

ANTHONY TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS

Regular Meeting

Wednesday September 5, 2018

The meeting was called to order by Richard R. Hess, Chair, at 7:00 P.M. In attendance were Supervisors Richard R. Hess and William Hartman. Dennis Sheatler was not in attendance. Roadmaster Frank Rishel and 33 visitors were also in attendance.

All motions are approved unanimously unless otherwise noted.

Richard Hess made a motion to approve the minutes of the August 1, 2018 monthly meeting. Second William Hartman.

Richard Hess made a motion to approve the Treasurer's report for August. Second William Hartman.

Richard Hess made a motion to approve payment of the bills for September. Second William Hartman.

Richard Hess made a motion to approve the work session minutes for August 28, 2018. Second William Hartman.

Old Business:

The zoning report for August was 2 permits issued for a total of \$100.00.

Roadmaster Frank Rishel presented a written report on the road work done in August.

Frank Rishel requested the board to consider compensating a local resident, David Stoltzfus of 261 Sportsman Road, for his willingness to retrieve a 48" x 20' pipe that was washed away during the current storm on August 14, 2018. The cost to replace this pipe would have been \$954.14 plus a \$15 delivery fee from Fry's Plastic. After some discussion Richard Hess made a motion to send a check in the amount of \$50 for his kindness. Second William Hartman.

Penny Rishel reported that she called the Central Susquehanna Community Foundation to make sure that the township could apply for the \$5,000 grant that is available for flood damage expenses. The foundation stated that the request should effect the people of the township. After much discussion Richard Hess made a motion to allow Penny to apply for the grant for the reimbursement of the cost of the dumpsters that were ordered by the township as well as those that the flood victims ordered. Residents will need to submit their invoices for reimbursement. Second William Hartman.

Penny Rishel reported that the water testing results were negative for any kind of bacteria. Hopefully the new water tight cap on the well will prevent the test from having a positive. The next step is a UV light if we receive another positive. Dorothy Sartwell recommended that if we need to install a UV light we should have a surge protector on it.

New Business:

Richard Hess reported that the township received a letter from Montour County Commissioners thanking the township for assisting with the removal of trees at the bridge located on Foggy Mountain Road prior to the flooding event of August 14.

Discussed attendance at the Montour County Convention on Thursday October 18, 2018 at the Montour Delong Fair building. Richard Hess made a motion to approve attendance for the same officials who attended the previous year at a cost of \$15/person for a total cost of \$75.00. Second William Hartman.

Richard Hess approved ½ page advertisement in the convention book for the cost of \$65.00 and to put the same ad as last year. Second William Hartman.

Richard Hess opened the floor for questions from the audience concerning the flooding event in August.

Public Comment:

Angela Carter: what happened to the money that was received from the dumpster that was labeled metal only? Mr. Hartman will look into that. It was not a dumpster that the township provided. Mr. Hartman believes the dumpster was one that Mr. Sensenig had delivered to Exchange.

Glenda Trivelpiece: asked if she could submit a bill to the township for the cost of the dumpster that she ordered privately? Some residents were using her dumpster instead of the ones that were ordered by the township and the county. The board told her to submit her invoice. Is a permit needed to build up the bank at the creek at her house? She was given the name and phone # of Tyler Servose at Montour County Conservation District. He can answer that question.

Paula Davis: asked if she could read a letter to the board. Disappointed in the township and how things were handled. Building being opened should not have been her job to inform the residents. The dumpsters were not delivered fast enough and there should have been more of them available. Communication was lacking, need a crisis action plan. Mr. Hess thanked her for reading the letter.

Jerri Gilsky: asked how the Chillisquaque Lake was handled. Mr. Hess reported that he was in contact with Bob Stoudt and he was aware of the procedure.

Walt Persing: it was reported that there were girds in the middle of the creek at Foggy Mountain Road Bridge and he asked who built it that way. No one knows the answer to that question, they were installed many years ago.

Pam Steinbach: since this storm there is no longer a channel from Exchange to Fletchers property. What can be done about this? Mr. Hess reported that residents living along the creek can call Tyler at the Conservation District and request a permit to clean out the debris that is located along the waterway at their property. Mr. Hartman reported that in 1972 the core of engineers came in and cleaned out the creek but that practice is no longer done. Pam stated that PennDot needs to pay more attention to the pipes and ditches in the township. Many residents agreed that there are issues in the township with PennDot pipes and ditches. Penny took down the names of the individuals with concerns and she will contact our PennDot representative with their concerns.

Steve Kirkner: he feels that our EMC, George Dalykas, did not go a good job for the people of the township. Mr. Hess stated that the board believes that George did a good job and we appreciate all that he did. He is a volunteer and is not willing to take any compensation for the work that he does. Steve also stated that the kids in town really did a great job in helping.

Paul Carter: he feels the same as Steve Kirkner that George did not do a good job. Julie Welliver and Heather Kirkner did a good job in helping the people. Paul is concerned because the pipe in front of this house has a post driven down through it. Concerned that when the road is fixed permanently it will not be corrected.

Josh Confer: maybe someone from the town of Exchange needs to be the one to communicate to the board when there is another flooding due to the fact that some of the board members were not aware of the flooding. Mr. Hess agreed that communication is one thing that needs to be worked on. The township officials as well as the county could have done better. Joe Davis thanked Mr. Hess for that comment.

Bill Sartwell: he recommended that the supervisors have pagers so that they can be contacted whenever there is an emergency. Kurt Masser was contacted and he said that the township building should have been opened for the people of the town. Frank Rishel acknowledged that the building was opened at 4AM on Tuesday the 14th. Bill also stated that a local Amish family brought a hot meal for all the residents in Exchange.

Tammi Singer: was not aware of the need in the town and asked if there is a way to let people know of this in the event of another emergency. Mr. Hess stated that we need to encourage people to send their email addresses to the township.

Steve Dewald: In 1972 and 1975 the local fire companies were contacted to help the people evacuate their homes and this flood was worse than both of those.

Janet Persing: a crisis disaster management system needs to be put into place. Mr. Hess appreciated the recommendation and ask her to put her thoughts together and drop them off at the office.

Jack Kirkner: recommended installing a siren for emergency situation.

Richard Hess thanked everyone in the audience for attending and for their comments. He encouraged everyone to take pictures of all of their damage and have them available when government agencies request them.

There being no further official business Richard Hess made a motion to adjourn at 8:40 PM. Second William Hartman.

Submitted by,
Penny Jo Rishel, Secretary/Treasurer

CORRESPONDENCE FOR SEPTEMBER

Montour County

Montour County Board of Assessment Appeals

Appeal hearing for assessed value of home

Charlene Nothstein of 88 Yeagle Road

Clyde & Wanda Mingle of 159 Mingle Road

Real Estate Transfers

Darren & Beth Seibel to Lori Digan & Jeffrey Nobel at 40 Robb Lane

Cody Trowbridge to Matthew & Laura Getz at 28 Shale Road

US Bank National Association to Dennis Swartz at 1095 Gold Road (Muncy Exchange Road property)

Miscellaneous Correspondence:

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