

**SUPERVISORS MEETING MINUTES OF PORTER TOWNSHIP
OCTOBER 11TH 2021 TOWNSHIP BUILDING 7:00PM.**

Attendance: Chairman Kevin Frank, Mike Champion, Phil Courter, Secretary Carol Colucci, Property Manager/Zoning Officer Rich Brungard and 5 members of the public.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Frank at 7:00PM following the Pledge of Allegiance. On a 1st motion by Courter and a 2nd by Champion motion passed to approve the September minutes as presented.

Public comments were from Bill Ake inquired if there was an further update on the fibermat road project that was done in Stovers Development? In the past it was an unresolved problem with Midland Asphalt that was not settled to satisfaction from the residents. Ake stated as a resident and tax payer he is still not satisfied with the excessive loose stones that have been left behind that causes a problem walking.

Ake reported he has been checking on quotes to hire a company to remove the stones. Hanson Aggregates quoted \$105. per hour for a road sweeper estimated 2 hours. Champion stated he will abstain from any decisions due to living in that area. After a short delay researching Chairman Frank suggested to contact Maxwell to sweep the roads in Heltman. On a 1st motion by Courter and a 2nd by Frank motion passed to hire Maxwell.

PTAC treasurer Judy provided a finance report. PTAC will hold meetings the last Thursday of each month. The first breakfast is scheduled for Saturday November 6th. Breakfasts will be held the first Saturday of each month starting November through April except for January. Hours are 7AM-10AM Adults \$10.00 kids 12 & under \$5.00. Rich reported he followed up on the removal of the current propane tank for the kitchen. New lines need to run to the building. PTAC wanted to change companies. Ingrams will install new lines and a new tank for the starting of the PTAC season. The Supervisors agreed to cover the cost of installation and PTAC will pay for the propane to fill it.

Nittany Valley Volunteer Fire Company received a verbal and written violation for the flashing sign does not follow the township ordinance. A container storage trailer was put in the rear of the property which they received a verbal violation for and it could be a problem for the offset property line. A written notice will be sent and then it would go to the Solicitor by the 14th of October. The annual Fire Relief payment of \$8,542.43 has been deposited and will be expensed back out to them.

The Park will have 27 new bricks installed at the monument. Thank you to Cathy Gates and Sara Egglar for taking care of all the plants in the park and pollinator garden all summer. The Recreation Board approved a proposal from Sara Egglar to create a Facebook page for the park and be the administrator and to maintain approving before it is actively posted.

Chairman Frank reported there were problems at the park with aggressive dogs. Zoning Officer Brungard stated the Township has an ordinance that addresses the issue of animals out of control. He read the ordinance out loud.

Library director June reported the library is not open at night any longer. Tuesday morning only 9 to 12:00.

Old business was Chairman Frank announced the Clinton County Voter Registers office is requesting workers for Porter. Two residents replied they have signed up to work the upcoming election.

The East Nittany Valley Joint Municipal Authority sent a letter requesting assistance for funds to purchase grinder pumps. After a discussion the Supervisors suggested they apply with the County for the American Rescue funds that is available for township Authorities. Funds cannot be received from both townships and the County, so the township is directing ENVJMA to the County instead.

New business is a letter of request from the American Lung Association for permission to send out to residents a survey for public awareness about Radon. The Bureau of Radiation Protection of the PA Department of Environmental Health and protection would offer a limited number of free radon test kits. Due to Porter would need to provide private home addresses. The Supervisors all agreed to not participate or approve.

Halloween Trick or Treating hours were discussed and the decision was made to hold Trick or Treating in Porter on Saturday October 30th from 6:00 – 8:00PM. participating homes will let the porch lights on.

An inquiry about the Re-Codification of ordinances from Michael Peter was discussed now that it is budget time. The quotes for option #1 is \$16,130. and option #2 is \$11,405. The Supervisors tabled a decision suggesting to get other quotes before making a decision. There was interest from a resident in giving a proposal quote for compiling ordinances and amendment files to be updated.

The road report was Brungard stated the road patch work is done. The pipe crossings were cut but there is no start date yet. It was discussed and agreed to not asphalt or start until after winter. The carpet for the community building was delivered. A schedule for installation is being worked out between Quiggle and the USDA office staff

Zoning Officer Brungard reported the Planning Board approved a subdivision for Ralph & Charlie Dotterer for the Fox Hollow property. It was approved upon conditions for corrections. The Supervisors reviewed the plan and signed on a 1st motion by Champion and a 2nd by Courter motion passed. There was another subdivision for Dotterers, the Home Farm subdivision that expired and a new one must be submitted.

The Planning Board approved a subdivision for Levi Stoltzfus property. The Supervisors reviewed and approved the subdivision plan. On a 1st motion by Courter and a 2nd by Frank motion passed to approve.

Permits for the month of October was a total of \$1,010.00. One new home, 1 mobile home, 2 driveways and a new addition.

The secretary report was budget 2022 workshops are scheduled for October 19th at 6:00PM and November 15th at 6:00PM. Carol will advertise.

Carol reminded the Supervisors PSATS boot camp is \$169.00 for the new Supervisor. Liquid Fuels yearly allocation is projected to be a 10% reduction less than last year.

Finance report was the Money Market account balance is \$285,889.24 Act 13 account balance is \$22,666.92. The State account balance is \$99,257.95 and there were no transactions on those accounts.

The general checking has a beginning balance of \$678,268.34 beginning check# 3239 ending check #3270 with an ending balance of \$664,664.23. The total revenue for the month of September is \$57,781.03 and the total expenses \$73,046.09 that's a net income - \$15,265.06. On a 1st motion by Champion and a 2nd by Courter motion passed to pay the bills as presented.

On a 1st motion by Courter and a 2nd by Frank motion passed to adjourn 8:10PM. The next meeting is scheduled for October 18th at 6:00PM for a budget planning work session.

Supervisor Chairman
Kevin Frank



Township Secretary / Treasurer
Carol Colucci

