Regular Monthly Meeting October 9, 2014

The regular monthly meeting of the Shenango Township Board of Supervisors was held on Thursday, October 9, 2014, 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:

Angela Eck
Shirley Sallmen
Joe Budai
Bill Alexander
Linda Turk
Tim Pears
William Cheslock
Joe Budai
Dave Brooks
Fred Kobbe

The meeting was opened with a salute to the flag.

The minutes were approved from the previous meeting.

Superintendent William Phillips gave the monthly police report.

Fire Chief John Krueger gave the monthly fire department report.

Public Comment:

Angela Eck, Savannah-Gardner Road, asked if a nepotism policy or a civilian review board has been created yet. Mr. Riley said there is no planned hiring at this time and, if and when there is, it will be discussed.

William Cheslock, Old Princeton Road, asked if they will be getting another police dog. Superintendent Phillips explained that it will all depend on Officer Dan Tressler and if and when he is ready. Mr. Riley said they are planning on getting a plaque in Drago's memory.

Shirley Sallmen, Old Princeton Road, questioned where the investigation stands. Solicitor Louis Perrotta said there is nothing to report and it is in the hands of the authorities. Mr. Cheslock said he saw in the New Castle News where charges were dropped against an individual charged at Vo-Tech in a similar situation and said that is what he brought up before, what if the individuals in Shenango are found not guilty, and asked Solicitor Perrotta his opinion. Solicitor Perrotta said he did not wish to comment.

Joe Budai, Melody Lane, asked if anything was being done about the property at the end of Melody Lane, and said there are neglected animals there, also. Mr. Burick advised that he thought Mike Lynch was out there today. Superintendent Phillips said he is ready to file papers, and advised to call Stacey Wiley at the District Attorney's Office about the animals.

Bill Alexander, Savannah-Gardner Road, said there are potholes on Old Pittsburgh road and hedges that obstruct the view of vehicles, and he would like something done about the potholes before salt is put down. Mr. Riley said if the hedges are not taken care of, they are in the township right-of-way and the township will cut them.

Remarks were made about speeding around the township and Superintendent Phillips explained the ENRADD system that they are waiting to hear back from as far as purchasing a used one from a Pittsburgh Borough. Mr. Riley asked Superintendent Phillips to look into the purchase price of a brandnew one and report back at the next monthly meeting.

Dave Brooks, Douglas Drive, questioned whether he would still be able to sell his house knowing that the sewers are coming. Solicitor Perrotta said absolutely.

Linda Turk, Baldwin Road, asked what is wrong with the phone system, since she called two times today and it kept ringing back to the recording. Mr. Riley said they would look into whether there is a problem.

Fred Kobbe, Stewart Avenue, questioned the time of tonight's meeting, thinking he saw in the newspaper it was to start at 7:00 instead of 6:00. Solicitor Perrotta explained that the meetings are advertised at the beginning of the year for the entire year and only changed meetings or special meetings are advertised.

Tim Pears, Rose Stop Road, asked if the township was planning on tarring and chipping any roads. Mr. Riley explained that that is presently being done, and explained that Castlewood roads are being put on hold as far as road work until they find out where the roads will be cut for the sewers, but said they can be patched for now. Mr. Albertini said they will fix the edge of Old Princeton Road. Mr. Kobbe asked why wait to pave as long as the roads are bonded for the sewer project. Mr. Riley explained his thoughts on that.

Motion by Mr. Albertini second by Mr. Burick to approve payment of the General Fund expenses. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Albertini second by Mr. Burick to approve payment of the Payroll expenses. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Albertini second by Mr. Burick to approve payment of the Park Fund expenses. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Albertini second by Mr. Burick to approve payment of the Fire Tax Fund expenses. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Albertini second by Mr. Burick to approve payment of the State Fund expenses. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Albertini second by Mr. Riley to send the James T. Irwin, Jr. and Michele K. Irwin Subdivision to be reviewed by the Shenango Township Planning Commission. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Albertini second by Mr. Riley to send the Domenic and Alice Viccari Subdivision to be reviewed by the Shenango Township Planning Commission. Motion carried.

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