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WATSON TOWNSHIP MEETING SEPTEMBER 15, 2022

The Watson Township Board of Supervisors held their monthly meeting on September 15, 2022, at 7:00 pm at the Watson Township Municipal building, with James Seltzer and James Potter present.

Also Present: Wilbur Moore, EMC Paul Stitzer, Herman Serafini, Zoning Officer Brent Petrosky

Chairman Seltzer called the meeting to order, and Supervisor Potter led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Seltzer noted a name correction of a resident attending the August meeting, (Patricia Flickinger) and asked if there were any other questions or comments on the August 18, 2022, monthly meeting minutes, there being none, Supervisor Potter made a motion to approve the minutes as presented; seconded by Supervisor Green, MCU.

Chairman Seltzer asked if there were any questions on the Treasurer's Report, there being none, Chairman Seltzer made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report as submitted; seconded by Supervisor Potter, MCU.

The Supervisors discussed Certificate of Deposit rates and the possibility of placing some of the money in the general fund account into a Certificate. It was the consensus of the Board to obtain additional interest rate information to present at the October meeting.

Correspondence: None.

Roadmaster's Report:

1. The Tombs Run Road Tar & Chip Project was completed except for the application of the fog seal.

Supervisor Potter said he received a call about a pile of stones left on one side of the road and after following through with the complaint, he spread out the stones because it was a safety issue.

2. Pipe replacement on Dennison Hollow – Chairman Seltzer agreed to reach out to local contractor, Matt Maguire, to replace the pipe.
3. Mowing

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Zoning Report:

Zoning Officer Brent Petrosky provided updates on permits:

1. Route 44 North – Love property, PennDOT issued a highway occupancy permit and the permit for the porch has been issued
2. Kissell property at 1009 Torbert Lane – flat porch – reviewed plans for a flat porch with stairs with Township Engineer Dennis Norman, permit has been issued.

Brent noted that contractors are now required to provide verification that they are complying with the Township's ordinance and Flood ordinance. The verification must be on the contractor's letterhead, signed and dated.

3. 541 Torbert Lane – John and Patricia Driver – porch and stairs, permit has been issued.

Pending Permits:

1. 1151 Torbert Lane – Randy and Jane Cohick – rebuild cottage \$950,000. The Township Engineer is reviewing the drawings. Outstanding items include architectural drawings, elevation certificate, Code Inspections to perform inspections, provide permit application to Star Built. The Sewage Permit was approved.
2. 789 Torbert Lane – more information will be provided at the October meeting.
3. Farmhouse improvements at the former Brad Baker property

Special Event Permits:

1. Special Event Permit was issued to Donnie Breon for a bicycle event held September 11, 2022.
2. Special Event Permit was issued to Robert Noll for a wedding on September 17, 2022, at The Barn.

Other:

1. Short Term Rental Ordinance will be given to property owners to review and Initial to acknowledge the requirements of the ordinance.
2. Mailed letter and violation notice by certified mail to Herman Serafini at 226 Westside Drive, Jersey Shore.

A discussion was held with Herman Serafini who was present at the meeting about his property.

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Emergency Management Coordinator Report:

Emergency Management Coordinator Paul Stitzer reported that he attended a quarterly training session June 23, 2022, and the next training sessions will be held on September 22nd and December 8th.

EMC Paul Stitzer submitted his letter of resignation from his position as the Watson Township Emergency Management Coordinator.

Supervisor Potter made a motion to accept with reluctance, the resignation of Paul Stitzer as the Emergency Management Coordinator; seconded by Chairman Seltzer, MCU.

Recreation Committee Report:

Chairman Seltzer had nothing new to report on behalf of the Recreation Committee.

Old Business:

New Roof for Trading Post Building

Chairman Seltzer reported that he is still in the process of obtaining quotes for a new roof at the Trading Post Building.

Well at Township Municipal Building

The Supervisors tabled discussion of the well at the Township Municipal Building.

Chairman Seltzer reported that the well pump at the ball field is not working, which may be due to a problem with the pressure tank and agreed to contact Mike Bottorf to look at it.

Chairman Seltzer also reported that he is looking into getting a mailbox for the township.

New Business:

Due to a scheduling conflict for Secretary Macklem, the Supervisors agreed to reschedule the October meeting.

Supervisor Potter made a motion to reschedule the October meeting to October 19, 2022, at 7:00 pm; seconded by Chairman Zinck, MCU.

The Supervisors discussed the possibility of selling the 2007 GMC 5500 Truck and the snowplow and spreader.

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Invoices:

Supervisor Potter made a motion to approve the invoices as presented; seconded by Chairman Seltzer, MCU.

Public Comment - public comment was entertained through-out the meeting.

Adjournment:

Supervisor Potter made a motion to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Chairman Seltzer, the motion was unanimously approved, and the meeting was adjourned at 8:53 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Darlene S. Macklem
Secretary