

ATHENS TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS
March 28, 2018 7 PM

Chairwoman Christine Vough called the meeting to order at 7 PM. Supervisors also present were Susan Seck, George Ballenstedt, Kirstie Lake and Tressa Heffron. Solicitor John Thompson and Secretary Robin Smith were also in attendance. Christine led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Voice of the Residents: None

Auditors Bill Morris, Jane Watson and Shelly Reagan were in attendance to present the results of the 2017 audit. Chairman Bill Morris thanked Ruth for doing a “fantastic job” again for 2017. He said everything looks good. The Board also thanked Ruth for a job well done.

No one was present from the Athens Township Volunteer Fire Company.

Richard Bean reported for the Parks and Recreation Commission. John Spencer will be installing new signs on Round Top and replacing guard rails at the pavilion 7&8 parking lot as his Eagle Scout project. Richard said we received an ATV trail grant from DCNR in the amount of \$185,100 – this is a 100% grant, not an 80/20 grant. The park will open May 12th. Signage for the Jim Haggerty Trail will be purchased with money donated in his name. The star has been taken down by the fire company (thank you!) and now needs to be moved down to the township building. Barry will start work on April 9th. Park inspection will begin April 7th at 9:30 AM at Tozer’s Landing. Meade will talk to Jeff Paul concerning the playground. The highway department will tar and chip both parking lots. Inmates are scheduled to start April 16th for 2 weeks. The goal to open the new area is June 30th.

Marion Carling presented the Athens Dollar General Store land development located along the east side of US Route 220 north of the intersection of Macafee Road and south of the Fine Line Homes parcel, for review. They hope to break ground in June or July and open in September. On motion of George, second by Tressa, it was unanimous to grant preliminary and final plan approval to this land development subject to the resolution of the following deficiencies:

Page Two
Athens Township Supervisors
March 28, 2018

- 1) Receipt of NPDES permit
- 2) Receipt of Highway Occupancy permit
- 3) Receipt of fully-executed Stormwater Management agreement
- 4) Receipt of fully-executed Developer's agreement

Christine reviewed the Treasurer's report. Robin asked Ruth if the payroll issue had been resolved and she said it had. She also asked Ruth if she needed a motion, and she said no. On motion of Kirstie, second by George, it was unanimous to approve the payment of the monthly bills as presented. A complete listing of revenues and expenditures is on file in the office of the Treasurer.

On motion of Christine, second by Kirstie, it was unanimous to appoint Cheryl Stropko to the Athens Township Authority board to complete Pat Musto's term that will expire on December 31, 2018.

On motion of Kirstie, second by Susan, it was unanimous to adopt RESOLUTION 2018-05, authorizing Christine, Robin and Ruth as signatories on the M & T Bank mining bond CD.

The Board had visited the Roberta Blanchard property on Meadowlark Drive to view the Junction Canal weigh lock just prior to the meeting. Tressa said Roberta would like to donate the property to the township after all her family members have passed on, but Tressa and Richard Bean would like it to be done sooner so Roberta could have input as to how the historical site will be developed. She has so much history 'in her head' that it would be a shame to lose all that.

Ed had given Robin a quote for work needed on the Expedition, which was presented to the Board for approval. On motion of Susan, second by Christine, it was unanimous to accept the quote from Williams Ford and to have Ed arrange for the work to be done.

Page Three
Athens Township Supervisors
March 28, 2018

Susan sent a response letter to ATA with regards to coordinating roadwork. She would also like the entire Public Works Department to go to the Watson Diesel event on April 11th. On motion of George, second by Tressa, it was unanimous to approve their attendance (and Susan's, if she is able to go).

Robin asked if Susan had her bids ready to go and they're not quite ready yet. She has met with the petroleum companies and with Greg Dibble from PennDOT. She would like to have a special meeting in the next 2 weeks to finalize everything. It was decided to have Robin advertise a special meeting for April 9, 2018 at 7 PM for general purposes.

There is a slight problem with a motion made in the March 14, 2018 minutes. The motion was to ".....reimburse Tyler Young for Cadet uniforms necessary for the Academy, upon submission of a paid receipt". The problem is that Roger had called the company and had them ship the uniforms directly to Tyler and send the township the invoice. On motion of Susan, second by Tressa, it was unanimous to re-word the motion to read as follows: "On motion of Kirstie, second by George, it was unanimous to pay for Tyler Young's Cadet uniforms necessary for the Academy". Robin will correct Page Two, ¶ two, to read as stated above.

On motion of Kirstie, second by Susan, it passed to approve the minutes of February 28, 2018 as written. Tressa abstained as she was unable to attend that meeting.

On motion of Kirstie, second by George, it passed to approve the minutes of March 14, 2018 with the correction listed above re: Tyler's uniforms. Susan abstained as she was unable to attend that meeting.

On motion of George, second by Kirstie, it was unanimous to accept the monthly reports as presented.

Tressa had attended the COG meeting on March 26th and gave a report on that.

Page Four
Athens Township Supervisors
March 28, 2018

Correspondence/Information was as listed in the meeting agenda.

Chairman Vough took the Board into executive session at 7:45 PM for personnel. Robin left at 8:25 PM. The regular meeting reconvened at 9:37 PM.

On motion of George, second by Tressa, it was unanimous to authorize John Thompson to present the final proposals to the union after review and approvals by the members of the Board of Supervisors.

There being no further business, on motion of George, second by Christine, it was unanimous to adjourn the meeting at 9:39 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Robin L. Smith
Athens Township Secretary