

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

Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes

Wednesday March 10, 2021

Members Present: William Burba and Kevin Penrose

Members Absent: Edward M. Freno

Others Present: Charlie Bootman, Franklin Payne, Sherry Decker, Patty Goodlin-Tax Collector, John Pittman, Joe Keener and Dave Angelo - Chief of Police Cherry Tree Borough.

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: Joe Keener spoke about why he isn't allowed to plow a township road that has no winter maintenance. A discussion followed and the Supervisors expressed concerns about the liabilities that could ensue if someone were injured even though it is a no winter maintenance road. Dave Angelo stated that a private individual that plows snow up on a roadway that could cause an accident can be named in a civil lawsuit and that the township could be named also.

Correspondence: Received Thank You from U.S. Census 2020 and from Judge Christopher Welsh for allowing him to speak at last months meeting. Received approval of the 2020 Annual Audit and Financial Report and the approval for the 2019 Liquid Fuels Audit from the Attorney General.

Minutes: Kevin motioned to accept the Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes for February, second Bill.

Treasury Report: Kevin motioned to approve the February Treasury Report, second Bill.

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

Old Business:

Hazelet Road Culvert: Keller Engineers has applied for the General Permit from DEP. They will survey when the snow has melted.

Employee Policy Handbook: The Township Solicitor has the book and is reviewing the changes that had been made by his assistant.

New Business:

Exonerate Tax Collector: Bill made the motion to exonerate Patty Goodlin from collecting the remainder of the 2020 Taxes, second Kevin.

Stone and Dust Oil Bids: Kevin motioned to advertise for 400 Ton 2B Modified, 500 Ton #8 Washed Limestone, 400 Ton AS-4 Anti-Skid, 250 Ton Bottom Ash, 15,000 Gallons CRS-2 and 5,000 Gallon MC-70 All being listed as more or less and the oils being delivered and applied, second Bill.

Masks at Meetings: Bill said he was happy to see everyone had masks on and asked that they continue to do so when attending.

Police Report: The February 2021 report was read by Police Chief Dave Angelo. Officer Gerlach has completed her training and is now patrolling on her own. Call volume has been increasing in all municipalities. This month's log consisted of Assisting another agency for a wanted person, a Domestic Incident and a Suspicious Activity. Total hours 39.5 for a total of \$1,185.00. The Chief asked if the Supervisors wanted the police to increase hours of patrol to make-up for this year's lost hours. The Supervisors will check the contract and let the Chief know.

Announcements:

Food Pick Up: Tuesday, April 13, 2021

Next Meeting – Wednesday, April 14, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. at the Township Building, 1220 Cush Creek Road, Cherry Tree, PA 15724.

2021 Recycling Dates: April 13, May 01, June 05, August 07, October 02, and November 06. There will not be any pickup for July and September because these dates fall on National Holiday Weekends and it is difficult for them to conduct off site collections due to limited stalling.

Public Comment: Joe Keener had questions on recycling, speed limit on an unposted road and 4-wheelers, a discussion followed and the Chief of Police stated how the law has changed and what the police can and cannot do about 4-wheelers. John Pittman had questions about the July collection. Bill suggested putting a sign up in June at the Collection site stating that there will not be a collection of recyclables in July.

Adjournment: Bill motioned to adjourn the meeting, second Kevin.

Respectfully Submitted,
Paula Burba



Secretary/Treasurer