

**RYE TOWNSHIP
SUPERVISORS' MEETING
October 22, 2018**

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PRESENT: Chairman Ken Quigley, Vice-Chairman Jim Sabo, Daisy Lightner, Secretary/Treasurer, Emergency Management Coordinator, Jim Cassidy, Sean Fedder, Denise M. Chubb and Karl T. Zimmerman representing the Marysville/Rye Historical Society, Corinna Van Hine, Camille A. Otto, Denise Glenn, Jordon and Kim Groome, Tom and Caron Pawlicki, Jon Hoppenjans, and Luke Roman of the Duncannon Record.

FORMER SUPERVISOR PRESENT: Charlie Kunkle

EXCUSED: Supervisor John Stahl for medical reasons.

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. A quorum of the Board was established. The meeting was recorded to aid with the preparation of minutes.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION: Chairman Quigley welcomed everyone and asked if there was any citizen participation at this time.

Camille Otto of Reed Drive discussed her disappointment with the decision made by the Board in regards to the elimination of voluntary drop off recycling program.

The record notes that the current voluntary drop off program will be discontinued at the end of the year due to the recycling crisis that creates greater costs to provide the program and decreases the markets available for the recyclables. Beginning in January 2019 the only item for which the Township will provide recycling will be corrugated cardboard and shipping boxes. A container will be relocated in the rear of the facility available from Monday to Friday from 6 AM to 2 PM. Closed on Holidays and weekends.

Camille expressed concern with current trash bag limits with the addition of recyclables in the trash stream and that no formal bids were acquired to consider the actual costs for curbside recycling before making the determination to eliminate the current program. She also asked the amount of increase in the quarterly trash collection fees for 2019.

The Secretary/Treasurer said the 2019 Budget proposes the following trash rate increases:

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| Regular rate | \$54.00 | \$2.00 increase |
| Senior rate | \$43.00 | \$3.00 increase |
| Low Income | \$30.00 | \$3.00 increase |

Chairman Quigley offered that the Board has been discussing the recycling issue since June, because trash and recycling contracts expire the end of the year 2018. He assured her that the Board considered the costs and while no formal bids were acquired, the rough estimate given was \$17,000 for curbside collection of recyclables, or an additional \$72,000 annually. Currently, the Township pays \$11,200 per month for refuse collection. The monthly renewal rates for refuse collection for 2019 are \$11,600 and then increase to \$12,000 in 2020.

Chairman Quigley offered that Rye Township is not mandated to provide a recycling program. However, the Board plans to revisit this issue in the future in hopes that the recycling markets improve resulting in lower costs. In the meantime, he encouraged all to look for alternate methods of recycling. Be Green Recycling, located along Routes 11 & 15 in Marysville Borough, was suggested as a nearby drop off facility.

Karl Zimmerman suggested the use of a screened burning barrel for residents to burn paper to reduce the amount of trash set out for weekly collection.

The Secretary/Treasurer noted that a refuse newsletter will be mailed the beginning of December, which will include additional information on recycling and alternatives. She invited anyone to contact the Township office if they find a good alternative in the area for drop off recyclables.

PERSONS TO BE HEARD: Denise Chubb of the Marysville/Rye Historical Society presented the Board with an update of the progress of the Society since the last meeting. The Society has acquired a laptop and scanner. Several fundraisers have been planned. Monthly meetings are held at the Marysville Borough Office. The next one is scheduled for November 13 at 6:30 PM. They are looking for a building to rent or purchase to store tangible historical donations received. She requested the Board consider the Historical Society when planning the 2019 budget.

Chairman Quigley appreciated the update. He said that the 2019 Budget is tentatively complete and balanced. He encouraged them to continue to seek a property and keep the Board informed of their progress for future consideration. Denise thanked the Board and left the meeting at this time along with Karl Zimmerman.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: Chairman Quigley noted that he was absent at the September 24, 2018 board meeting due to illness and therefore could not vote on approval of the September minutes. The Secretary/Treasurer will add the approval of the September 24, 2018 supervisors' meeting minutes to the November meeting agenda for approval.

Vice-Chairman Sabo made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 4, 2018 budget workshop. Chairman Quigley seconded; Motion carried unanimously.

MONTHLY MUNICIPAL REPORTS: The Zoning Report was submitted by Zoning Officer, Lenny Sizer, Two permits were issued; seven (7) activities listed, with three of them involving junkyard reports and site visits and review of a complaint for a total due in fees of \$601.25.

The Sewage Enforcement Report was submitted by SEO Lenny Sizer of Frederick, Seibert & Associates, Inc. Chairman Quigley read the report: Four (4) activities: Pressure inspection for a new home at 830 New Valley Road and a chisel inspection for 830 New Valley Road and 875 Valley Road and percs for 1407 Valley Road for a total due in fees of \$550.00.

The Road Report was provided by Road Foreman Brad Sloop and read by Road Superintendent Ken Quigley. Cold patch on Mountain and Idle Roads, cut up a tree on the dirt portion of Idle Road, clean up dead trees along Pine Hill Road; repair a stop sign on Lambs Gap Road, repair hydraulic leak on the backhoe and the boom mower, trim pines on Reed Drive, clean ditches on Idle and Deans Gap Road, chip brush and mow grass at Township building.

A Recreation Board report was not presented. Halloween in the Park was held on Saturday, October 20 as scheduled with approximately 70 participants. The Marysville Boy Scouts once again did a great job creating and hosting the haunted trail.

Emergency Management Coordinator, Jim Cassidy was in attendance and discussed emergency preparedness measures for the upcoming fall and winter seasons. He encouraged residents to keep a land line phone, which is operable during extended power outages.

The September Treasurer's Report was submitted and read by the Secretary/Treasurer and with no discussion, was accepted as read pending final approval of the independent auditors.

RESOLUTIONS: Chairman Quigley made a motion with a second from Vice-Chairman Sabo to adopt **Resolution 18-22**, which authorized the Secretary/Treasurer to transfer a matured Comp Plan CD at the Bank of Landisburg to a different term of 33 months at 2.70% for a better rate of return. Motion carried.

Vice-Chairman Sabo made a motion with a second from Chairman Quigley to adopt **Resolution 18-23**, which authorized the Secretary/Treasurer to transfer Highway Aid monies from Pennian Bank to the Marysville Bank Highway Aid Checking to pay for the 2018 paving projects and to transfer the remaining funds approximately \$15,517.13 from the Highway Aid Checking account at the Marysville Bank (.10%) into a municipal easy access short term CD, (1.45%) at the Bank of Landisburg for a better return of investment. Motion carried. The amount listed as remaining may fluctuate slightly due to interim interest calculations.

NEW BUSINESS: Upon due consideration and discussion, Vice-Chairman Sabo made a motion with a second from Chairman Quigley to tentatively approve the **2019 budget** and authorize the advertisement of the proposed 2019 budget for public review for the next twenty (20) days with tentative final adoption at the November 19, 2018 supervisors' meeting; motion carried unanimously. The record notes the budget is balanced with no tax increases. The General Fund Budget increased 10.2% from the 2018 Budget and proposes no major capital purchases. The 2019 proposed budget was placed on the front table and made available for public review.

Vice-Chairman Sabo made a motion to approve **Resolution 18-24**, the 2019 Schedule of Wages, which establishes the salaries for all full, part time & part time temporary employees effective for the first payroll in January 2019. Chairman Quigley seconded; motion carried.

Chairman Quigley made a motion with a second from Vice-Chairman Sabo to accept the resignation of Tamara Matter from the Recreation Board effective December 31, 2018. Motion carried. The Board expressed appreciation to Tammy, who served on the Recreation Board for over ten (10) years.

Chairman Quigley announced the following upcoming events:

- October 31- Trick or Treat Night; 6-8:00 PM
- November Planning Commission meeting rescheduled to Nov. 13 due to Election Day.
- November 12 – Veterans' Day Observed; Township closed; no change in trash collection
- Rye History Books are still available for sale at \$25.00 each.

APPROVAL AND PAYMENT OF THE BILLS: The Secretary/Treasurer provided an October check register and submitted the following checks for approval, signature and payment: General Fund Check #s 16102-16123 in the amount of \$43,672.64.

Payroll checks #s 7462-7467 in the amount of \$ 4,063.48. No payroll checks void.

Payroll checks #s 7468-7474 in the amount of \$ 4,018.98. No payroll checks void.

Highway Aid Check #737 in the amount of \$164,070.89. No Highway Aid checks void.

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

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION: Caron Pawlicki of Evergreen Drive notified the Board that the Stop sign on Evergreen Drive is down. Chairman Quigley said the Road Department would be notified to handle this concern immediately.

Former Supervisor Charles Kunkle asked what was purchased with check number 016118 issued to Smith Farm Equipment. The Secretary/Treasurer said a new pressure washer. The one the Township owned was broken and beyond repair. Chairman Quigley offered that the road crew uses the pressure washer to clean equipment, especially the trucks and plows with the salt in the winter.

ADJOURNMENT: With no further business before the Board, Chairman Quigley made a motion with a second from Vice-Chairman Sabo to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 PM. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Daisy Lightner, Secretary/Treasurer