August 19, 2013

The Supervisors of Texas Township held their Bi-monthly meeting on August 19, 2013. Present were Supervisors Don Doney, Allan Wickle, Rick Southerton, Secretary John Haggarty and Zoning Officer Sandi Scull. See attached list for guests present. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 P.M. by Chairman Doney.

At this time the Supervisors held a moment of silence for the victims of the Ross Township incident.

The minute of the previous meeting were read and on a motion by Supervisor Wickle and seconded by Supervisor Southerton the minutes were approved as read.

The secretary then presented outstanding invoices for the period and on a motion by Supervisor Wickle and seconded by Supervisor Southerton the bills were ordered paid.

At this time the bids were opened for the road projects as advertised as follows:

Wayco Inc.	$ 63,072.27
Hanson Aggregates	$ 81,311.83
E. R. Linde Const.	$ 59,274.25

The Supervisors then reviewed all the bids received and found everything to be in order. After reviewing the bids a motion was made by Supervisor Southerton and seconded by Supervisor Wickle to have the township engineer review the bids received form E. R. Linde and Wayco Inc. And if everything is correct to award the bid to E. R. Linde Const. in the amount of $ 59,274.25.

Carol Santos stated that she would like to comment on the land that was just sub-divided behind her. Carol stated that Meadow and Birch Lanes were the entrances to these properties. Supervisor Southerton stated that his concern was that they would be approving the sub-division without road access to the lot. Carol stated that it is in her deed that defines the road and the access to the lot. Carol also stated that with the township cutting back the brush along the roadway that it has helped to make the sight distance much better than it was.

Zoning Officer Sandi Scull reported that a sign permit has been issued for the Asian Buffett and she has issued a zoning permit for a new deck. She has responded to several inquiries about the new sign ordinance and has provided copies via E-Mail. The O'Heren property on Elizabeth Street in White Mills and the VandeWater property on Old Willow Avenue have been condemned due to dangerous conditions. Sandi stated

that she is actively investigating several complaints and is researching and gathering information on junk yards and other municipalities junk yard ordinances. Adams Sign has sent a letter of intent to make an application to amend the existing conditional use permit that they currently hold. Supervisor Doney asked Sandi about a trailer on Ford's Road. Don stated that it looks like it is set up permanently and if so what are they doing for water and sewerage. It has just been moved in within the past couple of months. Sandi stated that she will look into it.

A letter was received from the Pocono Lake Region Chamber of Commerce stating that they will be holding a half marathon on September 29, 2013 beginning at the Lakeside School. They stated that they will be coming up Lakeside Drive onto Terrace Street and into Cherry Ridge. They were asking permission to use Lakeside Drive for the start of the race. Carol Santos stated that she was not in agreement with the race. Carol stated that they were not local within the township area and stated that if approved more of this will be happening in that area. The supervisors stated that the only thing they have control over is Lakeside Drive and being that it were the race was starting the road should only be closed for a short period of time. A motion was then made by Supervisor Southerton and seconded by Supervisor Wickle to approve the use of the roadway. A certificate of insurance will be sent to the township prior to the race date.

The Road masters reported that they have cut brush along Lakeside Drive and Locust Street. They are currently working on Prompton Road.

Supervisor Southerton stated that he has received copies of other dog ordinances and he will meet with Ken to review them. Rick also stated that Bob Roe asked him if the township was going to start up the planning commission again. The supervisors stated that if they do start it up again it would not be until January when they hold their Re-Organizational meeting.

The secretary then reviewed with the supervisors the paperwork concerning the Monroe County Local gaming money grant. The supervisors approve for Jim Martin to prepare the grant application paper work to apply for funding for the replacement of the bridge on Old Willow Avenue. Engineer Steve Knash has prepared as estimate for the total cost of the bridge project to be around $ 331,000.00. A resolution needs to be adopted stating the township is applying for funding for the bridge and also needs to determine if a local match will be done by the township for the project. The secretary suggested that the township could apply $ 100,000.00 towards the project. A motion was then made by Supervisor Wickle and seconded by Supervisor Southerton to approve $100,000.00 in local match towards the project. A Resolution was then approved stating the same.

Carol Santos then asked if this was the first time the township had applied for funding and the secretary stated that about two or three years ago the township has agreed to apply for funding for a Handicapped Playground for the lakeside Elementary School.

Georgette asked if they could fund the project with only a partial amount of the project and the secretary stated that they could. Georgette then asked about the rip rap that the supervisors placed under the bridge and asked if they were still there after the heavy rains that we have had. Supervisor Southerton stated that they were still in place. Supervisor Doney stated that some of them place by the wing walls may have washed down some from the heavy rains. Georgette then asked the supervisors what a box culvert looks like. They stated that it is a precast concrete form that they use for bridges. They come in sections and are just set in place once they are made and delivered.

Jerry Hiller stated that at the end of Shady Lane on the Honesdale end there is a pot hill that needs to be fixed and asked if it was the townships responsibility. Supervisor Doney stated that it was in the state right of way but they have filled it in on other occasions. They stated that when they get a load of cold patch they will fill it in.

Joe Olsheski asked if anything had been decided about the junk yard fee and inspections. Sandi stated that they will have an answer within the next few weeks. The Supervisors stated that they will discuss it again at the next meeting.

With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:23 P.M. on a motion by Supervisor Southerton and seconded by Supervisor Wickle.

Secretary,

John Haggarty

INCOME

FROM	AMOUNT	REASON
Tanya Gibbons	$ 4,682.34	Taxes Collected
Treas, of Wayne County	451.93	Deliq. Taxes
“ “ “ “	3,836.04	“ ‘
Ginger Golden	774.20	Transfer Taxes
Ginger Golden	49.00	‘ “
District Court	419.30	Fines
Baer’s Sport Center	30.00	Local Services Tax
Prime Medical	4.00	“ “
Pizza Hut	12.31	“ “
Verizon	10.00	“ “
Verizon	80.00	“ “
Diversfied Maint.	10.00	“ “
K Mart	110.00	“ “
Rent A Center	30.00	“ “
Advanced Auto	40.00	“ “
Home Depot	170.00	“ “
Radio Shack	20.00	“ “
Nathan Const.	160.00	Building Permit
R & B Flooring	5,404.00	“ “
Morris Const.	153.56	“ “
Asian Buffett	220.00	Zoning Permit
Dave Dulay	355.00	“ “
Blair Const.	220.00	“ “
S & S Consruction	154.00	“ “
NE Wildlfie	94.00	“
Decker Construction	94.00	“ “
Asian Buffett	274.00	“ “
Dave Dulay	544.00	Building Permit
Firselers Sign	185.00	Zoning Permit
Gary Flood	240.00	Sub-Division Fee

DISBURSEMENTS

TO	CHECK NO.	AMOUNT	REASON
PP&L	14522	$ 543.18	Utility
Robert Coons	14523	50.00	Lawn Mowing
Hannah Kunch	14524	10.00	Refund LST Tax
Kristt Co.	14525	8.46	Supplies
Dirlam Bros.	14526	4.30	"
Highhouse Oil	14527	148.97	Gas
AT&T	14528	152.04	Telephone
Wayne Independent	14529	210.52	Advertising
Tanya Gibbons	14530	214.25	Commission
Jeff DeYoung	14531	296.73	Payroll