

Union Township Board of Supervisors
Minutes/ Regular Meeting
September 1, 2020

The regular monthly meeting of the Union Township Board of Supervisors was held on September 1, 2020. Supervisors Reitz and Bieber present at 7:00 P.M. Supervisor Allred present at 7:30 P.M. Also in attendance were Rick Wetzel UTFC, Chris Benfer UTFC, Jeffery Brouse and Atty. Lyons.

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. 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.

Rick Wetzel attended the meeting on behalf of the Fire Company to clarify and request an updated Resolution that is required by CSR 911 for the Fire Chief to make changes to fire and EMS responses in Union Township. Atty. Lyons will draft a Resolution for Board approval at the October meeting.

Chris Benfer also attended the meeting to present the Board with a proposed plan that would generate income for the UTFC by developing the river front property owned by the Fire Company into a seasonal campsite.

Roadmaster Report:

- The dead ash tree on Seven Kitchens Road that is posing a safety issue was discussed again. A motion was made by Billy Allred, seconded by Tom Reitz and carried to send another letter to the property owner demanding removal of the tree.
- An inlet at the driveway at 2500 Supplee Mill Road was cleaned out at the expense of the property owner. To properly address road water run off issues at that location, a motion was made by Billy Allred, seconded by Mark Bieber and carried to hire Fairchild Brother's to fix the driveway tie in at an estimated of \$1800.00.

A motion was made by Tom Reitz, seconded by Mark Bieber and carried to approve the purchase of a new Caterpillar 420 XE Backhoe Loader at the price of \$121,814.00, with a trade in of the 2001 Caterpillar 420 D Backhoe at a value of \$20,000.00, bringing the purchase price to \$101,814.00.

Temporary help was used to clean up downed trees and limbs from storm damage throughout the Township. The Board discussed and agreed to pay the labor rate of \$15.30/ hr. to the temporary help.

The William Street Temporary Construction Easements will expire December 31, 2020. Atty. Lyons recommended doing new agreements that will be effective until December 31, 2022 so the project can be completed. A motion was made by Billy Allred, seconded by Mark Bieber and carried to authorize Atty. Lyons to prepare new Temporary Construction Easements for the Glick and Hogan properties as well as a new agreement for the use of the Karen Facer property as a detour for the project.

The Township is required to update the Floodplain Ordinance in concurrence with the new Flood Insurance Rate Maps established by FEMA. The Secretary will make contact with Leslie Rhoads again at the PA Municipal League for guidance on the updates.

Due to the Secretary being out of the office, the regular October meeting will be rescheduled for October 13, 2020 at 7:00 PM. A motion was made by Billy Allred, seconded by Tom Reitz and carried to authorize and advertise the meeting change.

Checks 4590 – 4617 were presented for payment with bills totaling \$151,534.11. A motion was made by Tom Reitz, seconded by Billy Allred and carried to approve payment of bills as presented.

Motion made by Tom Reitz, seconded by Mark Bieber and carried to adjourn the meeting at 9:30 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Wendy Yoder
Secretary

General Fund	\$126,951.42
State Fund	\$427.28
Equipment Fund	\$10,727.84
Total	\$138,106.54