

Township of Bradford, McKean County

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April 10, 2017
Regular Meeting
7:00 P.M.

Municipal Building
136 Hemlock Street
Bradford, PA 16701

Roll

Supervisors Present: Jim Erwin, who presided, Gayle Bauer and Steve Mascho

Minutes

Gayle Bauer **moved** to approve the minutes of the monthly board meeting held on March 13, 2017 as written and recorded.

Steve Mascho **seconded**; the motion **passed** unanimously.

Invoices for Approval

Steve Mascho **moved** to accept invoices totaling \$422,717.01 for payment.

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| 1. General Fund | \$ 65,127.86 | 2. Sewer Fund | \$ 345,981.51 |
| 3. Garbage Fund | \$ 10,648.03 | 4. Lighting Fund | \$ 959.61 |

Gayle Bauer **seconded**; the motion **passed** unanimously.

Citizen Input

Joe Henry spoke to the Supervisors regarding his sewage billing of \$44.00 per month on property that is vacant. Mr. Henry was advised that he would need to disconnect from the sewer to eliminate the monthly billing, however, there would be a \$1,000.00 charge to reconnect. He was advised that he would need to contact the Township office when the disconnection is completed for an inspection to be done.

Correspondence / Communications

Jim Erwin **announced** that the next monthly Board Meeting of the Board of Supervisors will be held on May 8, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

Jim Erwin spoke about the Township road crew assisting Jones Township with their upcoming bridge project and in turn the Jones Township crew would assist us with the Sleepy Hollow Bridge project. Jim asked if there were any objections from Supervisor Bauer and Supervisor Mascho and both indicated they had no objection.

Gayle Bauer announced that the Township received a letter from the Pennsylvania Highway Association announcing that the Township has been chosen to receive the 2017 road and bridge safety improvement award for the Langmaid Lane Bridge replacement project. Supervisor Bauer commented that this award was number one in the State and it is quite an accomplishment.

Reports of Officials and Committees

Jack Carns, Zoning Officer **reported** six (6) permits were issued with an estimated \$388,700.00 in improvements to the Township.

George Corignani, Code Enforcement Officer **reported** seven (7) sale inspections, one (1) rental inspection and two (2) complaints during the month of March.

Norman Strotman, Jr., Zoning Hearing Board – **absent**.

Steve Mascho, Planning Commission **reported** that they did not hold a meeting in March.

Jim Erwin **reported** the Road Department crews changed pipes out on W. Corydon Street to take care of some flooding issues. They are repairing the sweeper in preparation to sweep the roads once we receive some rain. There will be some ditching to take care of and the crews will start spring maintenance.

Gayle Bauer **reported** the Township Police Department handled 201 calls for service, investigated ten (10) motor vehicle crashes and conducted 44 hours of traffic enforcement during the month of March.

Chief Shipman **spoke** about moving out of the way when being approached on the roadways by emergency vehicles or when they are approaching police vehicles in the process of a traffic stop. Chief also asked that motorists be mindful of road and garbage crews that are working along the roadways.

Ordinances and Resolutions

New Business

Steve Mascho **moved** to appoint Julie Newman to the Bradford Area Library board for a three year term with her term expiring on December 31, 2019.

Gayle Bauer **seconded**. Roll call vote: Gayle B., aye; Steve M., aye; Jim E., aye.
Motion **passed unanimously**.

Gayle Bauer **moved** to approve the hire of Robert Taylor as a full time sanitation crew employee with a hire date of March 16, 2017 at the rate of \$14.00/hour as set and approved at the March 13, 2017 public meeting.

Jim Erwin **seconded**. Roll call vote: Gayle B., aye; Steve M., nay; Jim E., aye.
Motion **passed by majority**.

Gayle Bauer **moved** to approve the hire of Corey Black as a full time sanitation crew employee with a hire date of March 20, 2017 at the rate of \$14.00/hour as set and approved at the March 13, 2017 public meeting.

Jim Erwin **seconded**. Roll call vote: Gayle B., aye; Steve M., nay; Jim E., aye.
Motion **passed by majority**.

Gayle Bauer **moved** to approve the estimate as presented by E&M Engineers in the amount of \$4900.00 for engineering fees to prepare plans, specifications and bidding documents for the replacement of 245' of 8" sewer on Cedar St and 330' of sewer line on Spruce St and the replacement of 3 manholes.

Steve Mascho **seconded**. Roll call vote: Gayle B., aye; Steve M., aye; Jim E., aye.
Motion **passed unanimously**.

Bids were opened and reviewed for the West Corydon Paving project as advertised.

Bids were submitted by IA Construction in the amount of \$182,915.97 and Glenn O. Hawbaker in the amount of \$181,055.10.

Steve Mascho **moved** to award the bid to Glenn O. Hawbaker in the amount of \$181,055.10.

Gayle Bauer **seconded**. Roll call vote: Gayle B., aye; Steve M., aye; Jim E., aye. Motion **passed unanimously**.

Bids were opened and reviewed for the asphalt interlayer reinforcement to be used in the West Corydon Paving project as advertised.

Gayle Bauer **moved** to award the only bid submitted for the asphalt interlayer reinforcement in the amount of \$60,600 to Henderson Construction Fabrics, Inc. Steve Mascho **seconded**. Roll call vote: Gayle B., aye; Steve M., aye; Jim E., aye. Motion **passed unanimously**.

Bids were opened and reviewed for the Sleepy Hollow Bridge replacement project as advertised.

Gayle Bauer **moved** to award the only bid submitted to Swanson Fabrication in the amount of \$118,562.50 for the bridge superstructure. Steve Mascho **seconded**. Roll call vote: Gayle B., aye; Steve M., aye; Jim E., aye. Motion **passed unanimously**.

Gayle Bauer **moved** to re-advertise for the bridge components that were not received for the Sleepy Hollow Bridge project and to seek co-stars bids for items that are not required to be included in the revised advertisement. Steve Mascho **seconded**. Call for vote; all in favor. Motion **passed unanimously**.

Public Participation

Dave Debolt commended the Bradford Township Police department for their response to his home on a recent malfunction with his burglar alarm while he was out of town.

Tim Moonan questioned Supervisor Mascho on his reasoning for "no" votes on agenda items. Supervisor Mascho responded that on the recent hires he would rather see the jobs go to part-time workers and save the cost of benefits.

Vern Hart inquired on what was being done about the junk vehicles on the Emerson property. George Corignani, Code Enforcement Officer responded that he was notified but we need a place to haul them and he will need to be cited.

Rocco Camas inquired about the bridge weight on E. Warren Road and the use of the smaller truck for picking up the garbage on that road. Jim Erwin responded that they were backing down to the bridge with the packer to pick up the garbage and now the crews are using the "little" truck.

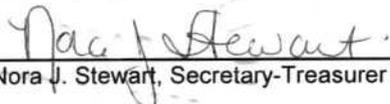
Henry Spencer commented about the road foreman position and inquired if someone else was being offered the position. Jim Erwin responded that he is handling the position at this time with no pay. He outlines the weekly projects for the crew on a weekly sheet.

Adjournment

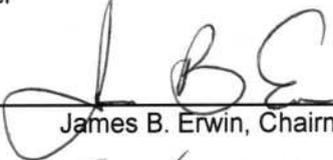
Gayle Bauer **moved** to adjourn the meeting.
Steve Mascho **seconded**; the motion **passed** unanimously.

Jim Erwin announced that they will be reconvening to an executive session to discuss pending legal litigation.

Motion adjourned at 7:40 p.m.



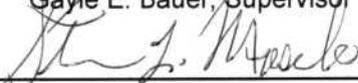
Nora J. Stewart, Secretary-Treasurer



James B. Erwin, Chairman



Gayle E. Bauer, Supervisor



Steven L. Mascho, Supervisor

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