

Patterson Township Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
June 9, 2022

The Patterson Township Board of Commissioners held their regular meeting on Thursday, June 9, 2022, 7:00 pm at Patterson Township Municipal Complex, Beaver Falls. Following the call to order and Pledge of Allegiance, roll call showed the following Commissioners were present; Commissioner DeLuca, Commissioner Wagoner, Commissioner Inman and Commissioner Eckelberger, Commissioner Bartoe was absent.

Public Hearing: None

Minutes: The minutes of the regular meeting held on May 12, 2022 and the work session held on June 6, 2022 were presented for approval. Motion was made to accept regular meeting minutes from May 12, 2022 and the work session minutes from June 6, 2022 by Commissioner Inman seconded by Commissioner Eckelberger, motion passes.

Public Comment/Visitors:

Chris Jolliffe-612 Darlington Road-Mr. Jolliffe came to the Board to again express his concerns with putting names and addresses on the grass pickup bags. Mr Jolliffe questioned what will be done with the recycling grant which the Township was awarded. Mr. Jolliffe asked when the Road program would begin and was advised there is a preconstruction meeting scheduled for tomorrow, a timeline for work will be determined at that meeting. He also questioned the terms of the Code enforcement agreement which the Township was voting on at this meeting, he requested a summary be provided on the terms of the agreement. Commissioner Wagoner advised that New Brighton would handle all the items the previous code enforcement officer did; to include code enforcement and rental inspections/ license. Mr. Jolliffe also asked when 8th Street Hill would be repaired, he was advised to reach out to PENNDOT as this is a state road, the Township has already notified PENNDOT regarding its condition. Lastly, he asked if the Township had received any interest in the part time Public Works position, Commissioner Inman advised he will be requesting permission to hire 2 people for this department.

Jeff White-2212 17th Street-Mr. White came to the Board to request that the speed be monitored on his road, he also requested additional police coverage for his road. Chief Stanislawski explained how the process for ticketing is to be administered. Mr. White gave the Police department approval to park in his driveway while monitoring speed. Chief Stanislawski advised that the Police will monitor his road over the next month.

Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer's Report for the General Fund, Sewer Fund and PLGIT accounts were presented by Secretary Christin Milnes. A motion was made by Commissioner DeLuca; seconded by Commissioner Inman accepting the reports as presented, after a Roll call vote; Pass unanimously.

Secretary Milnes requested permission to invest \$300,000.00 from the WesBanco account in the Township's PLGIT for a period of 90 days. A motion was made

by Commissioner DeLuca, seconded by Commissioner Eckelberger; after a Roll call vote; Pass unanimously

Monthly Bills: The monthly bills for April/May were submitted for payment. Motion was made by Commissioner Inman; seconded by Commissioner DeLuca approving payment after a Roll call vote; Pass unanimously.

Engineer's Report: *Larry Lennon*, presented his monthly report regarding the following items:

Municipal Authority CAP/DEP Notification-no update at this time

MS4 Program- Concept plans were reviewed with Commissioner Inman on June 1, 2022. LSSE is proceeding with stream restoration design/ permitting preparation as well as Highland Avenue BMP design. Commissioner Wagoner asked if the Township is using County ARPA funds, is it an issue to limit the projects to two of the four proposed? Larry Lennon advised that there will be no issue with the County by reducing the scope to two projects instead of four.

2022 Road Program- Preconstruction meeting scheduled for Friday June 7, 2022 at the Township office. The timeframe for project will be determined at said meeting.

CFA Small Water and Sewer Grant- Lindsay Drive: work has been completed; a final walk through will be scheduled to ensure all concerns have been addressed.

PennDOT Multimodal Grant- Sidewalk improvements- Larry Lennon advised the Township that the PENNDOT agreement is due back by the end of the month and requested a motion to provide signing authority and a motion to execute the agreement. He advised that he will be working to ensure that PENNDOT will allow to complete under the Liquid Fuels guidelines for bidding process. Commissioner Wagoner advised that the Township's share for this project is \$43,590.00. Secretary Milnes budgeted half of this amount in this year's budget, which will be placed into the investment account if not paid this year. When the 2023 budget is completed it will include the remaining half of the Township's share. Commissioner Eckelberger asked what the timeline would be to break ground, she was advised that LSSE and Secretary Milnes do not have a timeline from PENNDOT. A motion was made by Commissioner Inman to adopt Resolution 2022-016 to provide signing authority for project documents to Secretary Milnes, seconded by Commissioner DeLuca, after a Roll call vote; Pass unanimously a second motion was made by Commissioner DeLuca to execute the agreement with PENNDOT, seconded by Commissioner Inman; after a Roll call vote; Pass unanimously

Fern Ave Drainage Improvements- Survey work has completed by engineers; study of area and conceptual plans are being completed and will be presented the Board for review.

Lowman/ Norcia Plan of Subdivision- Field survey completed and was reviewed with Commissioner Inman on June 1, 2022.

Solicitor's Report: *Sherri Hurst provided the following report:*

Attorney Hurst advised that her firm has reviewed the proposed agreement with New Brighton for Code Enforcement Services, she is requesting a motion adopt Resolution 2022-015 authorizing the Township to enter into an intergovernmental agreement with New Brighton for Code enforcement services and also a motion to execute the agreement. A motion was made by Commissioner DeLuca, seconded by Commissioner Inman, under discussion Chris Jolliffe asked if the Township addressed the following items in their agreement; timeframe for resolution if citations are not addressed; does the agreement allow the Board to address concerns in a timely manner; He expressed concern for entering this agreement, Commissioner Wagoner advise that the contract is an 18th month contract with a 6-month notification period to terminate the agreement. Discussion held, a motion was made by Commissioner DeLuca to adopt resolution 2022-015 to authorize entering into the intergovernmental agreement with New Brighton, seconded by Commissioner Inman; after a Roll call vote; Pass unanimously. A motion was made by Commissioner DeLuca to authorize execution of the intergovernmental agreement with New Brighton for code enforcement services, seconded by Commissioner Inman, after a Roll call vote; Pass unanimously.

Attorney Hurst also advised that she attended the Zoning hearing Board public meeting to ensure that there was no change from the previous notification, attorney Patterson read into the record the emails from the contractor confirming that the Variance request has been rescinded.

Committee Reports:

Administration and Police – Commissioner Wagoner presented the following reports:

Police Report– Police Chief Stanislawski submitted his May 2022 report for review. No comments or questions were asked.

COG, Finance, Fire & Emergency Management – in Commissioner Bartoe's absence Commissioner Wagoner presented the following reports:

ARPA Spending- Commissioner Wagoner requested a motion to adopt Resolution 2022-017. A motion was made by Commissioner Eckelberger to adopt Resolution 2022-017 authorizing ARPA funds spending, seconded by Commissioner Inman, after a Roll call vote; Pass unanimously.

Callout service- May call outs consisted of 11 call outs for a total of 15 hours. Commissioner Wagoner read the following accolade into the record from the Chippewa Twp Fire Dept relating to the fire on Emmet Drive:

"Just a quick note of thanks on behalf of Deputy Chief Syka, myself and my entire department for your rapid response and quick work of what most certainly could have been an extremely difficult tragedy should the reports of entrapment had been accurate.

Having each other's backs makes all of our jobs a lot easier and knowing you all have ours is truly a blessing to our community.

Thanks!"

Public Works– Commissioner Inman presented the following report:

DEP CAP Plan- Commissioner Inman advised he is waiting on the Engineers to provide the list of homes which need to be dye tested.

Ray Street Turn around- Commissioner Inman advised that he had the Public Works Crew put gravel in the turnaround area, he did request an estimate to pave this area, which came back at over \$20,000.00 as such this will be placed on hold.

Skid steer repairs – Commissioner Inman advised that there will need to be repairs made to the Skid Steer, the alternator and belts all need to be replaced, a quote for \$1,160.36 has been received by Maricec and was approved by Commissioner Inman.

Public works: Commissioner Inman advised he would not be making a motion to hire a full-time employee as one was not needed. Commissioner Inman made a motion to hire Kenneth LeClair, pending successful completion of Physical and drug screen at a rate of \$18.00, seconded by Commissioner Eckelberger, under discussion, when will he be working, Commissioner Inman advise he would be a part time employee and he would assign hours to be worked. Commissioner Eckelberger asked if this was the individual who applied and was only interested in full time, Commissioner Inman stated no he was not. Motion restated by Commissioner Inman, and seconded by Commissioner Eckelberger, Commissioner Inman went on to make the following series of motions before the final motion was made:

Commissioner Inman made a motion to hire Nathan Hoover at the summer help rate of \$15.00/ hour to work 2 days a week, seconded for discussion by Commissioner DeLuca, under discussion on why the days were limited to 2 days.

Commissioner Inman changed the motion to hire 2 summer help employees at a rate of \$15.00/hour to work 40 hours a week, under discussion purposes. Discussion was held on why on one summer help would be limited to 2 days a week and 2 additional summer help employees would be offered 40 hours a week. Motion fails for lack of a second.

Motion to hire Nathan Hoover as a summer help worker for \$15.00/ hour, seconded by Commissioner DeLuca; after a Roll call vote; Pass unanimously.

Commissioner Iman then made a motion to advertise for 2 additional summer help employees to work the months of June, July and August. Discussion was held, seconded by Commissioner Eckelberger; after a Roll call vote; Pass unanimously.

Commissioner Inman advised again that he will not be making a motion to hire a full-time employee.

Buildings & Grounds and Zoning – Commissioner DeLuca no report.

Recreations and Community Life – Commissioner Eckelberger presented the following report:

Park Improvement Project- Commissioner Eckelberger made the following motions relative to work in the park: She advised that there are two Eagle Scouts currently working on projects within the park, the next few workdays will be to continue leveling the trails. She advised that the new concrete pad was poured on Wednesday, Landon Hall Construction will be back to seal and put anti-slip coating on next week. She advised that Fox's Home Renovations is ready to begin work on building the new pavilion, as soon as the trusses have been received. Commissioner Eckelberger made a motion to amend the approved amount from last meeting from \$6,000.00 to \$6,500.00 to match the amount received on the quote. Seconded by Commissioner DeLuca, after a Roll call vote; Pass unanimously. Secondly; Commissioner Eckelberger made a motion to remit payment in the amount of \$6,500.00 to Landon Hall Construction, for the concrete pad installed at the Park Pavilion area, seconded by Commissioner Inman after a Roll call vote; Pass unanimously.

Commissioner Eckelberger advised there was a meeting for the 9/11 5k race, she was unable to attend and will provide an update, Commissioner Wagoner advised that for the Community Day portion, there are funds allocated for this.

Code Enforcement – discussed under Solicitor's report

A motion was made to accept all committee reports as presented was made by Commissioner Inman and seconded by Commissioner DeLuca, motion passes.

Unfinished Business: Secretary Milnes advised that Pacer Studios will be at the Township office to present a presentation on the updates to the new website and to provide a status update. This presentation will be at 3:30 on Monday, June 13, 2022.

Township Agencies: Commissioner Wagoner advised that upon review it was determined the Mr. Kyle Frederick's conditional use request was submitted to the wrong municipality, based on his address and parcel number his property is located within the city limits for the City of Beaver Falls.

Communications: None

New/Miscellaneous Business:

Joint Sewer Users- a motion was made by Commissioner Inman to remit payment in the amount of \$56,521.77 to the joint sewer users for the second quarter or 2022, seconded by Commissioner DeLuca, roll call vote; Pass unanimously.

Non-Uniform Pension- Secretary Milnes advised the Board that the close out of the annuities for Richard Smith, Tina Seery and Maria Fleming have been cashed out and

the funds deposited into Huntington Bank Non-Uniform plan. The total amount deposited into the Non-Uniform plan was \$105,370.49

Executive Session: None

There being no further business to be brought before the Board, motion was made by Commissioner Inman to adjourn; seconded by Commissioner DeLuca. The meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Christin Lyn Milnes

Copy: Kenneth G. Fawcett, Esq.
Larry Lennon, Jr., P.E.
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