

Sunbury, PA 17801
June 9, 2021

The regular monthly meeting of the Shamokin Township Supervisors was held on June 9, 2021 at 7:30 p.m. at the Shamokin Township Municipal Building.

In attendance were Supervisors Gregory Rachau, and John Klinger, Solicitor Jim Bathgate, Roadmaster Jon Clemens, Sewage Officer Ken Young, Secretary/Treasurer Stephanie McKinney and 11 visitors.

Supervisor Rachau moved, seconded by Supervisor Klinger to approve the May minutes as presented. Motion was passed unanimously.

The Treasurer's Report was read and approved on a motion by Supervisor Klinger seconded by Supervisor Rachau. Motion was passed unanimously.

Nuisance Complaint

Concerning the nuisance complaint on Holly Road, Solicitor Bathgate reported that he is waiting to hear from the court concerning the citation that was issued against the property owner.

Road Dept.

Roadmaster Jon Clemens stated that Seda-COG did not receive the grant that they applied for to repair the Poppy Road bridge. Seda-COG is waiting for approval from Penn DOT for a temporary fix. In the meantime, another inspection will be held June 28th.

Mr. Clemens reported that AOAA has acquired the old railroad bed from Sunbury to Mount Carmel and is developing a master plan for a Rails to Trails program. Mr. Clemens reported that he was concerned since the township has the biggest area covered by this project in addition to more railroad crossings and a possible bridge. The group he met with could not answer on who would be responsible for maintaining the trail.

Supervisor Paul Rapp arrived at 7:34 p.m.

Concerning the County Action Plan, Mr. Clemens reported that they are working on reducing sedimentation and nutrient loads to the Chesapeake Bay. This will include a countywide stormwater management plan which must be done by 2025.

Concerning the accident at the traffic light involving a ATV and a car, Mr. Clemens reported that he has sent everything we have involving the traffic light to our insurance company.

Mr. Clemens reported that a proposed solar farm is going on Friedline Road. Mr. Sam Ferster stated that he and his neighbors are opposed to the solar farm. Solicitor Bathgate stated that with no zoning the township cannot stop it.

Mr. Clemens reported that dust oil and crack sealing have been completed and one round of mowing has been completed.

American Rescue Plan Funding

Secretary McKinney reported that she has completed the paperwork that DCED requires to receive the American Rescue Plan Funding. It was noted that there are limited ways to spend the funds.

DEP

A letter was received from DEP concerning the completed cleanup of a fuel spill on Snyderstown Road.

Health Insurance

Secretary McKinney presented health insurance quotes from Geisinger. The board will review for the next meeting.

Road Cuts

Mr. Clemens reported on road cuts that were done on Tulip Road by Aqua PA without them first obtaining a permit nor returning the road to its original condition. Solicitor Bathgate will send a letter to Aqua PA concerning road cut permits and the road cut ordinance will be reviewed.

Adams Park Road

Mr. Michael Yucha was present to state his concerns about a landowner's removal of tree stumps on Adams Park Road that he felt would cause a change to the natural water conveyance and was very concerned about heavy rain and the was drainage in the area of their homes. Mr. Yucha presented pictures and read a letter he wrote to DEP, quoting a township ordinance concerning work in a flood plain area.

Solicitor Bathgate stated he would review the ordinance and discuss the situation with Ken Young and action will be taken if necessary.

Supervisor Rachau moved, seconded by Supervisor Klinger to adjourn the meeting at 8:02 p.m. and to pay the invoices. Motion was passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephanie A. McKinney
Secretary/Treasurer