

August 3, 2022

The regular monthly meeting of the Foster Township Board of Supervisors was held at the Municipal Building.

Members present: Chairman John Barrett, Vice Chairman Gene Maley, Roadmaster John Carr, Secretary Janet Mitchell, Engineer Ed Bosack.

A copy of the minutes was given to the Supervisors there were no corrections or additions the minutes stand approved.

A copy of the bills was given to the supervisor's motion to pay the bills by Maley second by Carr all in favor.

PUBLIC COMMENT None received

#### ENGINEER REPORT

Building and Zoning Permits>>> Code reports for the period ending July 30, 2022 were submitted.

Property Maintenance>>>>reports for the period ending July 30, 2022 were submitted.

Schuylkill County Municipal Authority Act 537 Plan >> >No update on this.

Highridge Lot >>>>No Update on this.

Ryan Development>>>>The updated traffic study and plans have been submitted to PennDOT by the applicant. Contact has also been made to the township SEO, Rob Fugate, who has been working with the applicant on lot sewer testing.

CES Landfill Development>>>> A zoning permit for the proposed Recycled Natural Gas (RNG) facility has been submitted. The Project included the relocation of the existing gas turbines and other equipment and expanding the current Landfill Gas Management system to provide landfill gas to UGI Utilities. The permit is currently under review.

2021 Road Program>>>>>The Contractor completed the punch list items on July 28, 2022. The Township should issue the Certification of Completion. The Township approved the Final Application for payment #5 at last month's meeting and should be executed this month and payments made.

Work will be completed with Mr. John Davis PennDOT to close out the project.

BBZ Subdivision>>> Review of the prepared draft deeds for the BBZ Phase I annexation parcels and provided comment back to Mr. Brennan.

The Phase II Plans have been submitted to the Township for signature. The Township will then forward copies of the plans to the Schuylkill County Planning Commission as well as Brinkash Engineers who will review the plans on behalf of the Township and Foster Township Planning Commission.

The Township authorized E.K. Services to complete required Milling with their equipment for the former Hosmer property to complete the Penndot Driveway permit work. The Contractor has submitted an Invoice for \$400.00.

Motion to Approve the Invoice from E.K. Services for \$400.00 for Milling at Hosmer property by Barrett second Maley- roll Call Maley yes, Carr Yes, Barret yes.

2022 PA One Call safety Day Conference>>. Recommendation for the supervisors and road crew to attend in Wilkes Barre August 11, 2022 at Mohegan Sun Poconos.

#### SOLICITOR'S REPORT

No report Mr. Brennan not in attendance.

#### ROAD MASTER REPORT

Update on Veronica Pump Station new check valves ordered. Maley questions if this was something that could have been covered by previous repair. Carr reports not a part in the previous repair.

Work completed on two check basins.

Trees planted in Lower Beechwood Cul-de-sac.

Carr presents price for Generator and Pump- Krimmer's low bid @ \$1,911.00. Motion to purchase by Barrett second Maley Roll call Barrett yes, Maley yes Carr Yes.

Reports two decorative lights out.

#### POLICE REPORT

1 DUI, 2 ATV Arrest

Discussion on precaution with window air conditioner and break-ins possible.

Dumping on valley road.

Poker Run this Saturday.

Suspicious person seen on Lower Beechwood Ave. Male 60s bushy hair report to police if seen.

Damage to bathroom in playground pictures of suspects that did damage in police office.

Stolen check discussion do not put in mailbox with flag up, take precautions take to post office. Report of check taken out of box and washing ink off and changing info on check.

Reminders again to call non emergent number for police if no answer at office number.

#### OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Barrett reports after research by Mr. Brennan Workers Compensation Insurance is needed to cover any firefighter in the township. Kerwick Insurance got a price through SWIF for the policy at a premium of \$4,907.00. Motion to purchase Workers Compensation Insurance for Firefighters in Foster Township from SWIF by Carr second by Maley all in favor.

A discussion was held on the Wire televue Loan interest will be calculated by township and beginning in September a report should be given from the Redevelopment Authority to the board of Supervisors.

Mr. Barret makes a motion to have the Redevelopment Authority provide to the Board of Supervisors a monthly update on any and all projects within their prevue. This is provided the authority met to

discuss such project, second by Maley. Roll call Barrett yes, Maley yes, Carr yes. Mr Barrett updates the progress on internet waiting on head equipment for the building that was erected.

#### NEW BUSINESS

A discussion was held on garbage truck repairs needed. A proposal was received from "No Sweat Services" for \$21,250.00. Mr. Barrett makes a motion that we approve the proposal by "No Sweat" for an amount not to exceed \$24,00.00 allowing for contingencies. Second Carr. Roll call Barrett yes, Carr yes, Maley, yes. Mr. Burmeister asks if Oakill was contacted for the job. Mr. Barrett contacted 3 three welding shops.

A discussion was held on the appointment to the Municipal Authority. Since the position does not have criteria there were two interested parties. Mr. William Kline and Mr. Richard Zula Jr. Since the suggestion was to get more people involved. Mr. Zula is still involved with the Fire Co., a motion to was made by Barrett to appoint Mr. Kline to the Municipal Authority for a 1-year term second by Carr. Roll call Barrett yes, Carr yes, Maley yes.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT Q & A

Mr. Frank Zukas updates on SEDCO issues. Discussion on Lot 12 issues presented to the Planning Commission. Keystone Blvd snow removal bids will be opened Monday. Discussion on UGI proposal and easements for the line on Keystone Blvd. Mr. Maley question on the solar proposal from Sun Energy for the county owned land, and why the township was not informed of the proposal, due to ongoing lengthy negotiations the public was not informed. The Project will be covered by Saldo of Foster Township and Zoning of Foster Township. Mr. Maey discussed his disappointment that the township was not informed, and questions who would be responsible for the clean-up. Mr. Zukas reminds that all will be covered by Foster SALDO and FOSTER Zoning. Mr. Barrett states when ongoing negotiations are in progress, they are not made public till negotiations are complete.

Joe Zula asks to have Decorative Lighting project considered to finish the project that his father started.

Joe Zula questions the hours needed to have health care, Mr. Barrett replies there is one employee who is salaried on healthcare.

Discussion on Christmas Decoration share ideas with Mr. Maley.

Jeff Lewis questions the timeline on internet. Head equipment should be received in 6 months.

Discussion by Mr. Maley on PLIGIT, states rates offered by PLIGIT as of August 2, 2022, varied from 1.68%-1.98% depending on the investment plan. Currently the township is earning .30% on some funds held by FNCB, the township can invest with PLIGIT while maintain accounts with FNCB ignoring the opportunity to invest with PLIGIT is a dis-service to the community.

Mr. Burmeister asks if Mr. Maley intentions are to take one quarterly landfill check and deposit into PLIGIT.

Motion to adjourn by Carr second by Barrett