

West Marlborough Township
1300 Doe Run Road
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William W. Wylie, Chairman
Joseph Claflin, V. Chairman
Emery Jones Taylor, Supervisor

Hugh Lofting II, Roadmaster
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October 3, 2023, Meeting

Minutes of the October 3, 2023, Meeting of the Board of Supervisors

The Public Meeting of the Board of Supervisors was called to order at 7:30 pm. on 10/3/2023 by Chairman Bill Wylie following a Planning Commission meeting.

Emery Jones Taylor asked supervisors to consider the September 5, 2023, minutes. Jacob Chalfin seconded the motion. Minutes were approved by unanimous vote.

Tom Brosius asked what the white stakes on side of roads are for around the Township, Hugh replied they are designating where the detour signs will be placed for upcoming Penn Dot bridge construction on Rout 926.

Conrad Somers brought up Republic trash trucks parking and taking lunch breaks on the side of Mosquito Lane which is a dirt road. He complained that the trucks were damaging the side of the road, and the road is not intended for trucks of this size. Jacob Chalfin agreed to call SECCRA and discuss having them tell Republic to not allow their employees to park there.

Minnie Young brought up speeding vehicles concern on Tapeworm Road which is also a dirt road, saying that the school bus is the main culprit. She has had many discussions with the school. She asked what it would take to make the road private. Bill explained the process as "vacating the road" by a township involves all landowners on the road must agree to it, and the Township must hold a public hearing for broader comment. He also said the upcoming road closure for the culvert project would alleviate the problem for the time under construction. Bill asked Hugh Lofting, roadmaster to call the school after construction and ask them to go another route.

The financial report was given showing a balance of \$18,908.66 in the payroll account at the end of September. The General Funds showed a balance of \$491,144.78. State Funds had a balance of \$250,287.55. Equipment has a balance of \$93,376.42. The supervisors approved the report subject to review of bills to be paid. Pages of the financial report are attached.

The Board of Supervisors voted unanimously to adopt Stormwater Management Ordinance #7-2023 through Resolution #13-2023. The ordinance will go into effect in five days.

The Board of Supervisors voted unanimously to approve the \$6,000 fine imposed on JLT Enterprises for zoning non-compliance at 1637/1639.

The Board of Supervisors voted unanimously to authorize a change order of \$4,200 to the speed humps contract installed by Jena Asphalt and to authorize final payment.

The Board of Supervisors voted unanimously to appoint Elliot Blake as Primary Delegate to the Tax Collection Committee (TCC) and Hugh Lofting as First Alternate, through Resolution #14-2023.

Tom Brosius of the Planning Commission reported they have been working on the Property Maintenance Agreement and should have it completed for presentation at the next public meeting. He asked for input about handling noxious and invasive weeds from the Board of Supervisors.

Tom also brought up that our Zoning Officer is difficult to deal with, is hard to get a hold of and is not responsive enough to e-mails and phone calls. Emery said LLT Consultants needs to address it. Bill said he would call the firm and talk to them about it.

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Road Master said he had a meeting about the culvert project on Tapeworm Road this morning and it went well. He has great confidence in Kinsley Construction. He has been working to clean up the area. He also brought up salt bids for the upcoming season. The price of salt from Costars came in at \$76.45 per ton. Bill asked about the salt mix and Hugh replied it is 60/40 salt and anti-skid which he mixes here at the Township. He continues to mow and clean up downed tree limbs.

With no further business to attend, the meeting was adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted

Elliot Blake,
Secretary/Treasurer

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