

Union Township Board of Supervisors
Minutes/ Regular Meeting
June 6, 2023

The regular monthly meeting of the Union Township Board of Supervisors was held on June 6, 2023. Supervisors Reitz, Allred and Bieber were present. Also in attendance were Atty. Lyons, Kevin Sokol, Ben Wetzel, Greg Wagner, and Gary and Diana Shields.

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM followed by the pledge to the flag.

Having reviewed the minutes of the previous meeting, a motion was made by Tom Reitz, seconded by Mark Bieber and carried to approve the minutes as presented.

Public Comment:

Gary and Diana Shields attended the meeting with sewage enforcement concerns.

Ben Wetzel and Greg Wagner attended the meeting to present the Board with a budget and fundraising update on behalf of the Fire Company. Mr. Wagner mentioned that the Fire Company may be requesting a tax increase in the future. Supervisor Allred asked for an update on the camp ground mentioning a push back against raising taxes due to the Fire Company owning unused land.

Roadmaster report:

An estimate was received from Caterpillar for repairs to the generator hoses. This will be put on hold for the time. A ditch issue on Fox Ridge was brought to the attention of the Board. Supervisor Bieber and the Roadmaster will look for a resolution. Wash outs on Felmev Road including one involving the gas pipelines were taken care of.

Bids for two culvert pipe replacements were received from Fairchild Brother's and New Enterprise Stone & Lime with the following results:

Culvert #11 – Fairchild Brother's \$21,919.40; New Enterprise \$28,478.00

Culvert #13 – Fairchild Brother's \$55,782.75; New Enterprise \$55,590.00

After reviewing the prices from National Gunitite as well to repair pipe #11 instead of replacing it, a motion was made by Billy Allred, seconded by Mark Bieber and carried to add pipe #11 to the National Gunitite contract at a price of \$18,220.00. A motion was also made by Billy Allred, seconded by Mark Bieber and carried to accept the bid for culvert #13 only from New Enterprise Stone & Lime at \$55,590.00.

Driveway Permits and Ordinance was discussed. The Board and Atty. Lyons will review a sample Ordinance for discussion at the next meeting.

A request was made to Penn DOT by Representative Rowe's Office on behalf of a resident, requesting a Farm Machinery Crossing sign near 988 SR 304. The Township would be responsible for installing and maintaining the sign. Discussion was held on the effectiveness of signs. The Board made the decision to request additional PSP speed enforcement on SR 304 as well as to request permission from Penn DOT to install the crossing sign. A motion was made by Billy Allred, seconded by Mark Bieber and carried to authorize the secretary to write the

recommendation letter to Penn DOT requesting the sign, as well as to contact PSP for speed enforcement.

CDL and Non CDL employee drug testing was discussed. The Board will look into having all equipment operating employees be a part of the random drug testing program.

A motion was made by Tom Reitz, seconded by Billy Allred and carried to no longer call upon Justin Brouse for seasonal help.

Checks 5393 – 5428 were presented for payment with bills totaling \$122,908.02. A motion was made by Billy Allred, seconded by Mark Bieber and carried to approve bills as presented.

Motion was made by Billy Allred, seconded by Mark Bieber and carried to adjourn the meeting at 9:30 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Wendy Yoder
Secretary

General Fund	\$53,929.00
State Fund	\$21,193.00
ARP Fund	\$175,059.00
Equipment Fund	\$41,684.00
Total	\$291,865.00