

Montgomery Township
1220 Cush Creek Road, Cherry Tree, PA 15724-7728

Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes

Wednesday February 12, 2020

Members Present: William Burba, Edward M. Freno and Kevin Penrose

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Franklin Payne, Charlie Bootman, John Pittman, Gayle Freno, Township Auditors April Boyer, Diane Ford and Joanne Traxler, Tax Collector Patty Goodlin, Sherry Decker, and Chief of Police John Blake- Cherry Tree Borough Police Department

Meeting Called to Order: William Burba called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comment (Limited to Agenda Items): None

Request to be on Agenda: None

Correspondence: Received a letter from the Department of Human Services concerning the homeless; Received thank you cards from Home Nursing Agency, Indiana County Wreaths for Veterans and VNA for the donations. Received a thank you letter from and Keller Engineers for retaining them as the engineering firm. Received a thank you letter from Wayne Kablack for continuing to retain him as Township Solicitor; Received a User's Guide from PA One Call; Received the Bridge Inspection Report on Brown Bridge and Received the Fire Tax Report from Commodore Volunteer Fire Department

Minutes: Kevin motioned to accept the Regular Monthly Meeting minutes, second Ed, Carried.

Treasury Report: Ed motioned to approve the Treasury Report, second Kevin, carried.

Payment of Bills: Ed motioned to pay the bills, second Kevin, carried.

Old Business:

Hazelet Road Culvert Update: Bill spoke with John and found out it had been Cranberry Township that had slid the pipe through the old pipe. Bill will call and get more details.

New Business:

Exonerate Tax Collector: Ed motioned to exonerate Patricia Goodlin from collecting any remaining 2019 taxes, second Kevin, Carried.

Website Announcement with Spring Taxes: Ed motioned to place an announcement in with the Spring Taxes concerning the Website, second Kevin, Carried.

Employee Wages: Kevin motioned to increase the employee's wages accordingly. Marlin Bougher will go from \$12.75 to \$13.00 an hour, Ron Small will go from \$11.75 to \$13.00 an hour, Ron Lowe will go from \$12.75 to \$13.00 an hour, Jim Lowe will go from \$11.00 to \$11.50 an hour, Charlie Schmittle will go from \$11.75 to \$13.00 an hour and Wayne Wright will go from \$10.00 an hour to \$10.25

Storage Building: Bill contacted Indiana County Office of Planning and Development and was informed that the township would have to obtain a building permit and have an engineer print and stamp it. A discussion was held. Information will be gathered concerning Steel Buildings and Carolina Carports.

Tires for Tractor and Backhoe: Ed motioned to buy the tires that are needed for these pieces of equipment, second Bill, carried.

Police Report: Chief Blake gave the report for January.

Announcements:

Food pickup: Tuesday, March 10, 2020.

Next Meeting – Wednesday, March 11, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. at the Township Building, 1220 Cush Creek Road, Cherry Tree, PA 15724.

Recycling – March 07, 2020 in the parking lot of Hillsdale Construction, Route 286 Hwy. E., Hillsdale, PA 15746.

Public Comment: Charlie Bootman asked about getting a 4-way stop sign placed at the intersection of Moyer and Cherry Tree Roads but Cherry Tree Road is a State Road and the township can not install a stop sign. A discussion was held concerning the wreck that had taken place at that intersection. Patty Goodlin asked the supervisors to check out the bottom of Hileman Road because it looks like it is sinking and she wasn't sure if it was the township road, Bill will drive out and take a look.

Adjournment: Ed motioned to adjourn the meeting, second Kevin, carried.

Respectfully Submitted,



Paula Burba
Secretary/Treasurer