

Patterson Township Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
July 14, 2022

The Patterson Township Board of Commissioners held their regular meeting on Thursday, July 14, 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, let the record reflect Commissioner Bartoe was absent.

Public Hearing: None

Minutes: The minutes of the regular meeting held on June 9, 2022 and the work session held on July 11, 2022 were presented for approval. Motion was made to accept regular meeting minutes from June 9, 2022 and the work session minutes from July 11, 2022 by Commissioner Eckelberger seconded by Commissioner DeLuca, motion passes.

Public Comment/Visitors:

Eric Hoover- 1608 Ross Hill Road-Mr. Hoover thanked the Board for the paving of Ross Hill Road. He advised the Board that the park improvement project is moving forward and stated that all updates will be posted on Facebook. Commissioner Wagoner thanked Mr. Hoover on behalf the Board for his dedication to this project.

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.

Commissioner Wagoner reminded the Board of the \$300,000.00 investment which was approved at the last meeting and pointed out the move of the money in the report.

Monthly Bills: The monthly bills for June/ July 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-CCTV contract has been awarded and this work will begin soon. Dye testing is still being completed by Township Public Works staff.

MS4 Program- Yearly training was completed. Mr. Lennon advised that Board that there will need to be an update to the Ordinance, he will work with Attorney Fawcett to

prepare the updated ordinance for review by the Board. Discussion was held with regard on how/ what should be budgeted for the MS4 projects. Engineers advised to hold off until the Township receives information regarding the grants for which it applied for.

2022 Road Program- All work completed with the exception to yard restoration. Engineer Lennon requested a motion to pay partial payment #1 in the amount of \$413,395.56. A motion was made by Commissioner Eckelberger to remit payment in the amount of \$413,395.56 to Youngblood Paving as follow: \$124,327 from the General Fund, \$127,260.00 from ARPA funds and \$169,809.00 from Liquid Fuels, motion seconded by Commissioner Inman, after a Roll call vote; Pass unanimously

CFA Small Water and Sewer Grant- Lindsay Drive: majority of the work has been completed, partial payment request #2 was submitted in the amount of \$88,737.04, a motion was made by Commissioner Inman to remit payment in the amount of \$88,737.04 to Youngblood Paving for partial payment #2 for the Lindsay Drive Storm Water Project, seconded by Commissioner DeLuca, after a Roll call vote; Pass unanimously

PennDOT Multimodal Grant- Sidewalk improvements- No update at this time from LSSE

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- subdivision plans are being finalized for submission to the Township and the County for review.

Solicitor's Report: *Kenneth Fawcett provided the following report:*

Attorney Fawcett provided a copy of the Beaver County Highway Safety Task Force agreement with the County to the Board for Review, he advised the Board that there needs to be clarification with regard to specifically what is reimbursed to the Township prior to execution of the agreement. He advised that a resolution will need to be prepared to approve the agreement, he requested permission to approve with preparing the resolution for the next meeting, the Board concurred as long as clarification was received on what was reimbursable, discussion was held.

Attorney Fawcett advised that should the Township wish to allow members to participate via phone, a physical quorum must be present, he advised the Township should consider a policy to address attendance via phone, discussion was held and approval provided for Attorney Fawcett to proceed with beginning to draft a policy for the Township to adopt.

Committee Reports:

Administration and Police – Commissioner Wagoner presented the following reports:

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

White Township Contract- Commissioner Wagoner advised that Chief Stanislawski has sent a letter to White Township stating that the Contract is set to expire at the end of 2022. Chief Stanislawski advised that White Township has requested a draft contract for their review and consideration. Commissioner Wagoner appointed a committee of Commissioner Bartoe, Chief Stanislawski and herself to complete the contract negotiations with White Township.

BC School Emergency Symposium-Commissioner Wagoner advised that Chief Stanislawski will be attending on July 19 and 20th at CCBC. This year's topic with cover responses to school shootings.

Website update- Commissioner Wagoner advised the Board that staff training is tentatively set for July 21, 2022.

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

Callout service- June call outs consisted of 17 call outs for a total of 33 hours.

PLGIT Transfer- Commissioner Wagoner provided accoladed from Commissioner Bartoe for Secretary Milnes recognizing the investment opportunity with Township funds and being able to secure higher interest rate than anticipated. The amount of \$300,000.00 was transferred from WesBanco to PLGIT and invested at a rate of 2.0300% for 90 days beginning on June 15, 2022.

Public Works– Commissioner Inman presented the following report:

Public works: Commissioner Inman advised that he would like permission to advertise for full time employees. Discussion was held on whether the job description should be updated, it was agreed that this should be reviewed prior to hiring. Commissioner Wagoner asked how Commissioner Inman wished to advertise and when he would like this advertisement to run, discussion was held and the advertisement should be placed in the Beaver County times with the added advertisement being placed in Zip Recruiter.

Commissioner Inman advised that he will be placing the motion to hire a part time snow plow driver on hold until the fall.

DEP CAP Plan- Commissioner Inman advised that to date the Public Works crew has been able to completed 47 of the 210 Dye tests

Buildings & Grounds, Recycling and Zoning – Commissioner DeLuca presented the following report:

902 Recycling Grant- Commissioner DeLuca advised the Board that the Township has been awarded a recycling grant in the amount of \$216,000.00. Commissioner DeLuca made a motion to accept 902 Developmental and Implementation of Municipal Recycling Program Grant in the amount of \$216,000.00 (Total Project \$240,000.00, TWP Share \$24,000.00), seconded by Commissioner Eckelberger, discussion was held with regard to the budgeting of the Township's share for this grant, motion passes.

Commissioner DeLuca made a motion to authorize e signing of grant agreement by President Paula Wagoner and Secretary Christin Milnes, seconded by Commissioner Inman, motion passes

Fire Department Electronic Sign- Commissioner DeLuca advised that the Township Fire Department members Hank Crognale and Timmy Wuenschel have completed the preparation and electrical for the electronic sign which should be delivered in early August. Discussion was held with regard to having a policy in place for the use of the sign between the Township and the Fire Department. Attorney Fawcett advised he can prepare once terms have been decided on. Commissioner DeLuca advised he will speak with Hank Crognale and get back to Ken once the terms have been decided on.

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

Park Improvement Project- Commissioner Eckelberger advised the Board that the Work in the park continues, there are still a number of trails which are being leveled. The pavilion has been installed and the concrete pad has also been installed. She thanks Eric Hoover again for all of his work. Commissioner Eckelberger advised that the Ray Street entrance is being filled much quicker than anticipated and thanked Commissioner Inman for his assistance with making this happen. Eric Hoover requested that Commissioner Inman reach out to Lindy Paving and allow them to also put fill dirt at Ray Street as they are working on the Paving project on Darlington Road and Steffin Hill.

Commissioner Eckelberger made a motion to make a donation in the amount of \$1,500.00 from the Community Day account to the Patterson Township Fire Department to be used for the Package for the Bounce house, dunk tank and community day activities, seconded by Commissioner Inman, after a Roll call vote; Pass unanimously.

Commissioner Eckelberger advised that she will discuss a sponsorship for the 5K with the Board at the August work session.

Commissioner Eckelberger advised that she will be working with Eric Hoover to compile a list of all Eagle Scouts who have completed projects in the Park so that they may be recognized at the October meeting and possibly with the plaque in the Park.

Code Enforcement – Report was received from New Brighton, No questions or concerns raised.

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

Unfinished Business:

PennDOT Sidewalk grant- Commissioner Wagoner advised that the Township needs to rank the engineers who provided statements of interest to PennDOT, she advised that she is appointing a committee of Secretary Milnes, Attorney Fawcett and herself to complete this process.

Township Agencies:

Commissioner Eckelberger advised that she has confirmed with the County Assessment office and Joshua Eckelberger will attend the September 8th meeting to answer the residence questions and concerns regarding the upcoming assessment changes. This meeting will be advertised and held at the fire station prior to the Regular Monthly meeting.

Communications:

2021 Municipal Annual Audit and Financial Report- Report has been filed by the Township Auditor. The Auditor will be invited to an upcoming work session to review last years audit with the Board.

Letter- Lindy Paving- PennDOT Project on Darlington Road and Steffin Hill will begin on July 18- August 3, 2022

Letter- Evoqua- Price increase of 17% from \$3.40 to \$4.21/ gallon effective 06/01/2022 through 05/31/2023 for bioxide used at the South Lift Station.

E-Mail- PA Municipal League- Invitation to “*The Evolution of Fire Services in Pennsylvania’s First-Class Township’s*” series if interested in attending virtually please let Secretary Milnes know and she will make sure you are registered.

New/Miscellaneous Business:

Patterson Township Municipal Authority – 4th Supplemental Lease payment - \$8,526.78 to Patterson Township Municipal Authority- a motion is made by Commissioner Inman, seconded by Commissioner DeLuca to remit payment in the amount of \$8,526.78 to the Patterson Township Municipal Authority for the fourth supplemental lease roll call vote; Pass unanimously.

KS State Bank- 2021 Police Enforcer Yearly Payment- a motion to remit payment in the amount of \$12,772.69 to KS State Bank for the annual 2021 Police Enforcer payment was made by Commissioner Inman, Seconded by Commissioner Eckelberger to

remit payment in the amount of \$12,772.69 to KS State Bank roll call vote; Pass unanimously.

Public Comment (new)- Eric Hoover provided an update for the 9/11 event it will start with a pancake breakfast from 7-11 am there will be vendors, food trucks, live entertainment and a timed 5k Race. He advised that he has been able to secure volunteers from the US Navy, the JR ROTC, the Boy Scouts.

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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