

The regular monthly meeting of the Liberty Township Board of Supervisors was called to order on March 7, 2019 at 7 p.m.

Present were Alton Wilber, Doug Sivers, Dave Bailey, Clifford Reed, Mary Jane Bolles, James Lindsey, Lori Raub, Lennie Kalechitz, and Linda Rockwell. Susquehanna County Commissioner Alan Hall entered the meeting right before Scheduled Public Input.

Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Public Comments None.

Minutes Dave made a motion to accept the February 2019 Meeting Minutes as presented. Alton seconded and Doug voted yes.

Road Report Dave reported the following February 2019 activities: plowing and cindering as needed, ten loads of cinders have been delivered, and servicing of equipment.

Bid Opening Stone (road material) bids were received from F.S. Lopke Contracting, Inc. and New Enterprise Stone & Lime Co., Inc. The supervisors reviewed the bid prices. Dave made a motion to accept Lopke's bid. Alton second and Doug voted yes.

One fuel bid for both On-Road Diesel and Heating Oil was received from Mirabito Energy Products. The supervisors discussed fluctuating bid price compared to firm bid prices. Dave made a motion to accept Mirabito's firm price bid for both On-Road Diesel and Heating Oil. Alton seconded and Doug voted yes.

Cinder bids were received from Brown Farms Enterprises, Oliver J. Gage Trucking, and G.L. Parrish. The supervisors reviewed the bid prices. Alton made a motion to accept Brown's bid. Dave seconded and Doug voted yes.

Dust Control bids were received from Suit-Kote Corporation and Vestal Asphalt, Inc. The supervisors reviewed the bid prices. Dave made a motion to accept both Suit-Kote and Vestal Asphalt's bids. Alton seconded and Doug voted yes.

Linda will notify all bidders.

Treasurer's Report Dave made a motion to accept the February 2019 Treasurer's Report, pay Bill List 03-19, pay any bills which are normally paid during the month, and pay the payroll for March. Doug seconded and Alton voted yes.

Scheduled Public Input Commissioner Alan Hall stated that Secretary Richards will be visiting Susquehanna County roads on April 18, 2019. Supervisors and others attending the meeting offered a list of roads to be looked at during the visit.

Old Business Linda explained that a 2018 DCA Audit finding that the Quickbook general ledger balance sheet accounts should reconcile to the actual balances, specifically payroll taxes. This was due to the entering of payroll as scheduled instead of unscheduled which created the problem. Linda has since contacted QuickBooks who walked her through correction of the error, which is now fixed.

May 1 is the deadline for submission of the Statement of Financial Interests.

Questions from the floor: Has the solicitor been contacted regarding the Treasurer's Bond? Doug replied that Solicitor Michael Giangrecco had and stated that each person responsible for the finances needs to be bonded. Has an alternate township secretary position been advertised? No.

Question from the floor: Is anything being done with the Grange Hall, which received flood damage? Doug responded that the people affected by the flood have top priority now. He does not know whether funds will be forthcoming for the Grange Hall.

Question from the floor: Has the solicitor been contacted about the insurance walk-through with the recommendation that the building be equipped with a fire alarm system. The solicitor stated that it did not have to be done as it was only a recommendation. Both the insurance company and our agent for insurance have been notified in writing of the supervisor decision to not do the recommendation.

Question from the floor: Has the Right-to-Know information been put on the township's website. Yes.

New Business Doug explained the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program with buy-out options for homeowners. The township makes application on behalf of residents. Seven might be interested; however, he has since learned that the homes must be in the flood plain. There is also a group including County EMA, PEMA, and voluntary organizations who have identified \$12,200 available. They will be getting in touch with homeowners. The public assistance funding for the township is in a holding pattern now. May 24 is the deadline for homeowners applications for buy-outs.

Meetings Planning Commission is March 11 and COG is March 19.

Correspondence The Susquehanna County Tax Claim Bureau has notified the township that Alice L. Roe has made her returns in full for Liberty Township for 2018.

Check Signing The supervisors signed the checks presented for payment.

Adjournment Dave made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:06 p.m. Alton seconded and Doug voted yes.