

**MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR MEETING of the
JENKINS TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
May 10th, 2017 at 7:00 P.M.**

Mr. Stanley Rovinski called the Meeting to order at 7:02 P.M. Everyone joined in the pledge of allegiance.

Roll call was taken: Stanley E. Rovinski –Chairman, Joseph Sperrazza -Vice Chairman, Robert Linskey-Secretary/Treasurer, Charles G. Ross Jr., Esq.-Solicitor, and Barbara Fairchild–Township Manager were all present.

Mr. Rovinski asked the public if they wished to address the Board of Supervisors regarding any items placed on the agenda for this meeting and/or any general municipal business. He asked the public who wished to address them to sign the sheet clearly with name, address and phone number. He asked that all electronic devices be turned off during the meeting.

Public Comments or concerns:

- Tom Sincavage-Union St-Wood St. Blacktop good job. 5 storm drains and no water goes to them. Water ponds and is concerned about flooding and who will take care of it. The land is 6” higher and the dirt is pushed back but his land needs to be brought up. Excellent Job! Mr. Rovinski will discuss with the engineer and American Asphalt to determine the issue and resolution to correct the problem.
- Paul Swointek-34 Union St.-water problem exists on Laird St. He used to have a rolled curb. That is no longer there and now the water problem runs down the alley and floods their cellar. Union St was raised about 4-5” last time and now the water comes from the street and buckled his sidewalks. The problem is getting worse and he has asked for a long time for something to be done and nothing gets done. Please address this before it gets worse.
- Jim McLaughlin- 280 Westminster Rd. The 36” pipe is coming apart and Luzerne Co. Conservation district and DEP are aware of this. Can’t the township do something as this problem gets worse? The WVSA Storm water management article was in the paper and he wants to know how much more we will be paying. Ms. Fairchild explained it was incorrect in the paper and it will be between \$3.50 and \$4.50/month per household. He asked if the township is definitely taking over Whispering Way because Mr. Giambra is moving the stream. Mr. Rovinski said we were in contact with DEP & Luzerne Co. Conservation District for correct plan. Our township manager has been in contact with the agencies and they are sending correspondence for the issues to be addressed.
- Renee Roxby-15 Laflin Rd. wanted the dips to be addressed to be restored to better condition and asked about controlling speed with the new pavement cars are flying on Rutledge St.
- Gwenis Tayavich? 15 Market St. She thinks the War Memorial is nice but why are we not doing something with what Jenkins Twp. is known for? Does anyone know what comes up when you google Jenkins Twp.? The Knox Mine Disaster. Why would you plan for another monument? A resident said it’s a waste of time for the money received from rails to trails. The honor roll has 12 men and the people riding their quads are damaging everything. Engineers design things and we still have problems. She feels sorry for the people in the development at Westminster. What is the time frame for having these problems fixed? Board will ask engineer Mike Amato.

- Louis Campenni-23 Sunrise Dr.-He said the paving of Sunrise Dr. is nice but there may be a water problem due to the height of asphalt in certain areas. Now there is a big gutter. Winter it will be all ice. It is going into his sprinkler system, power box, cable, etc. Mr. Rovinski will discuss with the engineer and American Asphalt to determine the issue and resolution to correct the problem if any.
- He asked what can be done the property is up for sale in this area and the cats are still there. He asked if they can do something about the last few cats in the area and please have the door closed because they are still eating shrubs and making a mess. He asked Police to check the area as they were supposed to. Mr. Rovinski said they are addressing this. There are only 2 cats left.
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APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion to approve the minutes for the Regular Meeting held on April 12th, 2017, the Minutes for the Special Meeting held on April 19, 2017, and the Zomerfeld Public Hearing which was also held on April 19, 2017.

Motion by Mr. Sperrazza

Second by Mr. Linskey

Roll Call: Mr. Sperrazza - Yes

Mr. Linskey- Yes

Mr. Rovinski- Yes

CORRESPONDENCE

Motion to accept the correspondence presented to the Board of Supervisors prior to the meeting and to place them on file.

Motion by Mr. Linskey

Second by Mr. Sperrazza

Roll Call: Mr. Sperrazza- Yes

Mr. Linskey- Yes

Mr. Rovinski-Yes

REPORTS

Motion to accept the April 2017 Department Reports presented to the Board of Supervisors prior to the meeting and to place them on file. Reports included:

Building Inspector ✓

Tax Collector ✓

Fire Chief ✓

Police Chief ✓

Planning Commission ✓

Crime Watch ✓

Zoning Officer ✓

Code Enforcement Office ✓

Motion by Mr. Sperrazza

Second by Mr. Linskey

Roll Call: Mr. Sperrazza - Yes

Mr. Linskey- Yes

Mr. Rovinski- Yes

RATIFICATION AND APPROVAL OF PAYMENT OF BILLS

Motion to ratify the payment of monthly bills for April 2017 in the amount of (\$204,265.18) from the General Fund.

Motion by Mr. Linskey

Second by Mr. Sperrazza

Roll Call: Mr. Sperrazza- Yes

Mr. Linskey- Yes Mr. Rovinski- Yes

Motion to ratify the transfer of Thirty Thousand Six Hundred Fifty Dollars and .59 cents (\$30,650.59) from the General Fund to the Payroll Fund for Payroll # 9 of 2017 and the transfer of Twenty Eight Thousand Two Hundred Twenty Five Dollars and .65 cents (\$28,225.65) from the General Fund to the Payroll Fund for Payroll # 10 of 2017.

Motion by Mr. Linskey

Second by Mr. Sperrazza

Roll Call: Mr. Sperrazza- Yes

Mr. Linskey- Yes Mr. Rovinski- Yes

READING OF THE TREASURER'S REPORT-Read by Mr. Linskey.

Motion to approve the Treasurer's Report for the month of April 2017

Motion by Mr. Sperrazza

Second by Mr. Rovinski

Roll Call: Mr. Sperrazza- Yes

Mr. Linskey- Yes Mr. Rovinski-Yes

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A. WWSA Regional Storm water Management update.-\$150,000.00 Grant was submitted to DCED 3/3/17 to help subsidize the Feasibility Study and regional Pollutant Plan Formation for 36 municipalities. Understanding Storm water Regionalization information will be added to website. Motion to execute the agreement and advertise for the proposed Ordinance for WWSA regional Storm water management.

Motion by Mr. Sperrazza

Second by Mr. Linskey

Roll Call: Mr. Sperrazza - Yes

Mr. Linskey- Yes Mr. Rovinski- Yes

- B. Derman Associates-Pay request-\$4,461.16

Motion to hire Northeast Gutter Pro for the replacement of gutters and downspouts of \$1547.00 and reduce the pay request to\$2,380.00 which includes this invoice plus the \$534.00 for the Aircon invoices we paid for repairs to the HVAC.

Motion by Mr. Linskey

Second by Mr. Sperrazza

Roll Call: Mr. Sperrazza- Yes

Mr. Linskey- Yes Mr. Rovinski- Yes

NEW BUSINESS

Motion to hire Tyler Lewis EDWARDS, Hanover Township as a part-time police officer effective immediately with a six-month probation period at the rate of \$15.40 per hour.

Motion by Mr. Sperrazza Second by Mr. Linskey
Roll Call: Mr. Sperrazza - Yes Mr. Linskey- Yes Mr. Rovinski- Yes

Motion to hire Brandyn Michael COLE, Warrior Run as a part-time police officer effective June 24th, 2017 with the condition that he successfully completes mandatory training, background check & testing. He will be on probation for six months after that the effective hire date also at the rate of \$15.40 per hour.

Motion by Mr. Linskey Second by Mr. Sperrazza
Roll Call: Mr. Sperrazza- Yes Mr. Linskey- Yes Mr. Rovinski- Yes

Motion to accept the comments from The Luzerne County Planning Commission and the Jenkins Township Planning Commission and set a date for the public hearing for the amendment for Zoning Ordinance regarding cell towers. Date will be assigned with the manager.

Motion by Mr. Sperrazza Second by Mr. Linskey
Roll Call: Mr. Sperrazza - Yes Mr. Linskey- Yes Mr. Rovinski- Yes

Motion to place in escrow the funds of \$53,000.00 from the letter of credit from John Giambra before we accept and convey the deed from Whispering Woods/Whispering Way Homeowner's Association to Jenkins Township for Whispering Way.

Motion by Mr. Linskey Second by Mr. Sperrazza
Roll Call: Mr. Sperrazza- Yes Mr. Linskey- Yes Mr. Rovinski- Yes

Motion to accept the change order for \$75,562.50 Phase I of the paving project for additional costs incurred for repairs and paving.

Motion by Mr. Sperrazza Second by Mr. Linskey
Roll Call: Mr. Sperrazza - Yes Mr. Linskey- Yes Mr. Rovinski- Yes

Motion to advertise with Municib-auction since there were no bids for the 2001 Freight liner Recycling truck.

Motion by Mr. Sperrazza Second by Mr. Linskey
Roll Call: Mr. Sperrazza- Yes Mr. Linskey- Yes Mr. Rovinski- Yes

Motion to pay Commission on Economic Opportunity \$6,114.99 for refund of taxes on 165 Amber Lane for 2015 & 2016 as long as this address is verified to be correct.

Motion by Mr. Linskey

Second by Mr. Sperrazza

Roll Call: Mr. Sperrazza- Yes

Mr. Linskey- Yes

Mr. Rovinski- Yes

Mr. Rovinski asked the Board members if they had anything to address. Mr. Sperrazza mentioned the flag pole with the scouts at the cemetery and the Crime Watch. Mr. Linskey had nothing at this time.

Mr. Rovinski proceeded to read the ANNOUNCEMENTS:

A. The Jenkins Township Board of Supervisors Regular Meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 14, 2017 at 7:00 P.M.

B. The Jenkins Township Administrative office will be closed on Tuesday May 16, 2017 for Primary Election Day and Monday, May 29, 2017 in observance of Memorial Day.

C. The Police Regionalization meeting will be held on May 11, 2017 at Pittston Twp. Municipal building at 7:00 P.M

D. The Jenkins Township Sanitary Authority meeting will be held on May 11, 2017 at 7:00 P.M.

E. The Jenkins Township Crime Watch will meet on Wednesday, May 17, 2017 at 7:00 P.M.

F. The Jenkins Township Planning Commission will meet on Thursday, May 18th, 2017 at 7:30 P.M.

G. The Jenkins Township Board of Supervisors would like to inquire about holding an Electronics Recycling Event and paper shredding event for the residents of Jenkins Township. Please provide your feedback via email to jenkinsmanager@comcast.net.

H. The Boy Scouts from Troop 316 are installing a new flag pole at the Cooper Blanchard Burial Ground on May 20, 2017. Penn East Pipeline and the Pittston Historical Society were also involved.

Motion to adjourn at 7:55 P.M.

Motion by Mr. Rovinski

Second by Mr. Sperrazza

Mr. Sperrazza- Yes

Mr. Linskey- Yes

Mr. Rovinski - Yes

Respectfully submitted by



Barbara Fairchild, Township Manager