

ATHENS TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS
November 17, 2021 5 PM Regular Meeting

Chairwoman Tressa Heffron called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm. Supervisors present were Kirstie Lake, Susan Seck and Christine Vough. Solicitor John Thompson was also in attendance. Secretary Michelle Rude and Supervisor Alan Burgess were not present. Tressa led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Voice of the Residents:

John Cheresnowsky of 448 Brookside addressed the board concerning the condition of roads and the difficulty he has navigating the entrance to the Hickory Heights development. He wanted to know the process for rating the roads for repair He also questioned the process for making the proposed budget available to the residents of the township. He feels it should be published online via the township's website. Tressa explained to him the budget process and agreed to look into it and see if she could find a way for us to post it online.

Ruth Cheresnowsky, also of 448 Brookside, asked the board to define MPC. She also wanted to know when the deadline is for the budget was.

Joseph Joyce of 78 Hickory spoke to the board about the road conditions and his vehicle bottoming out.

Pat Beers of Hickory Heights addressed the board regarding the road breaking away in front of her house and her concern as to how we would be able to plow the snow in this state.

The board addressed their concerns and Susan agreed to have the guys go out and make repairs to the potholes/broken roads.

Richard Bean was present for the Parks and Recreation Commission. Cohen Law Group is still in negotiation with Spectrum. The loan for the park expansion stands at \$70,880.00. The school district still has not been able to walk the Dunkley Hill property. They have not received any additional funds for the overlook. They will be looking to see if they can get quotes for the overlook project and are aiming to have it completed by next September. There has been no additional information from Tioga County EMS regarding putting a tower on Round Top.

On motion of Kirstie, second by Susan, motion passed to approve the budget workshop minutes for November 8, 2021. Christine abstained.

Supervisor Susan Seck requested to re-bid the Tutelow Creek culvert project. On motion of Kirstie, second by Tressa, motion passed to approve the re-bidding of Tutelow Creek culvert project.

The supervisors decided to have Michelle draft a letter of support for House Bill 628 and House Bill 988 that they and the solicitor will review. Tressa will email the letter once it has been approved.

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On motion of Tressa, second by Christine, motion passed to adopt and execute a resolution agreeing to 20% local share of inspection costs for the 2022-2026 NBIS Inspections Programs (Umbrella Contract).

On motion of Tressa, second by Kirstie, motion passed to add the Spaulding Memorial Library financial statement to the agenda.

On motion of Kirstie, second by Susan, motion passed to pay the monthly bills, including the Spaulding Memorial Library payment.

On motion of Kirstie, second by Christine, motion passed to accept the monthly reports as submitted.

Tressa took the Board into executive session at 6:25 PM for personnel and pending litigation. The regular meeting reconvened at 8:10 PM.

On motion of Tressa, second by Kirstie, motion passed to add the mulching of the pit to the agenda.

On motion of Kirstie, second by Tressa, motion passed to hire Nick Ball to mulch the pit. Susan abstained.

Tressa took the Board into executive session again at 8:15 PM for personnel and pending litigation. The regular meeting reconvened at 8:16 PM.

On motion of Tressa, second by Christine, motion passed to add the reallocation John Fedorcheck's time to be added to the agenda.

On motion Tressa, second by Christine, motion passed to allow Ruth to use holiday time for John Fedorcheck's excess vacation time taken in 2020 and credit carryover time for what was taken.

There being no further business, on motion of Tressa, second by Kirstie, it was unanimous to adjourn the meeting at 8:24 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Kirstie Lake
Athens Township Supervisor