

BUSINESS:

Resolution #4 of 2019 – appointing Valarie Capozzelli to the ZHB. Mike made the motion. Jerry seconds the motion. Roll Call was Yes by all.

Ordinance #1 of 2019 – amending the sewer system rules and regulation to allow the installation of back water valves on delinquent properties without public water. Georgiann made the motion. Mike seconds the motion. Roll Call was Yes by all.

Engineers Report – Mary stated that she is trying to piece everything for the 940 extension together. She said she has contacted PennDot about the HOP but non exists. She also has a meeting with Scott from DEP tomorrow on a different matter but will try to talk to him about Foster. At this time Jerry asked what can be done about all the money that was paid to PennEastern, approximately \$30K? Jerry made a motion to have Attny Karpowich send a letter asking for reimbursement and then if they do not respond sue them for the money. Mike seconds the motion. Roll Call was Yes by all. Angie from Peters Consultants introduced herself. The board asked her to work on applying for a multimodal grant to pave roads. She also supplied the board with dates to meet with Dennis Peters.

Sewer Report – Mike stated that FMA is looking to put a hydrant on Crescent Rd and they are asking Foster to waive the bond requirements. The board agreed to waive the requirements. Mike also stated that the manholes near Citterios are extremely bad. Mary stated that the last time she saw them they needed to be replaced and she can only imagine what they are like now. She said that they need to be lined with a special material to prevent this type of damage. Citterios may be responsible.

Solicitors Report – Attny Karpowich stated that he prepared 5 notice of violations for Pat King. The oral argument for the vacation rentals was postponed until the end of the month. There was an issue of fireworks that was brought up. Attny Karpowich stated that the zoning officers need to investigate the properties the very next day to collect evidence, and then the twp can make the property owners responsible. He also suggested that the rental inspection ordinance be used, and if the two zoning officers could come to the continued meeting it can be discussed. Attny Karpowich asked what the board wanted their newly formed Authority to be named so he can prepare the incorporation documents for the next meeting. He also asked if the board wanted to ask FMA if they would like a seat on the board.

Zoning Report – Pat King stated that he has 4 hearings in August. He just issued 5 notices for violations that Attny Karpowich helped him with. He also said that Attny Karpowich suggested that he obtain an ORI number so he can run plates for junk cars. Georgiann gave Keith's report: He has 8 pending violations, 6 more were sent out and 6 are in the process of being corrected.

Other – Mike would like no parking on St. Ann's road by the MMI fields, after a 9-year-old girl was hit, he feels it is necessary. Also because of the constricted roadway width with the fire trucks. No parking on either side of St. Ann's Rd. from Luzerne St. to the twp line. Attny Karpowich will advertise for the next meeting. Mike also stated that the twp is in need of a new truck to replace one of the smaller ones. He suggested going through costars to get 3 quotes/bids. Mike made the motion. Jerry seconds the motion. Roll Call was Yes by all.

CORRESPONDENCES:

none

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Shari Petrovich would like to know how the twp plans on enforcing the new back water valve amendment, more so how will we make people leave the house. Attny Karpowich stated that the zoning officer with either the state police or the constable can do so.

John Petrick has questions about Mike imposing a Sewer Authority. He would like to know where the money is coming from since the twp is still trying to pay off \$9 million in sewer loans. How will the sewer customers be affected in regards to paying a 5-member board? Where will the offices be? All Authorities have their own equipment, employees, engineers and solicitors. This is the most dangerous suggestions. He stated that with two authorities sharing sewer lines it may cause problems. He suggests that the twp bring back the Sewer Advisory Board with 3 members. The chairman be appointed to the FMA board. Mike asked what happened to the sewer board? Mike stated that the meetings never happened because no one ever showed up. John wants to know where the money is coming from for startup? Mike said you have to start somewhere and the rates will go up. Mike stated that he is sitting on the FMA board and they are getting more grants than the twp alone. *at this time there was a lot of back and forth that cannot be transcribed efficiently * John asked for the board to put more thought into it first and possibly consider putting it on the ballot at election time.

Greg Capozzelli asked if a new recycling person was hired. At this time Mr. Shawn Dawson was in attendance and was introduced.

Bill Wilkus stated that he heard that Authorities do not have to be audited. He would like to know who this new Authority will answer to? Mike said they will answer the to supervisors. He is afraid that this authority will take matters into their own hands and create whatever they want. Jerry believes that an authority would not have a political influence on situations it would be more financial. Shari asked what the absolute difference is between an authority and an advisory board. Jerry stated that the advisory board would only be to advise the supervisors about situations. The authority would make decisions. Shari asked if the supervisors would have control over them. Jerry stated no. Jerry said it can be dissolved.

Ms. Lachewitz stated that when she lived in New Jersey there were two municipal authorities and they have two separate sewer bills.

Mr. Gaffney wanted to know if something can be done about 142 Adams St, 150 Adams St and 148 Washington St. He would also know when something is going to be done with the alley. Chris Spock stated that he will meet with him to see what needs to be done.

Mr. Shelanick asked the board what they are doing about the speeding on Caplos Rd? He thought the board was going to perform a safety check? He stated that if there is nothing done and something happens down there then he is going to hold the twp liable because it is the twp's road. Georgiann stated that she did find out that speed bumps are not allowed if we still want to receive liquid fuels funds for the road. Although, she was told that "speed humps" are okay. Jerry made the motion for the engineer to do a study to see what can be done. Georgiann second the motion. Roll Call was Yes by all.

Mr. Detweiler asked when the road crew will be fixing the pot holes down his way because he never sees the crew down there doing anything. Mike stated that Mr. Detweiler's friend Mike says that the road crew is always down there. He said he has been complaining about it for more than 6 mos. He would also like to know why the first response time from the fire company is about 9 mins.

Ed Rossi would like to let the board know that the brush needs to be cut back on Carbon St. and also the lines need to be painted.

John Petrick asked if Mike can ask MMI to paint a pedestrian crosswalk could be painted on St. Ann's Rd at the MMI fields? Mike said yes, he can ask them.

Jerry asked if Larry Stepansky had anything to talk about because he has come to every meeting. Jerry stated that he did receive a letter from the Fearnots in response to FFD's letter. Larry asked if everything is just going to stay the way it is. Jerry asked if there was a safety concern with response times. Larry stated that they received the letter and they will just continue to respond as dispatched. Jerry would really like both fire departments to work together. Larry said it is not a race, someone is having the worst day of their life, whoever can get there to help these people that is all that matters. Jerry would like everyone to continue to work together.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to Adjourn

Motion to Continue on July 29th @ 6:00pm for general purposes

Motion By: Ms. Eckrote-Jones

Mr. Spock

Mr. Brogan

Second By: Ms. Eckrote-Jones

Mr. Spock

Mr. Brogan

Roll Call:

Ms. Eckrote-Jones

Yes

No

Abstain

Mr. Spock

Yes

No

Abstain

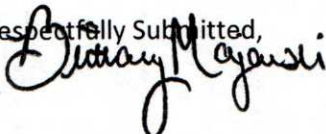
Mr. Brogan

Yes

No

Abstain

Respectfully Submitted,



Brittany Majewski
Municipal Secretary