

**RYE TOWNSHIP
SUPERVISORS' MEETING
September 28, 2015**

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PRESENT: Chairman Ken Quigley, Vice-Chairman Jim Sabo, Supervisor Tom Speck, Daisy Lightner, Secretary/Treasurer, Sean Fedder, John Stahl, Jean Snyder, Landis Leonard, John M. Fitzsimmons, Luke Roman of the Duncannon Record and Daniel Altland, Esquire.

The meeting was held at the municipal building and called to order at 7:05 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 Speck made a motion to approve the minutes of the August 24, 2015 supervisors' meeting. Supervisor Sabo seconded; Motion carried.

Supervisor Sabo made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 14, 2015 supervisors' special meeting. Supervisor Speck seconded; Motion carried. Chairman Quigley abstained since he was not in attendance at the meeting.

LEGAL BUSINESS: Solicitor Altland offered that no response was received from the August 27, 2015 certified letter sent to the Wessels regarding the damage to Dutch Cemetery Road. The Solicitor requested that the Secretary provide him a copy of the letter.

The 149 Fleisher Road item was not discussed. A decision from the ZHB on the hearing held on September 8, 2015 for a variance is pending.

MONTHLY MUNICIPAL REPORTS: Zoning Officer, **Janet Hardman** provided a September zoning report as follows:

Six (6) Zoning Permits
One (1) Notice of Violation letter
Attend ZHB hearing
Attend Planning Commission Meeting
Three (3) Inspections
Four (4) Phone calls Total due in wages of \$360.00

The Sewage Enforcement Report was submitted by SEO Lenny Sizer of Madden Engineering. Chairman Quigley read the report: Nine (9) activities: Residual probes for 1570 Valley Road; Cover inspections for 1154 New Valley Road and 1820 Valley Road; probes for a vacant lot on Evergreen Drive; chisel inspection for 717 Pine Hill Road; site visit/consultation for a Lone Oak Drive property; application and permit issued for 290 Timber Ridge Road for a total due in fees of \$1,095.00.

The Road Report was provided by Road Foreman Brad Sloop and read by Road Superintendent Ken Quigley. Chip brush and mow grass at Township building, Grade ditches at Dean's Gap Road, service truck No. 4; replace damaged stop sign at Idle Road and Lambs Gap Road intersection; Install new mower head on #10 tractor/mower; haul antiskid to stockpile, clean and seal bridge decks on New Valley Road; and deliver and pick up #1 truck at Hoovers for repairs and inspection.

Chairman Quigley reported that Jay Fulkroad and Sons was awarded a small paving project on New Valley Road. They wanted to schedule the paving for tomorrow. However, the performance bond was mailed, but not received by the Township. The Solicitor advised no paving until the bond or a faxed copy of the bond is received.

No Recreation Board report was presented.

No Emergency Management Report was presented.

The August 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: Chairman Quigley made a motion with a second from Supervisor Speck to adopt **Resolution 15-17**, which transfers \$41,700.00 from the Highway Aid Checking account at the Marysville Bank (.10%) into a municipal easy access short term CD, (.65%) at the First National Bank of Mifflintown for a better return of investment. Motion carried unanimously.

Supervisor Sabo made a motion with a second from Chairman Quigley to adopt **Resolution 15-18**, which designates Marysville Bank as the depository for the Recreation and Parks checking account and updates the authorized signers for the account. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Quigley made a motion with a second from Supervisor Sabo to adopt **Resolution 15-19**, which opens and maintains accounts at Metro Bank of Enola and designates the authorized signers of the accounts. Motion carried unanimously. The Board anticipates taking advantage of the better investment rates offered for certificates of deposit and municipal accounts at Metro Bank.

Chairman Quigley made a motion and Supervisor Sabo seconded to approve and adopt **Resolution 15-20**, which authorizes the transfer of a matured Certificate of Deposit from Marysville Bank in the amount of \$158,606.21 to Metro Bank of Enola for 55 months at 1.98% capitalizing at 2%. Motion carried unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS: No old business was discussed.

NEW BUSINESS: Zoning Officer Hardman conducted an inspection of the Salvage Yard known formerly as 717 Recyclables and now renamed Highline Auto Parts located on New Valley Road in conjunction with the annual salvage yard renewal license. The results were satisfactory. Upon due consideration Supervisor Speck made a motion with a second from Supervisor Sabo to approve the application with the modifications requested and grant **the annual junkyard license to David Bair** for Highline Auto Parts Salvage Yard on New Valley Road. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Quigley made a motion with a second from Supervisor Sabo to approve the application with the modifications requested and grant the **annual junkyard license to Ryan Michael of Cove Hill Road** conditional upon payment in full of the license fees and a positive inspection report from Zoning Officer Hardman. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Quigley made a motion with a second from Supervisor Speck to rescind the motion that appointed Janet Hardman to the position of Driveway Permit Officer effective September 28, 2015. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Quigley made a motion with a second from Supervisor Sabo to appoint John Schulze as the Driveway Permit Officer for Rye Township effective September 29, 2015. Motion carried unanimously. John is an engineer with McCormick/Taylor. The Board expressed appreciation to John for offering his services to the Township.

Chairman Quigley presented a resignation letter from road employee, Michael Miller. With regrets, Supervisor Sabo made a motion with a second from Supervisor Speck to accept the resignation of full time road employee Mike Miller effective as of December 8, 2015. Chairman Quigley offered that Mike has some physical concerns and is no longer able to plow snow and ice for hours at a time and install the heavy chains on the larger trucks. Motion carried unanimously. The Board expressed appreciation to Mike for his dependable service to the Community for over ten years.

Supervisor Sabo noted that a resident came to him with an idea to create a “dog park” at the vacant ball field. Discussion ensued relating to liability created and costs to install and maintain the area. The Board explained that they only lease the Park property and do not own it. Any change in use requires the approval of the Rye Township Community Association, (the RTCA) who owns the property. The Solicitor requested the Secretary send him a copy of the Rye Township Park lease for review. No further action was taken on this request.

Chairman Quigley announced the following upcoming events:

- October 2 and October 3; Fall Bulk Clean Up; No electronics will be accepted.
- October 6- PC meeting cancelled; November meeting rescheduled to Wednesday, November 4 due to “Election Day”
- October 12- Columbus Day Holiday; Office Closed; No change in trash collection
- October 17- Halloween in the Park, 6:00 PM; Rain Date of October 18 at 5:00 PM
- October 29- Trick or Treat Night; 6-8:00 PM

APPROVAL AND PAYMENT OF THE BILLS: The Secretary/Treasurer provided a September check register and submitted the following checks for approval, signature and payment: General Fund Check #s 14928-14967 in the amount of \$160,759.13. No checks void.

Payroll checks #s 6903-6908 in the amount of \$ 3,827.46. No payroll checks void.

Payroll checks #s 6909-6913 in the amount of \$ 3,804.51. No payroll checks void.

Highway Aid check # 730 issued to First National Bank of Mifflintown in the amount of \$41,700.00 for deposit into a short term investment CD. No checks void.

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

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION: No citizen participation was offered at this time.

EXECUTIVE SESSION ANNOUNCED: Chairman Quigley announced that an Executive Session would be held with the Solicitor immediately following the adjournment of this meeting to discuss personnel issues and to seek legal counsel on an ongoing issue.

ADJOURNMENT: With no further business before the Board, Chairman Quigley made a motion with a second from Supervisor Speck to adjourn the meeting at 8:34 PM. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Daisy Lightner
Secretary/Treasurer