

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson, Tom Hubert, and opened with a Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag at 6:30 P.M.

Supervisors present: Jim Stewart, Scott Malenky, Tom Hubert, Mike Weiser, Dale Perry. Solicitor Ray Bogaty, Secretary Gina Smith, David Pringle, Tax Collector, Police Chief Jason Newton, Zoning Officer Jeff Richardson and Fire Chief Justin Barnes were also present.

Comments from Residents/Taxpayers of Shenango Township: Jana Stover wanted an update of the zoning change. Ray Bogaty said that he will be working on it, and he has everything that he needs. He said that it's taking a while because of the number of properties affected. She asked if the public will be involved in the hearing. Ray Bogaty answered that it will be a public hearing in mid-January, and everyone will be invited to attend that are property owners and will receive written notification. Jana Stover said that she isn't part of the forty properties. She is affected by the residential and commercial zoning change. Her address is 4020 New Castle Road however, her mailing address is 4012. The information will be posted on the website also. Tom Hubert said that she will be notified by mail. Solicitor Bogaty indicated notice will be posted on the township website. Rodney Garrett questioned the demolished properties. Tom Hubert informed him that a lien will be placed on both demolished properties and Solicitor Bogaty is preparing the liens for both properties. Ken Wilson noted that traps will be set for the cats. He wants rental properties to be inspected every six months. Tom Hubert said that he will investigate the properties being inspected for fire alarms etc. He noted cost and personnel will also be an issue toward enforcements for the township. Tom Hubert said that they will have a police officer deliver the letter to Jeff Besco since it was returned as undeliverable.

Minutes of Previous Meeting:

Motion by Scott Malenky, seconded by Jim Stewart to approve minutes dated October 20, 2022. All votes yes. Motion carried.

Staff Reports:

Treasurer's Report: Tom Hubert reported the account balances and noted that the budget is good. Motion by Tom Hubert, seconded by Mike Weiser. All votes yes. Motion carried.

Police Report: Chief Jason Newton gave the police report. 26- 911 hang ups. 29 assists, 5 vehicle accidents, 22 suspicious with 266 calls total for the township. West Middlesex Borough had 104 calls with a total of 370 calls. The department used 11.8 of the budgets. 76% of the budget has been used year to date. COG will be doing the work on the cruisers. They probably won't be done this year. Motion to accept by Jim Stewart. Seconded by Dale Perry. All votes yes. Motion carried.

Fire Report: Chief Barnes presented the fire report noting 6 vehicle crashes, 2 mutual aid, 3 wires down, 26 medical calls with 21 being ambulance calls. Motion by Tom Hubert, seconded by Scott Malenky. All votes yes. Motion carried.

Road Report: Dan Rupert reported the following work was completed: Roadway patching, mowed and trimmed cemetery, township and park. Mulched leaves, attached spreader on the trucks, and winterized the park. Fallen trees were removed and brush piles burned. Placed 40 feet of pipe in, checked roads and picked up leaves. They replaced rear brakes and rotors on pick-up truck, and cleaned leaves from the ditch with the street sweeper. Mowed roads 48 hours, 32 hours ditching roads, and 20 hours on snow removal. Motion by Jim Stewart. Seconded by Mike Weiser. Mike Weiser noted that they met and looked at a water issue on Lilac and something will need to be done to fix the situation. All votes yes, motion carried.

EMC Report: Tom Hubert gave the report as Joe Varga was unable to attend. CPR class was held on Wednesday and indicated attendance was low. Mobile Com is moving the repeaters into the shed on November 21, 2022. Surveys for the Hazard Mitigation have been completed with the help of Tara Johnson. Joe Varga and Tara Johnson both agree that some things need to be discussed and determined before the next Hazard Mitigation Survey. He will put a list together for the supervisors in the future. Motion by Tom Hubert, seconded by Dale Perry. All votes yes. Motion carried.

Municipal Authority Report: Scott Malenky gave the report. The sewer project will proceed upon receipt of the panels and generators and it is scheduled to be completed in March. Rod Garrett asked if Oak Tree is required to tie into the sewer authority. Tom Hubert answered that it hasn't been decided. DEP says that they must hook in. Motion by Scott Malenky, seconded by Tom Hubert. All votes yes. Motion carried.

COG Report: No report.

Planning Commission Report: Dale Perry gave the report. Dale Perry said that Jana Stover wanted her money refunded since her house is part of zoning issues. Tom Hubert informed Jana Stover the variance board will make the determination whether anyone receives a refund. Jana Stover asked Ray Bogaty if a resident can object to construction of her building and request it be torn down. Ray Bogaty explained applicants have 30 days to appeal if they don't accept the variance decision. It is customary where a variance is requested that no construction begin until the variance is granted. Motion to accept by Mike Weiser, seconded by Dale Perry. All votes yes. Motion carried.

MPO Report: Dale Perry gave the report. They discussed the I-80 reconstruction. They renewed the housing rehab grant. Dale Perry wanted to find out how to get route 18 to be five lanes clear through West Middlesex. There is a price match to do the study that would take 1.5 years. The planning commission approved Mr. Rupert's 30 ft right away variance. Motion Dale Perry, seconded by Mike Weiser. All votes yes. Motion carried.

Animal Shelter Report: Tom Hubert gave the report. They are working on getting donations. They got a nice donation for the cat section. The shelter is full. Motion by Tom Hubert, seconded by Dale Perry. All votes yes. Motion carried.

Zoning Permits: (1) fence, (1) solar panel. Jeff Richardson said that he's encouraged by the recent demolitions. He hopes to see Wheatland Rd properties to be the next to be demolished. The Grange Rd properties are progressing. Motion Dale Perry, seconded Mike Weiser. All votes yes. Motion carried.

Recreation Board Report: Tom Hubert gave the report. The park addition is underway. They are working on the concrete. They are trying to get work done. They are releasing another \$50,000 check from the American Rescue Fund. The grant wants a check to show the total is complete. There was a great group of volunteers that set up the ice rink. They need a small snow blower that they will receive from Barris's. The kids were excited to help and looking forward to skating. On December 8, 2022 there will be a tree lighting. The chorus will be there to sing. They need three days of cold weather to get the liner put in. There will be a set time for hockey once the rink is operational. Motion by Tom Hubert, seconded by Scott Malenky.. All votes yes. Motion carried.

Correspondence:

There is a Proper Disposal of Tires event brochure.

There are curbside collection events.

There is a grant for homeowners.

Richardson's new rate schedule is available. It will be voted on in January.

Free Training is being offered to the public.

Old Business: The website is up and running. There are a few things still to be added. The address is Shenango township.net.

The budget is essentially done. The grant money will go into the budget. The total may change based on where the grant money will go. Tom Hubert went over line items and explained them. He doesn't feel that they need another budget meeting. The pool cost has increased. Tom Hubert invited Brian Foster to the meeting. He didn't come. They want \$25,000 administration fee. This needs discussed.

New Business: Scott Malenky made the motion to accept McGill for our yearly audit. Seconded by Mike Weiser. Dale Perry wants a different company since there was a problem with McGill in the past. The audit has already been scheduled and finding a new company at such short notice would be hard. The vote was 4 yes and one no by Dale Perry. Motion carried.

Tom Hubert wants to discuss the park rental at the next meeting. He wants to consider increasing the cost to rent the pavilions and how to handle the use of the new court.

Tom Hubert made a motion to approve paying each employee \$750 for hazard pay from the American Rescue Fund. Seconded Dale Perry. All votes yes. Motion carried.

Dates to Note:

Christmas Tree lighting December 8 at 7 PM at the park

Volunteer Fire Department Auction December 10 from 6-9

Polar Express is December 3 beginning at 3 PM

Office closed November 24 & 25 for Thanksgiving

Payment of bills:

Motion by Scott Malenky, seconded by Mike Weiser to approve payment of bills from October 21, 2022, through November 17, 2022. All votes yes. Motion carried.

Adjournment:

Motion by Dale Perry, seconded by Mike Weiser. All votes yes. Motion carried.

