

Clifford Township Supervisors Meeting April 8, 2014

Business meeting held on Tuesday April 8, 2014. Chairman Dennis Knowlton called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Motion to approve the minutes by Mr. Knowlton, second by Mr. Searle. All in favor. Treasurer's report reviewed and will be put on file. List of bills reviewed. Mr. Searle made a motion to pay bills except Clifford Auto and Clifford supply, seconded by Mr. Knowlton. All in favor. Mr. Searle made a motion to pay Clifford Auto and Clifford Supply, Mr. Marcho Abstained, seconded by Mr. Knowlton. All in favor. Mr. Marcho abstained due to potential conflict of interest.

Old Business: Mr. Marcho made a motion to approve an Ordinance for the Parks and Recreation Board which will consist of 7 members who will oversee the planning of the recreation area and will be only an advisory committee to the supervisors. The board will volunteer for a 5 year term and will keep minutes of their meetings. Mr. Knowlton seconded. All in favor.

Mrs. Kilmer came in to answer any question about the Susquehanna Athletic Complex. Mrs. Kilmer is asking for a donation to see if a sports Complex would be feasible for the county. Mr. Marcho made a motion to donate \$500.00 for the study. Mr. Searle seconded. All in favor.

Kurt Booths, Peg Tomazic, Jim Connor and others came to complain about the condition of Elkview Drive and the ownership of Mountain Laurel Drive. Mr. Marcho and Mr. Searle was up to check out the road condition with PennDOT. Mr. Marcho stated that Mt. Laurel Drive will be taken over by the township. Mr. Searle said he will have Barhite fill holes in the road with stone temporarily and get a sulci pipe fixed. The township has to do some testing before any road work can begin. The township is waiting for PennDOT to get back with some scenarios on how best to fix the roads.

Kim Griffiths complained about no one answering e-mail questions about oiling Tinker Brook Road and why it was not suited for oiling. Mr. Marcho stated that none of the dirt roads were oiled last year and at meetings with other townships, everyone was using calcium.

Mr. Marcho explained that the township is changing electric companies from PPL to Ambit Energy to save on our bills. The money the distributor makes from buying and selling electricity in our township will go to the Fire Co.

Mrs. Kilmer thanked the supervisors for their cooperation with the South Gibson-Clifford Baseball Association.

Road Report: We will be auctioning off some equipment with Lopatofsky Auction LLC. The new tractor will be delivered this week. Barhite did repairs on Tinker Brook Road.

Tax Collector: Mr. Phillips reported that he has collected \$42580.00 Real estate taxes and \$3549.00 in fire protection for a total of \$46129, up about \$5000.00 from last year.

Fire Company: Mr. Phillips reported the fire company had 23 fire calls and 26 EMS calls for a total of 49 calls for last month. The fire co. is working on replacing the ambulance which will take about 6 or 7 months.

Park Committee Mr. Knowlton made a motion to appoint Bob Lopatofsky, Jan Price, Buzz Boomer, Tom Roberts and Chase Ross to the committee with 2 position open. Mr. Searle seconded. All in favor. Meetings will be the 4th Wednesday of the month at 7:00 pm. There will be two more members added to the committee at a later date.

Advisory Committee: Sally Roberts explain that there are ten volunteers who get together to do analysts and research to help the supervisors solve some of the problems in the township. Everyone is welcome to attend, meetings are held on the fourth Wednesday of the month. The committee is presently working on a grant for the playground.