

Patterson Township Board of Commissioners

Work Session

Monday, August 7, 2023 4:00 p.m.

Attendants:

Commissioner Wagoner

Commissioner Bartoe

Commissioner Kristian

Chief Stanislawski

Commissioner Inman- 4:15

Commissioner Kretschman- via phone

Township Secretary Milnes

Items discussed:

- Commissioner Kretschman reviewed his agenda items, brief discussion on next steps for the completion of road restoration on Highland Ave and Glenn Ave and how to notify residents occurred. Commissioner Kretschman will draft letter to be sent out to residents providing Township's next steps.
- Commissioner Kretschman advised the Board of the sewer related matter which occurred on Figley Street. This matter will be referred to the Solicitor for guidance.
- Commissioner Kretschman provided a brief update on the status of items for the new recycling center.
- Commissioner Kretschman advised he is completing the list for 2023/2024 snowplow drivers; he will present any names for approval at the September monthly meeting. He advised that leaf collection will be from October 23-Thanksgiving, weather dependent. Notice will be sent to the residents with the sewer billing and posted on the Township website.
- Commissioner Bartoe presented options for firefighter retention and recruitment incentives which included certification-based compensation rewards and commitment-based rewards. He advised that the Fire Department is in agreement to share costs for EMS, QRS and Firefighting certifications incentive programs.

- Commissioner Bartoe shared communication from the County regarding up to \$50,000.00 grant funding from mergers of Police and fire departments.
- Commissioner Bartoe highlighted the Beaver County Emergency Services newsletter which recognized Patterson Township and Patterson Heights Fire Departments for their assistance with the County Hazmat recertification.
- Commissioner Inman reviewed activities in the park over the last month; he will provide a full report at the monthly meeting. He advised that the Eagle Scout project has been completed. Township Secretary/Administrator Milnes will reach out to Eagle Scout to see if he will be available for the September meeting to be recognized.
- Commissioner Kristian provided an update on the pending projects; he will provide a full status report at the monthly meeting. Discussion occurred with regard to landscaping at the Honor Roll; Commissioner Kristian will reach out to the Master Gardener Society for assistance with this upgrade project.
- Commissioner Wagoner advised that the Police contract ends next year and that this would likely be the time to start discussion with the Police department on the possibility of merging with the municipalities we already offer police services for. Discussion occurred with regard to possibly moving from contract-based services for police to merging to give Patterson Heights and White Township a “seat at the table” for the services. Discussion was held with the possibility of offering the same type of agreement to other neighboring municipalities.
- Township Secretary/Administrator Milnes provided the quotes for record digitation for Township records; the options were discussed and this matter will be tabled until budget discussion to determine if this could be included in the budget for the next year.
- Commissioner Wagoner provided a brief update on the JSU and PUC matter.
- Meeting ended 5:25

End of Meeting