

**MINUTES
PARADISE TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
DECEMBER 14, 2020**

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by Chairman Lance Biesecker at 7:00PM

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG:

APPROVE AGENDA WITH ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS... motion to approve as made by Clark Craumer, 2nd by Dean Bentzel, Motion Approved by Unanimous Vote

APPROVE MINUTES FROM NOVEMBER 9, 2020..... motion to approve as made by Clark Craumer, 2nd by Dean Bentzel, Motion Approved by Unanimous Vote

APPROVE TREASURER'S REPORT... Account balances were read by Lance Biesecker.....Motion to approve by Clark Craumer, 2nd by Dean Bentzel, Motion Approved by Unanimous Vote

CITIZEN COMMENTS AND CONCERNS:

Persons who have made prior arrangements to be placed on the agenda will have first priority. Please note due to time limitations 5 minutes will be allotted for each citizen.

- 1) There were no Citizen's comments or concerns

Fire Department Reports:

- 1) **Station 110** – No report submitted
- 2) **NAF&EMS** – NAF & EMS submitted November reports showing 5 NAF incidents and 12 EMS incidents in Paradise Township
- 3) **United 33** – Submitted a written report showing 3 incidents in November for Paradise Township

SUBDIVISION PLANS:

- 1) **Paradise Village** – Conditional approval of Paradise Village Phase 1 based on a provided list of 5 items being obtained and/or

- addressed...Motion to approve as read by Dean Bentzel, 2nd by Lance Biesecker, Approved by 2-0 vote with Clark Craumer abstaining
- 2) Paradise Village waiver request for concrete sidewalk thickness of 4 inches... Motion to approve as read by Dean Bentzel, 2nd by Lance Biesecker, Approved by 2-0 vote with Clark Craumer abstaining
 - 3) **Tall Grass Meadows**...no report

OLD BUSINESS:

1) Bridge Update, Home RD, Protectory RD, N. School House RD

The bridge on North Schoolhouse will require a precast concrete box culvert as Monarch is unable to construct the required concrete beams at the length needed to span the stream.

Clark spoke to Terre Hill and time from order date would be approximately 90 days until delivery and cost would be approximately \$70,000 plus excavation and removal cost of existing bridge...no new update at 12/14/20 meeting

Ronald Weidner from Hamilton Township was present to participate in discussions about jointly shared bridges on Home Road, Protectory Road, and Beaver Creek Road. A motion was made by Clark Craumer to approve \$32,000.00 to be used toward cost for engineering and replacement/reconditioning of Home Road and Protectory Road. The \$32,000.00 is ½ the total cost to be split evenly between Paradise and Hamilton Townships and is to be used equally between the two bridge projects. 2nd by Dean Bentzel, Approved by Unanimous Vote

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1) Approval of 2021 budget after period of public inspection...Motion to approve by Clark Craumer, 2nd by Dean Bentzel, approved by Unanimous Vote
- 2) Adoption of Ordinance 2020-02 repealing Per Capita Tax effective January 1, 2021... Motion to approve by Clark Craumer, 2nd by Dean Bentzel, approved by Unanimous Vote
- 3) Review and Approval of language for Plan of Action for Bridge 334 over Beaver Creek Road shared jointly with Hamilton Township...Ronald Weidner from Hamilton Township voiced some concerns that the end bridge abutments may be in worse shape than

originally reported. It is noted that his concerns will be addressed as the project moves forward. Motion to approve the Plan of Action, to sign the Letter of approval for the language, to forward the letter to Hamilton Township so they can send the plan to PennDot. 2nd by Dean Bentzel, approved by Unanimous Vote

- 4) Resolution 2020-07 establishing the Annual Budget, Realty Transfer, Tax, Amusement Tax, Earned Income Tax, and Real Estate Tax. All taxes would remain the same from the previous year 2020 except Real Estate Tax which will increase .1 mill to cover the elimination of the Per Capita Tax... Motion to approve by Clark Craumer, 2nd by Dean Bentzel, approved by Unanimous Vote

RECREATION PARK DISCUSSION:

- 1) Update on talks with Spring Grove School District about possible land purchase...No new updates
- 2) Approval of Spring Grove Region Parks and Recreation parks 2021 Budget proposal... Motion to approve 2021 budget with Paradise Township contribution of \$25,161.50 was made by Clark Craumer, 2nd by Dean Bentzel, Approved by Unanimous Vote

REPORTS:

- 1) **Emergency Management:** Received new radios and they are in operation, anticipating a snow emergency for 12/16 snow event
- 2) **Zoning Officer:** nothing new to report
- 3) **Engineer:** Doug Stambaugh from GHI gave report
- 4) **Planning Commission:** Kevin Barnes gave report highlighting Commission intend to separate 2015-02 Energy Producing Ordinance into two separate ordinances for Wind and Solar Energies.
- 5) **Police:** Clark Craumer gave report highlighting Township calls are down 5% over last year.
- 6) **Road Master:** Dean Bentzel gave report that signage and barriers on the Abandoned portion of Moul Road look good and residents bordering the that section of road are satisfied with the closure.
- 7) **Solicitor:** Sharon Myers provided written report with no additions

CORRESPONDENCE / ANNOUNCEMENTS/ OTHER BUSINESS:

- 1) Approve Bill List and Sign Checks... Motion was made by Clark Craumer, 2nd by Dean Bentzel, Approved by vote.

2) Adjourn...7:27...Meeting was expedited due to Governor Wolf's recommendation concerning public meetings.

Respectfully submitted,
Elwood Miller