

ATHENS TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS

March 25, 2015 7 PM

Chairman Cheryl Wood-Walter called the meeting to order at 7:01 PM. Supervisors also present were Ronald Reagan, Christine Vough and Susan Seck. George Ballenstedt had another engagement. Solicitor John Thompson, Secretary Robin Smith and Treasurer Ruth Casterline were also present.

Chairman Wood-Walter called for the opening of the bids for 14,000 gal. diesel fuel and 11,000 gal 87-octane gasoline (both +/-) delivered to the township tanks as needed. The bids were as follows:

	<u>Diesel</u>	<u>Unleaded</u>
WOC Energy	\$2.209/gal.	\$1.779/gal
Mirabito	summer \$2.19125/gal	\$1.9616/gal
	Winter \$2.2352/gal	

On motion of Ron, second by Susan, it was unanimous to award the bid for both fuels to WOC Energy.

Voice of the Residents:

Carol Carey of Clinton Street was present concerning trash lying around in the open in the township. She said everywhere you go you see trash. She had contacted the owner of the field behind the UPS plaza about the trash in that field about one month ago, but there has been no response. Most of the people on Clinton Street keep their property cleaned up, but there are some who do not. Carol has talked with Ed Reid about this. She has cleaned up about 5 bags of trash from the field. Garbage blows all over from Applebee's. Cheryl said we do have an ordinance. She also said there are some organizations that do clean-up projects. The Board will have Ed and Cindy take a good look at it. Bags of refuse are not allowed. Dan Stark said there are more junk vehicles in yards than you can imagine. Drive down the road.

Ruth presented the Treasurer's report. She said Friday, April 3rd is a holiday for us, and requested permission to change the pay date to April 2nd. On motion of Ron, second by Christine, it was unanimous to change the pay date to April 2, 2015.

Ruth said the Bradford County Tax Collection Committee had insurance, but found out there was a tax exclusion. As far as the township's contact person with Berkheimer, not much personal information is exchanged – just names and addresses. Robin met with Steve Sumner on this and he said we would be covered under our insurance with Gannon's.

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Ruth requested permission to attend an Intermediate Accounting class to be held in State College on May 7th. On motion of Christine, second by Susan, it was unanimous to send Ruth to this class, and to cover her reasonable expenses (hotel, meals, mileage).

Richard Bean presented the Parks and Recreation report. The police department is in need of an enclosed trailer to store and haul their ATV. They are going to be putting more patrols on Round Top. The Parks Commission voted to put \$2000 towards the trailer if Larry can find enough funding. Richard is working on a few more grant applications. The park project is moving forward. Trees and brush have been cut by inmates and the large trees will be dropped by the flying club. The survey is complete and they hope to go out to bid in April. Round Top Road is crumbling and is getting bad. Discussion was held as to the possibility of banning smoking in the parks. This will be discussed again at a later time. Park inspection will be held on Saturday, March 28th at 9:30 AM, starting at Tozer's Landing.

There was no one present from Athens Township Authority.

On motion of Ron, second by Susan it passed to accept the minutes of February 25, 2015 with the following corrections: Page Four, second-to-last paragraph should read: "On motion of Cheryl, second by Susan, it was unanimous that Ray should receive double-time on holidays worked, and weekends worked for 2015". Christine abstained as she was not in attendance at that meeting.

On motion of Ron, second by Cheryl, it was unanimous to adopt RESOLUTION 2015-03, adopting the Bradford County Hazard Mitigation Plan as our Athens Township Hazard Mitigation Plan.

On motion of Cheryl, second by Christine, it was unanimous to adopt ORDINANCE 2015-01, amending the Parks and Recreation ordinance concerning firearms.

On motion of Ron, second by Cheryl, it was unanimous to adopt ORDINANCE 2015-02, updating the Athens Township Drug and Alcohol policy. All employees will receive a copy and need to return the two signature sheets to Robin for the file.

On motion of Cheryl, second by Susan, it was unanimous to grant the extension request for the Thomas Avenue bridge engineering contract.

Road inspection was set for Saturday, April 25th at 9 AM. Robin will advise George.

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On motion of Ron, second by Cheryl, it was unanimous to close our recycling center on the following holidays – if the holiday falls on a recycling day: New Year's Day, Easter, July 4th, Veteran's Day, Thanksgiving, Christmas Eve, Christmas Day and New Year's Eve.

Dan Stark told the Board that people are driving over the lawn between Applebee's and Verizon to get to Applebee's.

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

On motion of Cheryl, second by Christine, it was unanimous to pay the monthly bills and to ratify the payment of those already paid. A complete listing of revenues and expenditures is on file in the office of the Treasurer.

On motion of Cheryl, second by Ron, it was unanimous to send Robin to the Collaborative Funding of Fire and EMS class to be held in Williamsport on April 2nd. Cheryl was registered for this class but is not able to attend.

Correspondence/Information was as listed in the meeting agenda.

Chairman Wood-Walter took the Board into executive session for personnel at 7:56 PM. The Secretary was excused and the remaining minutes were taken by Ronald Reagan. The regular meeting reconvened at 8:44 PM.

On motion of Susan, second by Cheryl, it was unanimous to bid out the rental of a roller for the highway department.

There being no further business, on motion of Ron, second by Christine, it was unanimous to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Robin L. Smith
Secretary

