

Lewis Township Supervisors  
Regular Monthly Meeting  
October 2, 2019

The Lewis Township Regular Monthly Meeting was called to order by Chairman Willard Murray at 4:00 P.M. at the Lewis Township building. Those also present were Supervisor Duane M. Blakeney, Solicitor Jonathan Dewald, Secretary/Treasurer Lucinda R. Bomberger and five guests.

A motion was made by Duane M. Blakeney, seconded by Willard Murray and passed to approve the minutes from the September 4, 2019 Supervisors Regular Monthly Meeting as written.

A motion was made by Willard Murray, seconded by Duane M. Blakeney and passed to approve the September 2019 Financial Report.

**Public Comment on Agenda Items**

No Comments

**Township Reports**

***Supervisors***

Supervisor Duane M. Blakeney reported on the progress of the Keefertown Road Project. Paving the entrance to Keefertown Road off of Whitmoyer Road will be next.

***Roadmaster***

Roadmaster Willard Murray reported that top soil would need to be placed on the Lehman's property. Other work to be done this fall included filling potholes, completing work on Water Company Road and new pipe to be placed on Schmidt Road and Berryman Hollow Road.

***Solicitor***

Solicitor Jonathon Dewald reported that the decision letter for the John Sensenig Conditional Use Hearing would be sent October 3, 2019. Also, advised that the Township's Horse Ordinance be amended to include enforcement provisions.

***Treatment Plant Operator***

Eric Moore from West Branch Regional Authority reported that the plants are operating well. It has been rather dry and the numbers show that school is back in session.

***Secretary/Treasurer***

Secretary/Treasurer Lucinda R. Bomberger reported the following:

1. The Act 101: Section 904 Municipal Recycling Performance Grant Application for 2018 was submitted on September 25, 2019 to the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection Bureau of Waste Management.

2. State Fire Relief Aid was deposited into the General Fund on September 16, 2019 in the amount of \$10,862.94. A check will be sent to Warrior Run Area Fire Department in that same amount on October 4, 2019.
3. State Pension Aid was deposited into the General Fund on September 18, 2019 in the amount of \$7,284.47. The State Aid Funds were transferred to the Township's Pension through AXA Equitable on October 2, 2019.  
Willard Murray: \$4,225.00  
Lucinda R. Bomberger: \$3,059.47
4. As Chief Administrative Officer of the Township's Pension Plan, the Minimum Municipal Obligation(MMO) for 2020 was prepared and signed for the Pension file in the amount of \$77,187.00.(Estimated payroll for 2020)
5. The Township was approved for DCED's Sewage Facilities Program Grant in the amount of \$7,255.00 for the purpose of Act 537 Sewage Facilities Planning regarding regionalization efforts with Delaware Township and Milton Regional Sewer Authority.

### ***Fire Board Representative***

Representative Duane M. Blakeney shared that the Social Hall was doing well and that with the rental fee increase was able to operate and cover costs. Russ and Charlotte McClintock are the contact person to rent the social hall. Duane also shared the interior work is being done at the firehouse in Turbotville and when completed an Open House will be held for the community to visit.

### **Old Business**

A motion was made by Willard Murray, seconded by Duane M. Blakeney and passed to approve advertisement of the adoption and amendment of the Lewis Township Zoning Ordinance, the amendments being the written content. The zoning map will be amended at a later date.

### **New Business**

A motion was made by Duane M. Blakeney, seconded by Willard Murray and passed to approve payment of Invoice # 7175133 from the Lewis Township State Fund in the amount of \$7,319.85 from New Enterprise Stone & Lime, Co.

A motion was made by Willard Murray, seconded by Duane M. Blakeney and passed to approve a paving quote submitted by Fairchild Brothers in the amount of \$6,943.00 for the entrance of Keefertown Road off Whitmoyer Road.

A motion was made by Willard Murray, seconded by Duane M. Blakeney and passed to approve advertisement to amend the Township Ordinance 2015-10 pertaining to horses, amending to include enforcement provisions.

A motion was made by Willard Murray, seconded by Duane M. Blakeney and passed to approve payment of bills for October 2019.

**Public Comment**

Angela Ulmer asked if the Yannacone case was closed. Solicitor Dewald answered yes and gave an explanation of the Township's next steps in light of the decision made by the Commonwealth Court and is the reason the Supervisors are moving forward with the adoption of the Zoning Ordinance and made sense since amending the ordinance was planned and doesn't make sense to follow through with Supreme Court.

Angela also asked if the Ordinances to be amended are on the website. Solicitor Dewald answered that once advertised the amendments will be available at the office for inspection.

Alda Eichenlaub asked if the above had anything to do with the right of Way issue on Five Points Road and Hockley Hill Road. Will answered no, that that is a state issue.

Gerald Ulmer asked about the status of the sawmill on Schuyler Road. Will answered that a cease and desist order was issued and the property owner will not be permitted to continue until compliant with the Zoning Ordinance and Building Code.

A motion was made by Willard Murray, seconded by Duane M. Blakeney and passed to adjourn the meeting at 4:24 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lucinda R. Bomberger  
Lewis Township Secretary