

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
SCHUYLKILL TOWNSHIP
75 WALNUT STREET
MARY-D, PA 17952**

The Regular meeting of the Supervisors of Schuylkill Township was held Monday, July 11, 2022. Those present included Charles Fayash & Gary Feathers. The Pledge of the Allegiance was recited.

Fayash motion to add to the Agenda, Schuylkill Township's 2nd Annual Car Cruise, 2nd Feathers. All Approved. Discussion ensued regarding the car cruise. Fayash motioned to approve the car cruise at the Mary D Baseball field on 8/20 & 8/21 2022. 2nd Feathers, All approved

Meeting Minutes- Fayash motioned to approve May & June Meeting Minutes, 2nd Feathers. All Approved.

Treasurer's Report-Total Township Assets \$645,873.09(Bank Statements) Fayash motioned to accept treasurer's report pending audit, 2nd Feathers. All approved

Answers to Last Month's Public Questions - None

Public comment on agenda items only – None

Police Report –1 Welfare Check, 2 Assist other PD, 1 False Burglar Alarm, 3 Request for Assistance; 1 Disabled vehicle; 1 reportable mva; 1 criminal mischief, 2 parking complaints; 1 Assist EMS; 1 MVA non reportable; 1 unwanted person; 1 harassment; 1 abandoned vehicle; 1 MVA hit and run. 13 traffic citations issued. 1 non traffic citation – scattering rubbish

Code Enforcement Report – Hearing on July 13, 2022 Back Street Properties; Discussion ensued. Valley Street Property addressed. Discussion ensued regarding International Property Maintenance Code. Fayash property was addressed.

Roadmaster Report- Buccieri on vacation, Grass cut. Potholes filled. Banks weed whacked. Flags fixed. Basketball nets were placed up; International was repair rear had to be rewired. Discussion ensued regarding SkyTop being purchased by Tom Lindsay.

Solicitors Report- ESRP Ordinance and No Parking Walnut Street Ordinance to be advertised

Zoning Report- 1 Ucc permit issued Mike Boyle (Garage Repair Shop & Woodworking shop) 2 – Certificate of Occupancy – Mike Boyle - Garage Repair Shop & Woodworking shop & John Dougherty - Shed

Committee Reports

Council of Government- did not meet

Tax Collection Committee- did not meet

Eastern Schuylkill Recreation Committee- did not meet

Communications: Mary D Fire Company letter read.. Thanking the Township for use of the parking lot for training. Contact secretary if payment arrangements needed for Garbage Bill; Schuylkill Township Planning Commission met June 28, 2022 and recommended the Round 1 Zoning Amendments be accepted as proposed, Feathers motions to accept the recommendations by the PC board regarding the Zoning Amendments, 2nd Fayash. All Approved. George Yatsko handicap space installed; Ordered 75 tons of Salt to be delivered in next 2 weeks due to truck load sizes; Audit has started June 1, 2022 Feathers asked if all survey from the Township were in, Per Hill the auditor hasn't asked for any not returned.

Old Business: Community Service Program thru Adult Probation discussed what kind of help we are looking for, Hill explained needed help with painting the building, cutting grass and weed whacking. Prisoners are still listed under Covid restrictions. Review and update Ordinance 78-1-Engineer Study to be completed; Discussion ensued the Sanderson Street Road Study completed. Feathers made motion to accept the Sanderson Street Road Study, 2nd Feathers. All Approved. PPL Contract for Led Street Lights- Need to do Resolution for the agreement Fayash motioned Resolution 2022-3 for the Led Street Lights, 2nd Feathers. All Approved; Hometown Hero Flags-PPL Agreement for Hanging Hometown Hero Flags on their poles; Agreement as to how flags are to be hung on PPL poles. Discussion ensued regarding hanging the flags on the PPL Poles. Feathers motioned to move forward with the Hometown Heros Program, 2nd Fayash. All Approved. Camera at entry to building – Call with Ted Fleiss on July 7, 2022 1pm; Discussion ensued regarding the work that he does with Security door and cameras. Discussion ensued regarding price and services necessity and locations needed. Feathers motioned to have Fleiss come to building to give a formal quote of what is needed., 2nd Fayash. All Approved. Facebook page – need to complete; Contingency plan for secretary-Ordered lock box; Discuss Survey to be done of area for Laurel Ave project – Discuss Bensingers conversation regarding the survey. Motion to allow Ken Bensinger to pickup our older maps of area and scan for him to be able to let us know about Survey, Martin Donahue Letter. Hill explained per both Surveyors’ are having a hard time with the right ways, and paper roads etc. of the area. Coal Mine areas are hard to determine and GIS with the county isn’t always correct. They could go into the area and no one will be happy with what is determined. Feathers asked residents since the Township moved the bank how is the situation since that being done. Discussion ensued regarding the area and parking. Feathers motioned to place on hold until Mark is back from vacation and move the bank back a little more., 2nd Fayash. All Approved.

New Business: Discuss & adopt NFPA Codes and Standards; Feathers motioned to table until next month, 2nd Fayash. All Approved. Mary D Community Association Water Rate Increase, etc hydrants & Building; Discussion ensued regarding rate increase; & hydrants; Feathers motioned to remove Mary D Community Association Fire hydrant at North Main and Walnut Street Mary D, 2nd Fayash. All Approved. Garbage Delinquencies-Liens on 2 properties-discussed in executive session; Discuss Roads to be paved, Pottsville Materials and quotes, discussion ensued regarding cold and hot patch & help from other Townships and COG Fayash motioned to get help from other townships paving roads, 2nd Feathers; All Approved.; Invoices to be paid BTMA –\$1650.00 Hydrants, discussion ensued regarding \$150.00 late fee, Fayash motioned to pay the invoice 2nd Feathers, All Approved. Discussion ensued regarding BTMA late fees and their bills getting lost in the mail and were sent to GA and NC; Schuylkill Township’s owned property Atty Rockman was going to look into Deeds on certain properties and stipulations; Per Atty Baranko we need to consult 2nd Class Township Code regarding selling property Previous supervisors stopped a sale and that property is to revert back to people originally wanting to purchase. Give Atty Baranko a property and he will look at it.; IRS Mileage Rate 58.5 cents raised to 62.5 effective July 1, 2022; Vacant/Abandoned Properties discussion ensued regarding what our options are as a township regarding vacant/abandoned property. Discussion ensued regarding International Property Code and Codification Project.; Walnut Street No parking Ordinance discussion ensued regarding the towing. Fayash motioned to advertise the No Walnut Street Parking ordinance, 2nd Feathers. All Approved; Dollar General Bond Reduction discussion ensued regarding the drain basin and cutting the grass. Fayash motioned to table Dollar General Bond Reduction until August meeting to meet with the engineer to discuss issues. 2nd Feathers, all approved; PSATS Insurance for FT Employee need a join ender agreement and resolution needs to be done. Hill gave Mark the information. Reached out to outside insurance with Share with other townships; also was given information regarding a gov’t website for insurance. PSATS Salary Survey Plus- Police and Roadmaster, Hill explained what the PSATS Salary Survey is and how it reflects salaries of other townships. Salt shed unable to fund thru grant, grant guidelines changed. Discussion ensued regarding the salt shed. Feathers motioned to have salt shed repaired by Zawada for \$9800.00 2nd Fayash, All Approved; Chief DiMarco to be paid for 12 hrs of training from last year; Fayash motioned to pay DiMarco for last year’s training, 2nd Feathers. All Approved. Time clock letter that pay cards are not to leave the building; Fayash

motioned to do time clock letter, 2nd Feathers. All Approved. 2% Garbage commission fee to be paid to Hill per both supervisors this can be paid without motion due to it being approved at reorganizational meeting.

Public Comment

John Zubris – Brockton- Zubris questioned regarding placement of Hometown Hero Flags and if a price has been decided yet. Who is putting the flags up. Per Feathers the township will install the flags on the poles. Hill is trying to have link on website by end of July. Discussion ensued regarding the Hometown Hero Flags.

Bridget Leskin – Brockton – drain at bottom of Emerick and Valley street needs to be looked at. She is concerned someone will get hurt with this drain. Per Supervisors they will meet with Dave Horst to see his recommendation is

Joe Smarr – Tuscarora- cars speeding down Catawissa Street before the stop sign. Stop sign placement and people blowing the stop sign. Per DiMarco they have been writing tickets for that area. Per Supervisors that was placed that way per State, Supervisors will reach out to PennDOT to see what they can do to remedy the situation. Discussion ensued regarding the State and the township and what we can do.

Suzanne Olsen – Mary D- Sunny Drive speed sign 15 mph branches are over it. Can these branches be trimmed? Per Supervisors they will have Mark look at it and trim the branches. Can you put a speed limit sign going up the hill? Discussion ensued regarding the speeding on Sunny Drive with Chief DiMarco and Supervisors.

Joe Leskin – Brockton – Stop Sign at Emerick & Valley, Can this be moved? Per Leskin it is not placed properly. Discussion ensued regarding placement of the Stop Sign. Supervisors will look at this when looking at the Drain with the engineer. Can something be placed at intersection due to everyone walking to the Dollar General? Discussion ensued having engineer look when looking at the drain also. Also all the dirt bikes, Atv's etc. Discussion ensued regarding the dirt bikes and ATVs.

Mike Kellet – Liens on garbage properties? Per Hill it is being done in executive session. Discussion ensued regarding about people not paying their garbage and how is it going to be handled.

Fayash motioned to go into executive session, 2 Feathers. All approved

Executive Session- Spoke about Garbage Delinquencies. Employee Insurance, Police officer; Fayash motioned for Chief DiMarco \$25 monthly stipend for phone, 2nd Feathers. All Approved. Feathers motioned to pay employees \$10,000 for future payroll with ARP Funds, 2nd Fayash. All Approved.

Fayash made a motion to adjourn the meeting. 2nd Feathers. All approved.

Adjourned

Attest: Denise Hill