

WATSON TOWNSHIP MEETING
APRIL 18, 2024

The Watson Township Board of Supervisors held their monthly meeting on April 18, 2024, at 7:00 pm at the Watson Township Municipal building, with James Potter, and Richard Macklem present.

Also present: Wilbur Moore, Zoning Officer Brent Petrosky, Dennis Buttorff, EMC, Richard Lange, Nick Klaras, Paul Fye, and Allen Green

Vice Chair James Potter called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Supervisor Potter asked if there were any questions or comments on the March 21, 2024, monthly meeting minutes, there being none, Supervisor Macklem made a motion to approve the minutes as presented; seconded by Supervisor Potter, MCU.

The Board reviewed the Treasurers Report and Supervisor Macklem made a motion to approve the report as submitted; seconded by Supervisor Potter, MCU.

Correspondence:

1. Notice from Lycoming County Commissioners regarding the 2024 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program
2. Notice from Lycoming County Commissioners regarding new process for disbursing County Liquid Fuels to municipalities

Roadmaster's Report

Roadmaster Rick Macklem provided the Roadmaster's Report as follows:

- Met with PennDOT Inspectors & Spencer Boone of HRI, Inc. and due to security concerns PennDOT will not be using the township office building as previously agreed. In lieu of using the township building a work trailer will be placed at the Trading Post building and the Township will receive \$1,000.00 per month for storage of materials and an additional \$500.00 per month for the trailer. HRI also agreed to pay for electricity.
- Road Tour completed on April 5, 2025 – Greg Dibble will prepare projects for road repair projects
- Equipment maintenance
- Ordered a new truck cab protector cover
- Attended the PSATS Conference
- Mowing
- Obtained prices to rent a skid-steer and mini-excavator to clean ditches
- Ordered new tires for the backhoe
- Met with Abel – damage/repairs to ball field
- Performed traffic count on West Side Road for the Low Volume Dirt & Gravel Road Grant for the soil nailing project

- Remove fallen trees after storms
- Installed red reflective panels on all stop signs throughout the township

Supervisor Potter made a motion to approve the minutes for the April 5, 2024, Spring Road Tour; seconded by Supervisor Macklem, MCU.

Zoning Officer’s Report

Zoning Officer Brent Petrosky provided the monthly Zoning Report that included the following:

- Permit issued to Michael Schall at 13079 W. Rte. 973 for a swimming pool
- Permit issued to Michael Schall at 13079 W. Rte. 973 for a pole barn which will comply with the zoning ordinance height requirements
- Permit issued to Michael D’Ottavio for an access drive at 89 Private Drive
- Permit application – Brandon Yost for an addition at 253 Edgewood Drive
- Permit application – John & Patricia Driver for a shed at 541 Torbert Lane

Brent Petrosky also provided a report to the Supervisors on the Rails to Trails Meeting held earlier in the week.

Brent also reported that the ribbon cutting for the official reopening of the Whitetail Rail/Trail Access is tentatively scheduled for June.

EMC Report

EMC Dennis Buttorff reported there were no flood issues within the township after recent storm events.

Old Business

There was no old business presented for discussion.

New Business

Bid Opening - 2024 Paving Project

The Board of Supervisors received the following bids for the 2024 Paving Project on West Side Road:

HRI, Inc.	\$44,148.50
Gutelieus Exc.	\$62,480.00
Charles Construction	\$47,267.50
Glenn O. Hawbaker	\$51,373.00
Big Rock Paving	\$51,535.30

Supervisor Macklem made a motion to accept the low bid from HRI, Inc. in the amount of \$44,148.50; seconded by Supervisor Potter, MCU.

Invoices

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

Public Comment

Public comment was entertained generally throughout the meeting.

Adjournment

Supervisor Potter made a motion to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Supervisor Macklem, MCU.

The meeting adjourned at 7:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Darlene S. Macklem

Darlene S. Macklem, Secretary