

April 2023 Meeting Minutes

The regular monthly meeting of West Branch Township Board of Supervisors was held on Monday, April 3, 2023 at 6:00pm at the Township Municipal Office, located at 533 Germania Road, Galeton, PA 16922.

Present were Steve Piaquadio, Edward Dingman, Katie Bodendorf, Jill Campbell, Bill Reineck, Richard Christ and Mark Swope (Suit-Kote)

The meeting was called to order at 6:00pm by Steve Piaquadio.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

A motion was made by Steve Piaquadio to approve the minutes of the March 2023 regular meeting and was seconded by Edward Dingman.

A motion was made by Ed Dingman to approve the financial report of March 2023, as presented and was seconded by Steve Piaquadio.

All in favor, motions passed.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

Bill Reineck – Requesting material for Paul Hollow, to which the Supervisors are adding to their spring/summer maintenance repair list.

Richard Christ – Inquiring on behalf of a group of residents about information pertaining to the drilling activity of Appalachian Energy to take place in Bull Run area. It was discussed that Appalachian Energy is still in the planning process and their contact information was given to Richard.

Continued Business:

Blue Ridge Franchise Cable Agreement: Cox, Stokes & Lantz have sent a formal letter requesting changes and additions to the proposed agreement in January. Awaiting update / response.

Appalachian Energy: Road Bond Agreement addendum under review with Solicitor.

2023 D&G Application Round: Applications submitted for Germania Street Ext and Crippen Run Road – Bull Run towards hill. Ranking will take place in April – formal notification should be received by June 2023.

County Aid: Awaiting approval correspondence to order stockpiled material (2RC Limestone – Heidelberg Materials) Available funds \$1752.72

Gas Impact Fee Project: Discussed Gas Impact Fund overview / projection with the purchase of the 2023 Ford Super Duty Truck, Pigeon Hill Tar & Chip and the anticipated payoff of the Massey Ferguson mower. Secretary to compile bid notice for Pigeon Hill Double Application Tar & Chip Project for anticipated bid letting of April 3, 2023.

ARPA: Discussed proposed spending of the ARPA Funds to possibly be used on building maintenance / repairs. The Board to obtain building quotes for different options, including an additional overhead door and possible additions to current buildings. Secretary to check into building permit requirements with Erb Inspections once quotes are received.

DCNR Dust Control: Discussed the Ultrabond 2000 material that is being recommended by DCNR to use on reimbursable roads. Secretary to check further into bidding requirements, although Christian Nicholas does not think that the material will cost more than \$22,500. Secretary to forward the Supervisors the approved / reimbursable material list for review and research. It was noted that Gaines Twp will be proceeding with Ultrabond 2000.

New Business:

Gas Impact Fee – Pigeon Hill Tar & Chip: Bid letting for 1.64 Miles of double application Tar 7 Chip on Pigeon Hill.

Bid proposals received from Suit-Kote, Vollmer Tar & Chip, Midland Asphalt, Russell Standard Corp & Jefferson Paving.

A motion to award Suit-Kote, in the amount of \$63,293.31, to perform Tar & Chipping services and applications to Pigeon Hill Road, payable from the Gas Impact Fee Fund was made by Steve Piaquadio and seconded by Edward Dingman. All in favor, motion passed.

2023 Spring Clean Up: May 6th & May 7th from 8am-5pm at the Maintenance Building. The employee roster / available laborers was discussed as well as coordination of WM containers & hauling needs.

Summer Road Maintenance: Concerns regarding Tyoga Road, Germania Street Ext and Paul Hollow were discussed.

Secretary to obtain quotes for 2RC (approx. 2000 tons (+/-) tailgated) for May monthly meeting to discuss budget and bidding.

Building & Assessment Permits:

1. **UCC: Anderson – 532 Germania Road: 23' 6"x16'x10"** Addition

Sewage Permits:

1. **Rodney Zeger / Michael Donnelly:** Tank replacement

Gas Industry Notifications:

1. **None**

Road Bonds:

1. 2022-3: STL Resources, LLC – Button Hollow, Paul Hollow & Pigeon Hill expires 07/25/2023
2. 2022-4: Herb Kilmer & Sons – Crippen Run Road expires 8/17/2023

Correspondence:

Potter County Conservation District: DGLVR Annual Breakfast to be held on Wednesday, April 19, 2023 @ PA Lumber Museum from 7:30-10:45am.

Mid-Month payroll and checks will be available to sign / disburse on Monday, April 17, 2023 @ 9:00am

The next Board of Supervisors Meeting will be held on Monday, May 1, 2023 @ 6:00pm

WBT / ABT Joint Dumpster Meeting will be held on June 21, 2023 @ 6:00pm

Reviewed correspondence and signed checks

Motion to adjourn this meeting at 7:30pm by Steve Piaquadio and seconded by Ed Dingman, all in favor, meeting adjourned.