July 1, 2013

The Supervisors of Texas Township held their Bi-monthly meeting on July 1, 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.

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

Ken Cohen was present to ask the supervisors about an issue he has with a barking dog. He asked if it were possible to have an ordinance adopted controlling barking and howling dogs in the township. Ken has contacted the dog warden and he told him that it was a local issue. His neighbor ties there dog out and it barks and howls all the time. Ken said that his wife is not well and when the dog starts barking his wife has a seizure. He stated that they can put the dog on the other side of their property if they wanted to. Supervisor Southerton asked him how he would like it worded. Zoning Officer Sandi Scull stated that she has talked to them about the dog before and stated that she will contact them again and set up a meeting to discuss the issue with them. Supervisor Southerton also stated that he will look to see if there are any dog ordinances that have been adopted by other municipalities.

Zoning Officer Sandi Scull reported that permits have been issued for the TNT Fireworks tent and issued a permit to Dickson City Hyundai for a tent sale event at Wal-Mart. The totals for the second quarter from April 1, to June 30 are 15 permits issued with $ 3,175.40 collected in revenue. Sandi has confirmed that the bank holding the mortgage has put the property on its Property Preservation work list. Two other complaints are still being investigated. The blinking signs at Tactical 911 store and the Cigarette Outlet have been addressed. The Cigarette Store still has signage issues that are being addressed. A Texas Township resident requested help following the sudden death of her husband. Many thanks to Bob Coons who volunteered his time to mow the grass. The bank will be taking possession of the property and will arrange the property preservation maintenance of the property. Supervisor Doney asked if the fee for the fireworks tent and the flower tent were the same. Sandi stated that the flower tent fee was more due to fact that they have more signage than the fireworks tent. Supervisor Doney also stated that when Grace Anderson installed her new LED sign she stated that she would be removing other signs on her property. Sandi stated that she would look into the matter. Don also stated that there is a camper set up on Fords Road. Sandi will also check into this.

Supervisor Southerton stated that they are still waiting for the comments back from Wayne County Planning on the proposed sign ordinance. Rick also stated that he has looked into the matter concerning the Speed limit for Lakeside Drive. If the township can determine what the speed limit was on the roadway then they can post if for that. Carol Santos stated that there is a Speed Limit sign posted below Tick Tocks for 25 MPH. Carol suggested making the street one way. Supervisor Doney thought that it would make it difficult to make it one way. Carol stated that if a car is traveling 25 MPH they cannot make the turn on the roadway. You have to get off the roadway when a bus or truck is coming because the roadway is not wide enough for both to pass. The road worked for years but with the increase in traffic the roadway is no longer safe. The supervisors also stated that the sluice pipes on Fords Road need to be fixed. The one by Mr. Joseph does not work at all. There is also a major problem by Mr. Budds. When the sluice pipe plugs by the driveway everything else gets plugged below. Supervisor Doney stated that he will contact Mr. Budd about the problem. The township is not responsible for driveway sluices. Supervisor Southerton stated that Rusty Palmer was going to get back to him about painting the lines on the roadway.

Road masters reported that they have been cleaning ditches and have dug out in front of Jeff Findlays house on Shady Lane. They stated that they have dug out a ditch and then they hit ledge. They have been cleaning up after the recent rain storms on Fords Road Forrest Street. There also has been a driveway blacktopped off of Beech Grove road. They have built a two lane road and should have had a permit for it. The flood control project in White Mills is ready for inspection and they have also cleaned out all the sluices on Shady Lane. Supervisors Doney stated that he has been patching holes where needed on various roads within the township. Wacyo is in the process of preparing the specs for the rad projects for this year. They will include a small section on Canal Street, Old State Road and patch the upper part of Erie Street. The fence has been repaired by Lollipop Pond. Supervisors Southerton asked if the insurance company fought the large Workmen's comp claim that we had. They had an attorney representing us at the hearings that have taken place.

Georgette asked if the tents that are in the mall are rented from the mall owner. Sandi stated that they lease the space from the mall owners but are responsible for the tents. Once they get the lease they come to the township for the permits.

Carol suggested that instead of making Lakeside Drive one way that the supervisors could install signage about the curve ahead. She said that would notify people about the curve ahead and they would slow down. Carol also asked if the workmen's comp plan had been subrogated. The secretary stated that he did not know but would ask DGK if it was.

The secretary reported the following cash balances as of June 28,2013; General Fund (Checking) $ 66,044.56; General Fund (Savings) $ 117,814.10; Liquid Fuels $ 188,857.16; Fire Tax Account $ 16,984.37; Escrow Accounts $ 33,717.20; $ 30,394.42 and $ 26,092.54.

With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:06 P.M. on a motion by Supervisor Wickle and seconded by Supervisor Southerton.

INCOME

FROM	AMOUNT	REASON
Comm of PA	$ 974.20	Fines
Wayne Bank	8.24	Interest
Liquid Fuels		
Wayne Bank	14.49	Interest
Fire Tax Account		
Tanya Gibbons	4,103.18	Fire Tax
Escrow Account		
The Dime Bank	3.88	Interest
The Dime Bank	3.50	"
The Dime Bank	3.00	"

DISBURSEMENTS

TO	CHECK NO.	AMOUNT	REASON
Robert Coons	14466	$ 50.00	Lawn Mowing
Mary Plevyak	14467	100.00	Court Reporter
Don Doney	14468	10.59	Supplies
UGI/PNG	14469	44.27	Utility
AmeriHealth Casualty	14470	3,146.62	Workmens Comp
Community Planning	14471	554.43	Professional Services
Quality Printing	14472	46.86	Printing
DGK Insurance	14473	1,559.00	Insurance Package
Home Depot	14474	183.49	Supplies
Don Doney	14475	498.74	Payroll
Don Doney	14476	76.00	Meeting
Allan Wickle	14477	256.94	Payroll
Allan Wickle	14478	97.00	Meeting
Rick Southerton	14479	48.39	Payroll
Rick Southerton	14480	125.00	Meeting
Sandi Scull	14481	544.17	Payroll
PP&L	14482	162.13	Utility
Blue Ridge Cable	14483	49.95	"
IRS	Debit	886.06	Payroll Deposit
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