

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

The Regular meeting of the Supervisors of Schuylkill Township was held Monday, August 1, 2022. Those present included Charles Fayash, Gary Feathers and Charles Hosler. The Pledge of the Allegiance was recited.

Meeting Minutes- Feathers motioned to approve July Minutes, 2<sup>nd</sup> Fayash. All Approved.

Treasurer's Report-Total Township Assets \$662,876.53 (Bank Statements) Fayash motioned to accept treasurer's report pending audit, 2<sup>nd</sup> Feathers. All approved

Answers to Last Month's Public Questions – Engineer met with supervisors regarding Dollar General and the culvert on Emerick and Valley Street. Engineer recommended the back side of the drain could be raised up 2”.

Public comment on agenda items only – None

Police Report –18 Calls, 1 domestic arrest, Accident, ordinance violation, trespassing, information request, domestic no arrest, parking complaint, 2 911 hang up, 2 welfare check, littering, criminal mischief, 3 abandon vehicles, ATV dirt bike, accident, and fire call. Police will be sitting at Catawissa Street going towards Barnesville due to speeding on Catawissa Street. Discussion ensued regarding the enrad and speeding thru there due to the complaints. 10 traffic citations issued and 1 non traffic citation issued. Pennsylvania Commission on Crime & delinquency was here and did compliance check. Police Dept is in compliance with holding adults, however not for minors, Chief DiMarco explained we are not equipped to hold a juvenile at our facility. He has reached out to Tamaqua Area Police dept; due to them having 24/7 police protection & 2 police officer and they are equipped to hold juveniles. If Schuylkill Township police arrest a juvenile they will contact Tamaqua Police Dept. and transfer the juvenile to their facility. Pennsylvania Commission on Crime & Delinquency has agreed to Chief DiMarcos plan for Juveniles.

Code Enforcement Report –Property at Mine Street grass was cut & discussion ensued regarding warrant needed for code property.

Roadmaster Report- Buccieri stated they fixed and replaced stop sign and posts & cleared brush in Reevesdale, cut grass, patched potholes, Equipment maintenance, cleared drains, cut back roadsides. Twp rec'd 75 tons of Rock salt @\$4967.42. Working on cleaning around the old salt shed, need totes moved or gone. Offered totes to residents if interested, talk to Mark if interested for details, Per Buccieri we will keep 2 totes for them to use in the twp. Fayash asked about hot patch and fixing the large craters, per Buccieri they are working on that in Tuscarora now.

Solicitors Report- ESRP Ordinance and No Parking Walnut Street Ordinance advertised and ready to go. 1<sup>st</sup> discussion on Sanderson Street Study ordinance-excessive maintenance agreement needs to be worked out

Zoning Report- 2 Zoning Permit – Anthony McCarron/St.Jeromes Church Cemetery-Gazebo & Jennifer Quinn & Brian Hotsko- demolition permit 27 Piersol St.

Committee Reports

Council of Government- July 27, 2022

Tax Collection Committee- did not meet

Eastern Schuylkill Recreation Committee- did not meet

Communications: Camera at entry to building –Meeting set for August 11, 2022 @ 10am with Supervisors; PPL Contract for Led Street Lights-PPL Rep is getting PPL Signature on Contract & ordered lights, Police Printer Ordered; Contact secretary if payment arrangements needed for Garbage Bill

Old Business: Walnut Street No parking Ordinance, 2022-2, Feather motioned to accept ordinance 2022-2 Walnut Street No parking, 2<sup>nd</sup> Fayash. All Approved. ESRP Ordinance 2022-3 & Invoice Fayash motioned to pass the ESRP Ordinance 2022-3 & invoice 2<sup>nd</sup> Feathers, All approved. Review and update Ordinance 78-1 Draft Ordinance circulated and looking for supervisors recommendations, this is first time this is released. Discussion ensued regarding Commercial vehicles; Sign Resolutions passed for ARP Funding-Copier, Monitors, Payroll Supervisors signed Resolutions 2022-4 and Resolution 2022-5; IRS Mileage Rate 58.5 cents rose to 62.5 effective July 1, 2022-Need to motion to accept, Fayash made motion to accept the IRS Mileage Rate 2<sup>nd</sup> Hosler. All Approved; Roads to be paved & Help from other Townships, discussion ensued regarding the other twps being short handed and unable to help at this time due to Covid & illnesses, Discussion ensued regarding scheduling for all parties involved. Buccieri is to reach out to Walker Twp and get it scheduled, discussion ensued regarding paving; Dollar General Bond Reduction, supervisors met with Engineer to discuss the high grass, weeds and drainage ponds; discussion ensued regarding Dollar General Property maintenance and drainage areas. Per Atty Baranko send Code Enforcement out to check the property and issue what needs to be issued. No communication responses seen from Engineer to Dollar General, Fayash motioned to release Dollar General Bond reduction 2<sup>nd</sup> Feathers. All Approved. Mary D Community Association, hill sent letter removing fire hydrant at north main & walnut. Also sent the twp has a10.00 credit after removing the hydrant and with the increase that was billed. Discussion ensued regarding water shut off for sewer. Atty Baranko will check. Hometown Hero Flags- John from program to call with final steps to proceed; Salt Shed contract signed with Zawada; Car Cruise canceled due to misunderstanding of what was needed and short time frame to complete.

New Business: Discuss & adopt NFPA Codes and Standards; Feathers motioned to table until next month with the fire company's stuff, 2<sup>nd</sup> Fayash. All approved. Hill discussed the Fire Companies need to complete the Verisk due to insurance purposes for all. Discussion ensued regarding the visits and lists and Fire Company visits with VeriRisk; Schuylkill Township's owned property \$6000 or greater or will need to bid, \$6000 or less goes to appraisal per Joe Baranko Fayash questioned if anything was found out about the property and deed where it is to revert back to 2 residents of the township, per Hill no haven't found the parcel number for property; discussion ensued regarding clauses on the deed and reverting back to county. Baranko asked for parcel or something for him to research. 231 Valley Street Tax Sale – August 15 deadline to accept Feathers motioned to accept offer, 2<sup>nd</sup> Fayash, all approved; Garbage Delinquencies (exec session); Vacant/Abandoned Properties discussion ensued regarding the vacant properties in the township Hill will have list for Sept. meeting; PSATS Insurance for FT Employee(exec session)

#### Public Comment

Bob Kupetz – Mary D- Spoke of the issues from when the last time there was discussion of sale of the Township properties. Per Atty. We need to figure out first before anything will be done. Discussion continued to ensue. Feathers stated that we are researching the deed before anything is done. He also asked where the no parking on Walnut street is, it was explained it is in Tuscarora at the intersection with Catawissa  
John Zubris – Brockton – Has Verizon given permission for the poles for Hometown heroes. Hill stated no, that once we know what poles of Verizon we would be using, then Hill can obtain permission for the Verizon Pole. Who is responsible for cutting the weed at a property on Valley Street. Discussion ensued regarding it is the property owners.

Fayash made a motion to adjourn the meeting. 2<sup>nd</sup> Feathers. All approved.

Adjourned

Attest: Denise Hill