

March 2024 Meeting Minutes

The regular monthly meeting of West Branch Township Board of Supervisors was held on Monday, March 4, 2024 following the Organizational meeting starting at 6:00pm at the Township Municipal Office, located at 533 Germania Road, Galeton, PA 16922.

Present were Steve Piaquadio, Edward Dingman, Jim Succowich, Katie Bodendorf, Ken Loiacono and Jill Campbell

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 February 2024 regular meeting and was seconded by Jim Succowich.

A motion was made by Jim Succowich to approve the financial report of February 2024, as presented and was seconded by Steve Piaquadio.

All in favor, motions passed.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

Ken Loiacono – Discussed a driveway concern creating poor road conditions on Paul Hollow Road. Roadmaster to reach out to Daren Stover, PennDOT rep for inspection and workplan suggestions. 448 Paul Hollow Road 300-001-048-3.

Continued Business:

2023 Audit: Secretary audit prep completed. Board of Auditors to start municipal audit on March 10, 2024.

Gale Hose Ambulance: No further updates since last meeting. Topic tabled until further updates are gathered.

ARPA Project: Awaiting project completion, anticipated construction for shed addition (permits obtained) weather permitting.

Dirt & Gravel 2024 Grant Round: Applications have been submitted for Crippen Run Road and Germania Street Ext.

DCNR Regional ATV Program: Discussed email correspondence and reviewed anticipated reimbursement allocation for Dust Control material / placement for 2024. Awaiting IGA from DCNR to proceed.

2024 Road Projects: The board held a discussion of 2024 roadwork and bid notices that would be required.

Paul Hollow Road – Bid out .65 mile of tar & chip

2RC Limestone – Crippen Run, Gross & Paul Hollow, 700 ton (+/-) Tailgated

2RC Deans – Quotes obtained \$20.75/ton stockpiled & \$22.50/ton tailgated on Notch Road (400 ton)

2RC Deans – County Aid Application: 80 ton (+/-) Tailgated on Notch from above listed quote

A motion was made by Jim Succowich and seconded by Edward Dingman to proceed with all of the above listed material bids and purchases based on quotes that were reviewed. All in favor, motion passed.

New Business:

County Aid Liquid Fuels: A motion was made by Jim Succowich and seconded by Edward Dingman to apply for 80-ton 2RC (+/-) @ \$22.50 / ton to be tailgated on Notch Road by E.F. Dean, Inc. based on quotes obtained. All in favor, motion passed. Signatures obtained by all board members for application submission.

Building & Assessment Permits:

1. **In Process:** Ali Boutorabi – 789 Crippen Run Road. 2024-1 Assessment permit for Pole Barn. Sewage planning in process, UCC Code permitting in process, if applicable. Property owner to submit Travel Trailer Permit to utilize motor coach while actively building pole barn.

Sewage Permits:

1. **Darren & Holly Kauffman** – 51 Pine Tree Road – at Grade bed

Gas Industry Notifications:

1. **National Fuel:** Well #WH55 – Gas storage well to be reworked, DEP application in process to permit drilling and operation of a conventional well. Wharton Township

Road Bonds:

1. 2024-1: **STL Resources, LLC** – Button Hollow, Paul Hollow & Pigeon Hill – July 2024
2. 2022-4: **Herb Kilmer & Sons** – Crippen Run Road expires 08/30/2024
3. 2023-2: **Kettle Creek Drilling (Appalachian Energy)** – Crippen Run Road expires 06/08/2024
4. 2024-2: **Wagner Lumber: IN-PROCESS**, Button Hollow, Pigeon Hill & Fowler Road

Correspondence:

1. **Senate of PA:** Meet Senator Cris Dush on Wednesday, March 27th, 2024 and Thursday, March 28th, 2024. A series for local government officials to discuss funding opportunities. Series will be held at several different locations. Pre-registration required. A list of event locations available upon request.

2. **Potter County Conservation District:** Municipal DGLVR Annual Breakfast to be held at the PA Lumber Museum on Wednesday, April 10, 2024 from 7:30-10:45am. RSVP by Friday, March 29th. Secretary to register Steve Piaquadio and Ed Dingman.

Mid-Month payroll and checks will be available to sign / disburse on Monday, March 18, 2024.

The next monthly Board of Supervisors meeting will be held on Monday, April 1, 2024 starting at 6:00pm.

Reviewed correspondence and signed checks.

A motion to adjourn this meeting at 7:05pm was made by Steve Piaquadio and seconded by Edward Dingman, All in favor. Motion passed.