

**LOWHILL TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
JUNE 4, 2015
MEETING MINUTES**

The Lowhill Township Board of Supervisors meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm by Vice Chairman George Wessner, Jr. Also present were Robb Werley, Member; Charles Waters, Esq., Solicitor; Ryan Christman, Engineer; Brian Carl, Township Administrator and Secretary Jill Seymour. Chairman Richard Hughes was absent.

After the Pledge of Allegiance, Robb Werley made a motion to approve the May 7, 2015 minutes, as written. George Wessner, Jr. seconded the motion. Robb Werley made a motion to approve the monthly bills, as submitted. George Wessner, Jr. seconded the motion.

George Wessner, Jr. opened the floor for public comment, hearing none he moved on with the agenda.

Charles Waters, Esq. said that we are exchanging information with the LCA and he will have more information by next meeting.

Ryan Christman noted that the Lehigh County Conservation closed out our NPDES permit for SR 100 and Claussville/Kernsville Road.

Brian Carl had the traffic study for North Lane completed, it was run according to code and the average speed was 32.43 mph. He proposes that we post the speed at 30 mph. An Ordinance will need to be advertised, Charles Waters, Esq. will handle the Ordinance. George Wessner, Jr. made a motion to advertise the Ordinance to change the speed limit on North Lane to 30 mph. Robb Werley seconded the motion. Brian then presented the Supervisors with a plaque from Weisenberg Fire Company, thanking them for their continued support in the fire company.

Joseph Kalusky: May the road crew swept the streets, graded, hauled in 500 ton of chip stone. Joe attended and passed the dirt and gravel class. June they will blacktop, oil and chip and continue with routine maintenance. The Ford F550

dump truck has a blown engine. Will cost more to fix it than it is worth. Looking to buy a new dump truck to replace the F550. Joe received 2 quotes from CoStar participants for a Dodge. The lowest price was given by New Holland Auto Group for a 2015 Dodge Ram 550 HD Chassis at \$46,740, which is priced \$1000 less than the 2014 Dodge Ram 550 HD chassis from the other dealer. George Wessner, Jr. made a motion to purchase the 2015 Dodge Ram 550 HD Chassis from New Holland Auto Group. Robb Werley seconded the motion. Joe also received 3 quotes for a dump body to go with the chassis. EM Kutz will take 4 months, Levan will take 4 weeks and Dejana will take 6-8 weeks. The lowest bid came from Levan. This will include a steel body; fold down sides a plow and stainless steel spreader. Robb Werley made a motion to accept the quote from Levan and purchase the dump body. George Wessner, Jr. seconded the motion.

We need a new truck body for the 1979 Orange Mack dump truck. The lowest quote came from Tamaqua Truck & Trailer. George Wessner, Jr. made a motion to purchase and install the truck body from Tamaqua Truck and Trailer. Robb Werley seconded the motion.

We will advertise the Ford F550 and the old lawn mower for sealed bids to be opened at the July meeting.

George Wessner, Jr. and Robb Werley said that we will table the discussion on the building expansion and the comp/vacation time until the July meeting, since Richard Hughes is absent from this meeting. The 7218 Herber Road driveway was also tabled until the July meeting, pending more information.

George Wessner, Jr. made a motion to approve the Meitzler temporary mobile home permit renewal for a 36 month extension at 2783 Route 100 Orefield. Robb Werley seconded the motion.

3855 Jordan Road would like a variance on the site distance to install a driveway. There is no driveway at this time; they park on the grass in front of the house. The owners would like to put up a 2 car garage with a driveway. The site distance does not meet our ordinance requirements. Joe Kalusky went to look at the property. Site is 112' now, if they remove a few trees, the site distance would be much better, or if they cut down the lower brush. George

Wessner, Jr. made a motion to approve the variance for site distance in our driveway ordinance, under the conditions that the bushes get taken down; the current parking area converts back to a lawn and with the removal of 3 small trees. Joe Kalusky will verify site distance is good. Robb Werley seconded the motion.

Senator Pat Browne's office sent us a Pennsylvania State Flag; we would like to thank him for doing so. We received a thank you card from Kevin and Lisa Huber for sending flowers for their son. The Good Will Fire Co. will be having a celebration for their 100 year anniversary on July 11. They will have a parade at the high school from 11:30 am to 1:30 pm and will commence at 2 pm. A formal ceremony and cornerstone opening will begin at 4 pm, with festivities thereafter. All are welcome to attend.

George Wessner, Jr. opened the floor for public comment, hearing none, moved to adjourn, seconded by Robb Werley.

The Lowhill Township Board of Supervisor's meeting was adjourned at 8:05 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,