

Regular Monthly Meeting
June 11, 2015

The regular monthly meeting of the Shenango Township Board of Supervisors was held on Thursday, June 11, 2015, at 6:00 p.m. at the Shenango Township Municipal Building, with Supervisors Russell Riley, William Albertini and Albert Burick, III, present.

Present at the Meeting:

Bill Phillips
Marshal Presnar
Brenda Phillips
Jodi Johnson
Joe Monsour
Michael Mansour

Gale Tillia
Shirley Sallmen
Barbara Thompson
Brandon Rishel
Dave Brooks

The meeting was opened with a salute to the flag.

The meeting was called to order and the minutes were approved from the regular monthly meeting of May 14, 2015; the Liquor License Transfer Hearing of May 26, 2015; and the Special Meeting of June 8, 2015.

Officer Michael Lynch gave the monthly police report.

Brandon Rishel, Assistant Fire Chief, said he would like to speak to the supervisors regarding an issue with bingo at the Shenango Township Fire Department.

Public Comment:

Bill Phillips, Highview Drive, said the Township needs to support Senate Bill 299 and not Senate Bill 54.

Marshal Presnar, Circle Drive, questioned the status of the formation of a citizens review board. Mr. Riley said he and Mr. Burick talked about it, but got busy and have not formed one as of yet.

Barbara Thompson, Boyd School Road, thanked the supervisors for the paving work that was done on Old Pittsburgh Road, and questioned the chances of Brian Tanner's trial being taken out of Lawrence County. Solicitor Louis Perrotta said a hearing is scheduled before a judge, there is case law on it and it is up to the discretion of the judge.

Jodi Johnson, County Line Road, said she would like a "No Trucks" sign put up on her road because her property is getting ruined by semi-trucks. Mr. Albertini said a business cannot be stopped from using the road. Mr. Burick said he spoke with the supervisors from Hickory Township and they felt the road was big enough. Mr. Riley said the Shenango supervisors may need to sit down with the Hickory Township supervisors and discuss it.

Brandon Rishel, East Washington Street, spoke about a citizens review board. He also said the supervisors need to consider raising taxes in small, steady increments, since they have not been raised for 14 years.

Joe Monsour, Hoover Road, thanked the supervisors for taking care of his driveway. He also explained to Mr. Burick that his comments at the monthly meeting in May of 2015 were not directed at him personally, but he cares about the township and his opinion should count.

Dave Brooks, Douglas Drive, questioned the different types of funds that the Township has, and asked who is bonded. Mr. Burick said he is bonded, Mary Gay is bonded, and Mr. Perrotta said he is bonded. Mr. Brooks asked why there was no treasury report every month. Mr. Burick explained there was a report on the table at every meeting and anyone is welcome to look at it, and said some people even take a copy when they leave the meeting. Mr. Brooks said he still supports Bill Phillips.

Michael Mansour spoke with the supervisors and Mr. Perrotta regarding his proposed lot consolidation.

Old Business:

Mr. Riley said the supervisors put out a bid for a street sweeper which would require only one person to operate it and it would do leaves and clean ditches, and the price is \$22,900.00. Mr. Riley said the money would come out of the capital reserve fund from the sale of the sewers. A discussion was held regarding the street sweeper. Motion by Mr. Albertini second by Mr. Burick to purchase the street sweeper. Motion carried.

New Business:

Motion by Mr. Albertini second by Mr. Riley to approve payment of the General Fund expenses of \$115,068.08. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Albertini second by Mr. Riley to approve payment of the Payroll expenses of \$45,594.31. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Albertini second by Mr. Riley to approve payment of the State Fund expenses of \$106,393.84, which is for the second set of paving of 2014. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Albertini second by Mr. Riley to approve payment of the Fire Tax Fund expenses of \$455.64. Motion carried.

Mr. Riley said the Township is taking care of Alvaretta Boulevard and Dean Drive themselves, and they have already done Orchardale. Mr. Burick said the paving bids went out yesterday, June 10, 2015.

Mr. Burick said the Township is working on a lease agreement with an urgent care and doctors with Highmark.

Motion by Mr. Albertini second by Mr. Riley to approve an agreement respecting police jurisdiction between the Township of Shenango and Shenango Area School District. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Albertini second by Mr. Riley to go into executive session to discuss personnel. Motion carried.

(The Board of Supervisors moved to executive session at 6:52 p.m.)

(Reconvene at 6:58 p.m.)

Motion by Mr. Riley second by Mr. Burick to change the foreman in the Public Works Department from John Krueger to Albert Baeckel. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Albertini second by Mr. Riley to authorize Solicitor Louis Perrotta to commence civil action against Brian Tanner, Deno DeLorenzo, Selective Insurance and Cincinnati Insurance. Motion carried.

Mr. Perrotta explained the Township may potentially be looking for co-counsel or backup counsel of the law firm of Burke, Cromer, Cremonese out of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, at the rate of \$200.00 per hour and \$185.00 for an assistant, if the need arises, regarding a potential lawsuit against Brian Tanner, Deno DeLorenzo, Selective Insurance and Cincinnati Insurance.

Motion by Mr. Riley second by Mr. Albertini for approval to bring the law firm of Burke, Cromer, Cremonese on board if the need arises. Motion carried.

Mr. Burick explained the Steel City Sports Bar & Grille Land Development Plan and the issues that needed addressed. Motion by Mr. Albertini second by Mr. Riley to approve the Steel City Sports Bar & Grille Land Development Plan as fixed and corrected. Motion carried.

Mr. Burick explained the Medure's Catering, Villa II, Storage Building Land Development Plan. Motion by Albertini second by Mr. Riley to approve the Medure's Catering, Villa II, Storage Building Land Development Plan. Motion carried.

Subdivisions:

Motion by Mr. Albertini second by Mr. Burick to table the Final Plan Lot Consolidation for Mansour Plan No. 1. Motion carried.

Resolutions:

Mr. Burick explained Resolution No. 12 of 2015, Inter-Municipal Liquor License Transfer from the Mahoning Township to Shenango Township. Motion by Mr. Albertini second by Mr. Riley to ratify the Inter-Municipal Liquor License Transfer from Mahoning Township to Shenango Township. Motion carried.

Mr. Burick explained Resolution No. 13 of 2015, Shenango Township certifying provision of local match of state operating financial assistance to New Castle Transit Authority. Motion by Mr. Albertini second by Mr. Riley to adopt Resolution No. 13 of 2015. Motion carried.

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