

**RYE TOWNSHIP
SUPERVISORS' MEETING
August 25, 2014**

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PRESENT: Chairman Ken Quigley, Vice-Chairman Jim Sabo, Supervisor Tom Speck, Daisy Lightner, Secretary/Treasurer, Sean Fedder, Jean Snyder, Nancy Sunday, John M. Fitzsimmons, Pete Fitting, Lenny Tepsich, Nina Gilroy, Denby Quigley, Joe and Cindie Daubenspeck, Cathy Sabo, Luke Roman of the Duncannon Record, and P. Daniel Altland, Solicitor.

The meeting was held at the municipal building and called to order at 7:00 PM. Chairman Ken Quigley convened the meeting with the pledge of allegiance to the flag. The meeting was tape recorded to aid with the preparation of minutes.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION: Chairman Quigley asked if there was any citizen participation at this time. None was offered.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: Supervisor Sabo made a motion to approve the minutes of the July 28, 2014 supervisors' meeting, which includes the minutes of the actions taken at the August 15, 2014 reconvened meeting. Chairman Quigley seconded; Motion carried. Supervisor Speck abstained since he was not a supervisor at that time.

Chairman Quigley offered that he recently read in a publication entitled: "The Wry Facts" an article stated that the Township would advertise to hold a meeting on August 15, 2014 to accept letters of interest to fill the unexpired term of Supervisor Cree. Quigley stated that the fact sheet is not correct. The July 28, 2014 meeting was recessed and then reconvened to August 15, 2014 to avoid advertising expenses.

Chairman Quigley noted that Supervisor Speck took his oath of office and he will fill the term left vacant with the resignation of Ronald Cree until December 31, 2015.

REORGANIZATION OF THE BOARD: Due to the resignation of Supervisor Cree and the appointment of Supervisor Speck, the Board reorganized as follows:

Chairman Quigley made a motion with a second from Supervisor Speck to **appoint Jim Sabo as the Vice-Chairman** of the Board; Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Quigley made a motion with a second from Supervisor Speck to **appoint Jim Sabo as the Administrative Superintendent**; Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Quigley made a motion with a second from Supervisor Sabo to **appoint Tom Speck and Ken Quigley as Co-Road Superintendents**; Motion carried unanimously.

Supervisor Sabo made a motion with a second from Supervisor Speck to **appoint Jim Sabo and Tom Speck as Co-Road Equipment Superintendents**; Motion carried unanimously.

LAND DEVELOPMENT: Joe Burget of Burget Associates was in attendance to address the Board a second time relating to improvements proposed to a private drive along the Tepsich property on Ridge Road. Leonard Tepsich of 19 Ridge Road would like to subdivide his approximately 18 acre property to create a new lot to permit his daughter to build a new home. Burget provided a sketch and explained the recommendations made by the Planning Commission at their August 5, 2014 meeting discussion regarding the proposed improvements to the lot and private drive.

The private drive already services the maximum three (3) dwellings. The location of the proposed and existing drainage improvements, utility line locations, and slopes and grade of the property were discussed. Burget advised that the Planning Commission recommended the Board consider accepting this Ridge Road extension to enable Township and emergency equipment to turn around more safely in the cul-de-sac. Chairman Quigley said the current private drive would have to be updated to meet Township specifications before the township would accept ownership. However, all of those details would be worked out with the formal submission of the proposed subdivision plan to the Planning Commission. Burget thanked the Board and left the meeting at this time along with Lenny Tepsich and his daughter, Nina Gilroy.

MONTHLY MUNICIPAL REPORTS: The Sewage Enforcement Report was submitted by **SEO Lenny Sizer** of Madden Engineering. Chairman Quigley read the report: Five (5) activities: Chisel inspection for 590 Pine Hill Road; probes for Ed Jones, a lot off Fleisher Road; probes for a new lot and a residual for Robert McGearry at 3512 Grier Point Road; perc test for Heisley of New Valley Road for a total due in fees of \$840.00.

Zoning Officer, **Janet Hardman** provided an August Zoning Report as follows:

Five (5) Zoning Permits

One (1) Inspection

Four (4) Phone calls. Total due in wages of \$150.00

The Road Report was provided by Road Foreman Brad Sloop and read by Road Superintendent Ken Quigley. Chip brush at the Township, grade and clean ditches on Millers Gap Road; haul millings to Millers Gap Road and filled in pot holes; repair front tires on #7 backhoe and repair spare; repair mower #10; and mow and trim grass at the building.

Nancy Sunday of the Recreation Board was in attendance and reported a successful “Sundaes in the Park” on August 17th with over 100 people in attendance. She announced the last event planned for the year 2014:

- Halloween in the Park, October 18, 6:00 PM, Rain date of Sunday, October 19
Haunted trail, costume judging, hayride, food and snacks and fun for all!

No Emergency Management Report was presented. Assistant EMC, Pete Fitting reported that the Marysville Fire Company assisted in the removal of a downed tree along New Valley Road.

The July Treasurer's Report and Fund Balance Report were submitted for public review and read by the Secretary/Treasurer and with no discussion were accepted as read pending the final approval of the independent auditors.

RESOLUTIONS: Supervisor Speck made a motion with a second from Chairman Quigley to **adopt Resolution 14-15**, which confirms Rye Township’s agreement to the amendments in and adoption of an amended and Restated Declaration and Agreement of Trust as a participation employer with Trustees Insurance Fund through PSATS. Motion carried unanimously. Rye Township has its short term disability through PSATS, Trustees Insurance Fund. The amendment proposes no changes to current insurance.

Chairman Quigley made a motion and Supervisor Sabo seconded to approve and adopt **Resolution 14-16**, which authorized the Secretary/Treasurer of Rye Township to renew a Certificate of Deposit for 19 months at Members First Credit Union Enola designated for Park and Recreation in the amount of \$1,161.76 for a slightly better investment rate of 1.01%. Motion carried unanimously.

Upon due consideration, Chairman Quigley made a motion with a second from Supervisor Sabo to adopt **Resolution 14-17, Resolution 14-18, and Resolution 14-19**, which updates the authorized signers at Members First Credit Union, the Bank of Landisburg, and the Marysville Bank respectively for Rye Township's accounts. Motion carried unanimously.

LEGAL BUSINESS: Solicitor Altland discussed a proposed cable franchise agreement with Comcast. Comcast will not accept the 2 year term and desires a longer term. There is no agreement in place at this time. It was noted that Comcast services approximately 13 homes at the eastern end of New Valley Road.

OLD BUSINESS: Chairman Quigley made a motion with a second from Supervisor Speck to accept Supervisor **Jim Sabo's** request **to decline his salary for all compensation from here forward during his term as an Elected Supervisor** and to authorize the Secretary/Treasurer to set up a line item account entitled "Building Remodeling and Improvements" and transfer the amount remaining that was budgeted for his salary into this account. Motion carried unanimously.

Supervisor Tom Speck made a motion with a second from Chairman Quigley to accept **Supervisor Tom Speck's** request **to decline his salary for all compensation during his term as an Elected Supervisor** and to authorize the Secretary/Treasurer to transfer the amount budgeted for his salary as a Supervisor into the "Building Remodeling and Improvements" account. Motion carried unanimously.

One (1) quote was received for Fall Clean Up to be held Friday, October 3 and Saturday, October 4, 2014 as follows:

Vendor Name	Delivery Fee	Hauling Fee	TOTAL PER PULL	Tipping Fee per ton	Scrap containers	Fuel Surcharge
Sylvester's Services	\$100.00	\$69.00	\$169.00	\$68.00	Provided No Cost	No

Upon due consideration, Supervisor Sabo made a motion and Chairman Quigley seconded to accept the quote received from Sylvester's Services of Duncannon to provide roll offs for the Fall Clean up conditional upon receipt of a certificate of liability and workers compensation and proof of CDL testing for their drivers. Motion carried unanimously. It was the consensus of the Board to not include electronics in the bulk fall clean up.

Supervisor Sabo made a motion with a second from Chairman Quigley to not collect electronics at the Fall Clean up. Motion carried unanimously. The Board directed the Secretary to stress "*no electronics*" in the Fall Newsletter.

NEW BUSINESS: In compliance with Act 205 of 1984, Daisy Lightner, Chief Administrator of the Pension Plans, presented the Board with the 2015 Minimum Municipal Obligation, MMO, for the Pension plans. The 2015 MMO for the non-uniform pension plan is \$3,477.00. The 2015 uniform (police) pension plan Minimum Municipal Obligation, (MMO) is zero \$0.00. She explained that a recent actuarial report increased the MMO mainly due to a decrease in interest rates paid on investments at PMRS down from 6% to 5.5%.

Supervisor Sabo made a motion and Supervisor Speck seconded to accept the 2015 **Non-Uniform Pension Minimum Municipal Obligation, (MMO) at \$3,477.00** and the **2015 Uniform, (Police) Pension Minimum Municipal Obligation, (MMO) at zero \$0.00**. Motion carried unanimously.

Supervisor Sabo made a motion with a second from Chairman Quigley to designate Thursday, **October 30, 2014** from 6-8:00 PM as **Trick or Treat Night** in Rye Township. Motion carried unanimously. Chairman Quigley instructed the Secretary/Treasurer to notify the Newport PSP of the date established for Trick or Treat.

Chairman Quigley announced the following upcoming event:

- September 1 - Labor Day Holiday; Office Closed; Trash will be collected Wednesday, September 3rd.

APPROVAL AND PAYMENT OF THE BILLS: The Secretary/Treasurer provided an August check register and submitted the following checks for approval, signature and payment: General Fund Check #s 14501-14531 in the amount of \$56,626.85. No checks void.

Payroll checks #s 6712-6719 in the amount of \$ 3,969.73. No payroll checks void.

Payroll checks #s 6720-6725 in the amount of \$ 3,786.43. No payroll checks void.

Chairman Quigley asked for clarification on the check number 14531 in the amount of \$34,770.47 issued to Wilson Consulting. The Secretary/Treasurer offered that this check represents payment of two invoices for engineering services for the Pine Hill Road bridge replacement project. The Township received 80% reimbursement from the State for these expenses.

With no further discussion on the bills presented, Chairman Quigley made a motion & Supervisor Sabo seconded to approve and sign the checks and pay the bills. Motion carried unanimously.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION: Cathy Sabo of Reed Drive commended the Recreation Board for the “Sundaes in the Park” event. Everyone enjoyed themselves and the ice cream with toppings was fantastic!

ADJOURNMENT: With no further business before the Board, Supervisor Sabo made a motion with a second from Chairman Quigley to adjourn the meeting at 7:54 PM. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Daisy Lightner
Secretary/Treasurer