

**LOWHILL TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MEETING MINUTES
OCTOBER 1, 2020
HELD VIA ZOOM MEETING APP IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNOR
WOLF'S STAY AT HOME ORDER AT THE WEISENBERG TOWNSHIP
BUILDING**

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

After the Pledge of Allegiance, Robb Werley made a motion to approve the September 3, 2020 Board of Supervisors meeting minutes and the September 18, 2020 Special Meeting minutes, as written. Richard Hughes seconded the motion, motion carried. Richard Hughes made a motion to approve the monthly bills, as submitted. Robb Werley seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Ryan Christman gave an update on Bear Road Bridge. He has been in touch with PEMA, hopes to have funding available. There was a meeting with Trout Unlimited, the structure is undersized and will need a new design. The estimate at this time to replace the bridge is \$483,000. This number may go up or down depending on the design. This will push this project back just a bit until we get everything in order. The bid will go out in late winter or early spring, then we will award the bid in spring and construction will take approximately 120 days. Resident Alex Massetti was present and asked what are the next steps to be taken. We will talk to the Conservation District, Dirt and Gravel and Trout's Unlimited to see the length and span of the structure, get the designs, bid, award and start. We will also have to get permits. Richard Hughes wanted to make it known that the Township has to funds to pay for this project, however, if we can get funding; that would be great.

Kistler Road & Bear Road Intersection: Kay Krapf and Richard Hughes both contacted the State. The State will not do anything about the site distance issue. Joe Kalusky cut the bank back and trimmed the weeds. There is good site distance to the left, the right is not that good. We would need permission of the landowner to cut back further. They have been contacted and are working with us to get this done. We would like to cut back 5' and 20' to 25' towards the Greenawald's.

Brian Carl did a speed study on Hollenbach Road and it came back as 25 mph. We will advertise the ordinance for the next meeting.

Road Master Joseph Kalusky: September: Lowhill Church Road was completed, Old Village and grass mowing. October: Spooners Road, prep for the winter. Robb Werley and Richard Hughes agreed with Joe that Lowhill Church Road should be oil and chipped. That will be done in October.

The Sanctuary @ Haafsville would like to bill without a cap of \$550 per year. Richard Hughes made a motion to keep the yearly cap at \$550. Robb Werley seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The next budget workshop will be held on Tuesday October 27, 2020 @ 9 am at the Weisenberg Township building.

The Veteran's Memorial is looking for investment money from the Township's. Lynn Township already donated \$15,000. Lowhill will donate in kind work as opposed to monetary. Richard Hughes made a motion to donate in kind work to the Veteran's Memorial up to \$15,000 for construction. Robb Werley seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Robb Werley made a motion to award Eastern Salt the multi municipal salt bid at \$57.57 per ton. Richard Hughes seconded the motion. Motion carried.

There was a break for an executive session to discuss possible legal issues at 7:51 pm. Called back to order at 7:58 pm.

Richard Hughes opened the floor for public comment, hearing none, he moved on with the agenda.

Jill Seymour mentioned that the Township will be open to the public for voting on November 3, 2020 from 7:00 am to 8:00 pm. Trick or treat is scheduled for Saturday October 31, 2020 from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm, rain or shine.

Robb Werley made a motion to adjourn. Richard Hughes seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The Lowhill Township Board of Supervisors meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,