

Lewis Township Supervisors
Regular Monthly Meeting
November 2, 2016

The Lewis Township Regular Monthly Meeting was called to order by Chairman Willard Murray at 7:00 P.M. at the Lewis Township building. Those also present were Supervisors Duane M. Blakeney & Jay Douglas Bomberger, Solicitor Benjamin Landon, Secretary/Treasurer Lucinda R. Bomberger and 9 guests.

A motion was made by Duane M. Blakeney, seconded by Jay Douglas Bomberger and passed to approve meeting minutes from the October 5, 2016 Supervisors Regular Monthly Meeting as written.

A motion was made by Jay Douglas Bomberger, seconded by Duane M. Blakeney and passed to approve the October 2016 Financial Reports.

Public Comment on Agenda Items

Brian Stackhouse inquired about the Turbotville Landscape Supply Land Development as to where it would be located in the township due to its current location being in Turbotville Borough. Brian also inquired about what PIB project meant.

Township Reports

Supervisors

Supervisor Duane M. Blakeney inquired about the use of the township building for a meeting that Pat Betz is organizing with the Northumberland County Commissioners and Lynda Schlegel Culver's office regarding a lease for the baseball fields (Frantz & Moser Fields). The Supervisors agreed to the use of the building for the meeting.

Roadmaster

PIB Project is complete as of November 2, 2016 with Line painting on Schuyler Road. Road work this past month includes work on Schmidt and Hill Road & mowing. There are some roads that will need potholes filled.

Solicitor

Solicitor Benjamin Landon reported that that a traffic study would need to be done for the township to limit thru trucks on Koch Road. James Yannacone has filed another motion in response to the Township's response to his last filing. Regarding the Applegate bankruptcy filing, the filing will be redone by her attorney. She initially did the filing herself and was done incorrectly.

Treatment Plant Operator

Eric Moore from West Branch Regional Authority attended the meeting and had submitted a written report. (See file for full report) The main concern was security for the Five Points Small Flow Facility. Eric will be looking into padlocks keyed alike for all three sites.

Secretary/Treasurer

Secretary/Treasurer Lucinda R. Bomberger reported the following:

1. 20 third notices were sent for failure to pump septic tanks by December 31, 2015 and were given an October 31, 2016 deadline. There are 11 that did not respond. A letter will be sent notifying the resident that their information will be sent to James Sanders, Sewage Enforcement Officer.
2. 2016 State Pension Aid in the amount of \$6,601.78 was received at the end of the month of September. The State Aid was transferred to the Township's Pension Plan in October: Willard Murray...\$3,401.78 and Lucinda R. Bomberger...\$3,200.00.
3. Lycoming County Resource Management notified the township that they will no longer be able to haul our recycling for free. After March of 2017 there will be a charge of \$75.00/pull. The township averages 10-12 pulls/month which would cost about \$10,800-\$12,000/year.
4. Looking ahead:
 - Organizational Meeting:** Tuesday, January 3, 2017
 - Auditor's Meeting:** Wednesday, January 4, 2017
 - Terms Ending December 31, 2016:
 - Planning Commission:** Members Chris Trapani and Todd Bixler
 - Zoning Hearing Board:** Member Charles Reaser and Alternate James Michael
5. Proposed Budget 2017:
 - General Fund:** Revenue: \$488,275.00 & Expenditures: \$488,275.00
 - State Fund:** Revenue: \$164,200.00 & Expenditures: \$164,200.00
 - Wastewater Operation Fund:** Revenue: \$128,075.00 & Expenditures: \$128,075.00

Old Business

A motion was made by Jay Douglas Bomberger, seconded by Duane M. Blakeney and passed to come into an agreement with West Branch Regional Authority for wastewater operation services for 2017.

A motion was made by Willard Murray, seconded by Duane M. Blakeney to adopt **Resolution 2016-16** authorizing the disposition of public records as listed and following the schedules and procedures of the Municipal Records Manual. The Secretary will keep an itemized list of all records disposed.

Regarding the Zoning Ordinance Amendment, the Secretary recommended that the Zoning Officer Victor Marquort review the Zoning Ordinance and also along with the Planning Commission to compile all the changes that needed to be made. The cost for this review would be \$50.00/hr up to six hours. The Supervisors agreed to this review.

New Business

A motion was made by Duane M. Blakeney, seconded by Willard Murray and passed to table the approval of the Turbotville Landscape Supply Land Development Plan until the December meeting provided that all items in the engineer's review are changed and correct.

A motion was made by Willard Murray, seconded by Jay Douglas Bomberger and passed to approve Pay Application # 1 for E.J. Breneman in the amount of \$865,004.48 to be paid from the PIB Loan and the PIB Project Account.

A motion was made by Willard Murray, seconded by Duane M. Blakeney and passed to approve advertisement of the 2017 Proposed Budget.

A motion was made by Willard Murray, seconded by Jay Douglas Bomberger and passed to approve advertisement of Ordinance 2016-17, Amending Ordinance of January 2, 2001, Creation of Fire Protection and Emergency Services Cooperative, Increasing the per capita contribution from \$16.00 to \$18.00 to be effective January 1, 2017.

A motion was made by Duane M. Blakeney, seconded by Willard Murray and passed to approve payment of bills for November 2016.

Public Comment

Brian Stackhouse inquired about plans for Wolfe Blvd.

A motion was made by Willard Murray, seconded by Duane M. Blakeney and passed to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lucinda R. Bomberger
Lewis Township Secretary