

ATHENS TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS
July 19, 2024 10:00 AM Special Meeting

Vice Chairwoman Bonnie Petruschak called the meeting to order at 10:08AM. Also present were Supervisors Ron Reagan and Cori Lasco; Tressa Heffron and Matt Moore were unable to attend due to scheduling conflicts. Solicitor John Thompson and Secretary Meagan Carling were also in attendance; Garret Stocks was also present to represent the Public Works Department / Road Crew. Bonnie led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Purchase / Change Order for gutters for pavilion #5, LeBlanc – resolved prior to meeting; no action taken.

Public Works Personnel to be discussed in Executive Session.

Vice Chairwoman Bonnie took the board into executive session at 10:09AM for personnel. The special meeting reconvened at 11:02AM.

Voice of Residents:

Nancy Whitt of 355 Moore Road: Ms. Whitt wanted to make the Township aware of the potholes becoming unavoidable on Moore Road, and also on parts of Sayre Hill Road, so much so it is almost shifting the traffic travel to strictly one side (steep bank side). Whitt continued that the grass is extremely overgrown, encroaching into the road as well. Garret informed her that the mower was just repaired / returned to the yard this past week and has been out mowing since; they are a little behind from it being inoperable but plan on catching up with mowing next week. Garret added they are aware of the grass overgrowth and potholes on Moore Rd and hope to get out there early next week to take a look and add it to their schedule. Whitt asked about the bridge project timeline / schedule and expressed concern for the concrete barriers placed on the bridge ends doing additional damage to the structure because of the constant weight. Discussion continued between Supervisors, Garret and Whitt about Larson Design Group being on schedule for the strengthening project and how the barriers were placed off of the bridge, being supported by land so they would not damage it further. Whitt is still trying to get the Postal Service to add Moore Road back into their route as well.

On motion of Ron, seconded by Cori; motion passed to terminate the employment of Road Crew member, Jaydon Gardner, based on repeated violations and insubordination. This termination is effective Friday July 19th, 2024.

After discussion, the Board of Supervisors acknowledges the decision of the arbitrator for the return employment of Michael Chilson to the Road Crew / Public Works Department with an expected start date of Monday July 29th, 2024.

There being no further business, on motion of Cori, seconded by Bonnie; it was unanimous to adjourn the meeting at 11:25 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Meagan Carling
Athens Township Secretary