEWAGE COMMITTEE

Supervisor Burd reported on the October 26th meeting, because the sewer project is beginning the SEO does not anticipate many more mandatory pump outs. Approximately 32 properties will be deleted from the process. A year end summary report was requested from the SEO.

ROAD MASTER

Chris reported 4 of the new welcome signs to the Township were installed with the exception of the state roads and is waiting to hear from Penn Dot on those. Buffalo Township has agreed to split the cost of the tar buggy but they have 30 miles of roads and Howe has only 5 miles and they would have more use of it for the same cost which would be unfair. A motion was made to purchase the tar buggy and torch for \$1,448.50 plus (2) 25gallon propane tanks with no shared cost from Buffalo Township; Beaver/Donahey. Motion carried. Chris was authorized to make the purchase.

ZONING OFFICER

Chris spoke with the new owner of the Frey home on Acker Rd regarding 2 vehicles, they are both registered and insured but are not operable. They have 30 days to get them operating or they will be in violation of the non-movement of a vehicle in the Nuisance Ordinance. Chris will revisit them in 30 days.

PLANNING COMMISSION

There was no meeting in October. There will be a meeting November 25, 2019 to review the Howe Township/Robin Smith subdivision plan.

Plan	Submitted	Date-Approve/Disapprove
Buffalo Crossing Commons	5/4/17	Extension to December 2019
Burger King Land Dev.	4/19/19	Conditional approval 5/2/19

Supervisor Burd congratulated Chairman Beaver on his re-election.

A motion was made to purchase as soon as possible the International Zoning Code manual and to authorize the renewal of the 3year subscription; Beaver/Burd. Motion carried.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 6:50 p.m.; Donahey/Burd. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted, Nancy Cangioli Secretary