

The regular monthly meeting of the Liberty Township Board of Supervisors was called to order on October 3, 2013 at 7 p.m. Present were Bill Goodrich, Alton Wilber, Jim Lindsey, Ann Smith, Eric Wilber, Barb Barnhart, Mary Jane Bolles, George Southworth Jr., Anna Bevan, Bruce Bevan, Jim Kerper, Ted Plevinsky, Don Rifenburg, Clifford Reed, Lori Raub, Tom Perkins, Lenny Kalechitz, Andy Lindsey, and Linda Rockwell.

Public Comments None.

Minutes Jim made a motion to approve the September 2013 Meeting Minutes as presented. Alton seconded and Bill voted yes.

Road Report Bill reported the following September activities: road work on Mahoney, Creamery, and Upper Rhiney; filling pot holes; dust control; and cleaning sluice heads.

Treasurer's Report Bill made a motion to approve the September 2013 Treasurer's Report as presented, pay Bill List 10-13, pay any bills which are normally paid during the month, and pay the payroll for October. Jim seconded and Alton voted yes.

A question was asked regarding the payroll differences between August and September. Bill responded that more employees were working. A question was also asked why there were two United Healthcare payments made in September. Both were Bill's for September and October.

Scheduled Public Input Don asked if the township was getting any royalties on the lease by the dump. Bill responded no. Dan asked if the township is still getting proposed well sited. Bill responded yes and a general discussion ensued.

Ann asked if the township is notified of stripping and blasting of quarries. Bill responded no.

Don asked about the new trucks and were bids made. Bill responded no because they are approved by Co Stars. Lori noted that a motion should have been made at a regular meeting. (Note to minutes: discussion about truck purchases is written in prior minutes.)

Barb asked if there are by-laws in the township. Bill responded no; however, there is a township handbook and that she could borrow it. Ann noted that a person could go on-line and look it up.

Dan noted that Violet Henry said last month that her road was washed out. Bill and others did look at the road but did not find a problem.

Lori commented that even the County Commissioners pass a motion to purchase new vehicles. Ann noted that she had read an article in the paper was quite upset with Lori's husband. Further, Ann said that the township auditors will pick up any problems.

Don noted that every person has a right to have their questions answered.

Eric asked why truck purchases are not discussed in meetings. Bill responded that the township will correct that. (Note to minutes: discussion about truck purchases is written in prior minutes.) Bill gave a report on trucks and other equipment and their ages.

Linda noted that according to meeting protocol all of the above questions belong under Public Comments as none were Scheduled Public Input. Ann stated that maybe next month change public comments to later in the meeting.

Mary Jane stated that she remembered general discussion on getting new trucks occurring in a prior meeting. Further, she felt that it was not the intent of the supervisors to pull wool over anyone's eyes.

Barb asked if state and federal grants were available to help with insulating the building. Bill responded no. Lori asked why don't you tell her why you didn't insulate your building. You would negate your warranty on the roof. Lori began a general discussion on getting an engineer to look at the entire building. Bill questioned on what would be done with the fire equipment and the township equipment while this building is being torn down. Lori then asked if another township could be called. Bill responded that if the township had another piece of land that would be suitable for that purpose. Lori noted that it was discussed at the Planning Commission meeting. Bill also noted that there is not enough room out back of the building.

Don asked why the township needs a new building. Bill noted that he didn't think we do need one. Options were discussed on an equipment building.

Don asked if the township is looking for a newer tractor. Bill responded that the township is, but not this year. It is only in the discussion stage.

Lori questioned on what was going to be put into the shed. Bill responded that with five, twelve-foot openings with the end one being 20 feet and open with no doors. General discussion ensued.

Barb asked if the township is still allowing people to get cinders. Bill responded that a couple of buckets are okay for township residents but not truck loads.

Lori questioned the cost of the plans. Bill noted that the township does not know as we haven't been billed yet.

Old Business The Susquehanna County Township Officials Association is holding its 101st Convention on Wednesday, October 23. Bill made a motion that the three supervisors and Linda attend. Jim seconded and Alton voted yes.

The 2014 township budget meeting will be Wednesday, October 16, at 7 p.m.

New Business The truck bids were opened: Dennis Bevan, \$603.52 and Richard Greenway, \$999.99. Bill made a motion to rescind the two bids. Jim seconded and Alton voted

yes. Lori noted that the date was wrong on the bid ad. Linda commented that she made an error and it was corrected in the next publications appearing before the meeting date.

Meetings The supervisors coordinated their calendars to attend upcoming meetings.

Correspondence Linda read a letter from Joe Collura, CPA stating that he could provide December 31, 2013 audit services at a cost of \$950. No action was taken by the supervisors.

Payroll and Check Signing The supervisors signed the checks presented for payment.

Auditor Bill made a motion to appoint Ann Smith as auditor to replace Sandi Lord who resigned after moving from the township. Jim seconded and Alton voted yes. Ann will do a write-in as Sandi's term ends 2014, which means that the candidate must run in the 2013 election.

Adjournment Jim made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:16 p.m. Alton seconded and Bill voted yes.