# Regular Monthly Meeting March 12, 2015

The regular monthly meeting of the Shenango Township Board of Supervisors was held on Thursday, March 12, 2015, at 6:00 p.m. at the Shenango Township Municipal Building, with Supervisors Russell Riley and Albert Burick, III, present.

## Present at the Meeting:

Gail Tillia Kimberly Booher Joe Budai Timothy Buck Brenda Phillips Larry A. Greenawalt Judy Martwinski Carol Tuminello Brandy Downing Bill Phillips Dave Brooks

The meeting was opened with a salute to the flag.

The minutes from the monthly meeting of February 12, 2015, could not be approved due to a lack of a quorum. The minutes were approved from the special meeting of March 9, 2015.

Sergeant Darrin Cwynar gave the monthly police report.

Fire Chief David Rishel gave the monthly Fire Department report, and said the fire department will be receiving delivery of a new tanker soon, replacing a 31-year-old tanker.

Mr. Riley said, before anyone comments on the roads, we are aware and realize that the roads are a mess. The Public Works Department has gone through approximately four truckloads of material already, at a cost of approximately \$800.00 per load.

#### **Public Comment:**

Gale Tillia, Harmony Baptist Road, commented on the hillside next to the parking lot at the township building and said the fire department could burn it off so that it would not pose a danger to pine trees up over the hill, which could be costly to replace.

Judy Martwinski, Big Run Creek Road, asked if the supervisors had answers to her questions from the last meeting regarding Mr. Phillips. Solicitor Lou Perrotta explained that a couple questions were addressed at the last meeting, but the supervisors cannot discuss personnel issues. They can say, without naming names, there were specific items regarding vendors and creditors, fees and wages that were not authorized by the supervisors at meetings. Mrs. Martwinski asked if the raises were approved. Mr. Perrotta said they cannot answer that directly, but Mr. Phillips had no contract. Mrs. Martwinski also commented that Big Run Creek Road has potholes that have potholes.

Carol Tuminello, Old Butler Road, asked if anything was going to be done about the entrance to Orchardale. Mr. Riley said it is in the top ten roads to be worked on. Mr. Burick said he and Mr. Riley just drove around today, and Old Princeton Road is bad, possibly needing resurfaced. Ms. Tuminello asked if they knew why Brian Tanner was in court without an attorney. Mr. Burick said they do not

know what it means. Ms. Tuminello said she needed to speak with Mike Lynch. The supervisors said they would get Mr. Lynch's number for her.

Joe Budai, Melody Lane, said his question had already been answered, but spoke about roads in the township.

Tim Buck, Service Street, questioned what has been with My Favorite Place, and he felt that only two of the pictures he presented at a previous meeting had been taken care of. Mr. Burick said Mike Lynch has cited My Favorite Place and believes they have 60 days to take care of the problems. Mr. Buck said there is water runoff and there is water running in his garage.

Bill Phillips, Highview Drive, asked about the cost and what kind of truck the township purchased. Mr. Burick said it is a Dodge, and Mr. Riley gave the specifics of the truck and said the cost was approximately \$75,000.00. Mr. Burick said it will be paid through the capital fund, which is money left over from the police building. Mr. Phillips asked if the capital fund is in the budget. Mr. Burick explained how funds are listed and separated as far as the budget.

Dave Brooks, Douglas Drive, said his mailbox was fixed very quickly and he wanted to thank whoever did the work on it. He also said he would still like to see Mr. Phillips hired back.

Larry Greenawalt, Berger Street, complained about ATV's, barking dogs and hearing gunshots around his house. Mr. Riley asked if he has called to let the police know. Mr. Greenawalt said he has not called. Sergeant Cwynar said he went to a residence and paperwork is being filed. Sergeant Cwynar said ATV's are always a problem and the police try to enforce the law with regard to them, but they can just take off into the woods away from the police, and the police will not kill anyone trying to catch someone because people are making stupid decisions. Mr. Greenawalt said the police do a good job, and wanted to know if signs could be put up saying no ATV's, or could we adopt an ordinance or put something in the paper.

#### **New Business:**

Motion by Mr. Burick second by Mr. Riley to approve payment of the General Fund expenses of \$13,203.57. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Burick second by Mr. Riley to approve payment of the Payroll expenses of \$68,104.73. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Burick second by Mr. Riley to approve payment of the Fire Tax Fund expenses of \$21,203.57. Motion carried.

Mr. Riley explained that the Township is looking to purchase another piece of equipment, a 2015 John Deere 524K Wheel Loader, through the Pennsylvania State COSTARS program. This would replace a 1998 piece of equipment. Chris Grimes of Murphy Tractor Supply was present to explain the piece of equipment, then answered questions from the residents. Joe Budai asked if the Township ever considered leasing. Mr. Grimes explained leasing versus purchasing as far as the Township goes. Mr. Burick said the Township is financing it into the year 2022 at three percent (3%), at a cost of \$18,300.00 per year, in the 2016 budget, with the first payment due next year.

Motion by Mr. Riley second by Mr. Burick to purchase a 2015 John Deere 524K Wheel Loader through the Pennsylvania State COSTARS program. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Riley second by Mr. Burick to advertise and set a Board of Supervisors hearing date for an Intermunicipal Liquor License transfer. Mr. Riley explained that there is a proposed bar and restaurant to go in at the former Garden of Eagan. Mr. Perrotta explained how the law has changed regarding transferring liquor licenses. Motion carried.

### Ordinances:

Motion by Mr. Riley second by Mr. Burick to adopt Ordinance #3 of 2015, PSATS Unemployment Compensation Agreement. Motion carried.

### Resolutions:

Motion by Mr. Burick second by Mr. Riley to approve Resolution #7 of 2015, Intermunicipal Liquor License Transfer Fee Schedule. Mr. Burick explained this Resolution. Motion carried.

Mr. Riley said he, Mr. Burick and Mr. Rishel are going to sit down with Morrones regarding the two houses on Ellwood Road that they own and about installing a fence so that the junkyard is not visible. Junior Morrone is in favor of the meeting. Mr. Riley also said the township is close to having an urgent care center at the former Long John Silver's site. There are also things being worked on with the plaza and the former county home.

Motion by Mr. Riley second by Mr. Burick to adjourn.