

THURSDAY, April 5, 2018
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
ROARING BROOK TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

The regular meeting of the Roaring Brook Township Board of Supervisors was held on Thursday April 5, 2018 at 8:00 pm at the Municipal Building on Blue Shutters Road. Present were Supervisors Anthony Jordan, Eric Schield and Robert Farischon, Attorney Jenna Kraycer, Chief Donald Hickey, Gerard Hetman, Michele Wilk, Joe Nayda, Paul Kozik, Monica Scaduto, Scott Connors and Kurt Lipinski.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Gerard Hetman from County –**Armed Forces Parade**, Saturday May 19, 2018 at 11:00 AM; **4-H Information Night at the North Pocono Public Library**, Tuesday April 24, 2018 at 6PM; **Fishing Derby**, May 5, 2018 at McDade Park; **Women’s Golf Clinic**, April 23 & 30, May 7 & 14, 2018 at Scott Greens Golf Club; **Blood Drive**, Friday April 20, 2018 at Lackawanna County Administration Building.

MINUTES & TREASURERS REPORT

- A **MOTION** to **accept the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 1, 2018** as presented was made by Farischon and seconded by Schield. Motion carried.
- A **MOTION** to **accept the Accounts Payable and Payroll of April 5, 2018** as presented, was made by Farischon and seconded by Schield. Motion carried.
- A **MOTION** to **accept the Treasurer’s Report of April 5, 2018** as presented, was made by Schield, and seconded by Farischon. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

- Email from Debbie Bertha of the North Pocono Trails Association requesting a letter from the Township in support of a grant application being submitted by Lackawanna County for grant funding under the PA DCNR C2P2 for the recreational trail on a four mile stretch from Dunmore to Elmhurst Township.
- Letter from Chuck Rodgers regarding Simmerson Road, Farischon said Township has no intention to close the road.
- Elmhurst/Roaring Brook Volunteer Firefighter’s Relief Association Compliance Audit for January 1, 2015 to December 31, 2016.
- Lackawanna County Planning Commission RE: County Hazard Mitigation Plan 2020 Five-Year Update.
- Email from Shirley Fackler, President of Crestwood Townhouses requesting use of Meeting Room for their Associations meeting on April 10, 2018 at 7:00PM.
- Email from Matt Kalinowski – schedule for Little League and Cal Ripken League use of Baseball Field at the Roaring Brook Township Park.
- PA Department of Transportation - Notice of Payment of Liquid Fuels Tax Fund in the amount of \$123,570.04 to be paid on March 1, 2018.
- Lackawanna County Conservation District RE: Lands of Ryan & Kathryn Jones, Lot 4 Old Oak Estate Erosion and Sediment Pollution Control Plan has been reviewed and found adequate.
- Commonwealth of PA Liquor Control Board - liquor license fee in the amount of \$400.
- Lackawanna County Planning Commission – RE: PennDot Connects and the Future of Transportation Planning – meeting scheduled for March 26, 2018.
- Lackawanna County Planning Commission comments on several amendments to the Roaring Brook Township Zoning Ordinance May-92 and Ordinance Jan-93.

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ACTION ON CORRESPONDENCE

- NP Trail Association proposal is a result of work PennDOT is going to do in replacing Twin Bridges. A road will be put in below the bridges so they can do the work on the bridges at a cost of \$1,000,000. Trail Association saw this as a good time to put a trail from Dunmore to Jefferson Township and cross Route 435. Supervisors will write a letter of support however they will not commit to any funding.
- Schield commented on letter from Chuck Rodgers – Township received a grant to improve a section of Simmerson Road. Road work was done in 2017. Dirt piles were put in after this work because a drain was collapsing further down Simmerson. The dirt piles were there for safety reasons to keep vehicles off that section of the road. There are two property owners on the road.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

- Nothing to report.

ROAD DEPARTMENT

- Report read.
- Flagger class in April at a cost.
- Township engineer has been in touch with PA American about the paving job on Mosswood and Shady. They will meet.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

- Report read and on file.

RECYCLING

- Report not available. Road Department started using Moscow Borough roll off truck to bring recycling containers to Township building. Moscow will be billing us for the use of their truck at a much lower cost than what we have been paying a private contractor.

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- No meetings.

BUILDING PERMITS

None.

PERSONS TO BE HEARD

- None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- Gardner Road Paving – Seven contractors submitted bids with pricing with two options –

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	Upper	Lower	Total
1.) Pennsy Supply	\$294,219	\$80,169	\$374,388
2.) WAYCO	\$297,881	\$82,844	\$380,725
3.) American Asphalt	\$293,513	\$88,650	\$382,163
4.) Hanson	\$311,878	\$85,089	\$396,967
5.) Linde	\$323,707	\$87,541	\$411,248
6.) New Enterprise	\$328,129	\$90,135	\$418,264
7.) Popple	\$348,215	\$89,297	\$437,512

- Bids were opened Wednesday, April 4, 2018 at 3:00 PM.
- A **MOTION** by Schield, and seconded by Farischon, to **award the base bid and option bid at a cost of \$374,388.20 without epoxy paint to Pennsy Supply.** Motion carried.
- Jordan complimented Road Department on the excellent job they did with snow removal this winter.
- Pavilion at Park – price that was received last year was \$10,000. Township applied for a Re-invest Grant last year but funding was not available.

NEW BUSINESS

- Jordan reported at Township Reorganization Meeting Susan Bowen was appointed Solicitor to Zoning Hearing Board. Susan has left private practice and has withdrawn from Zoning Hearing Board Solicitor.
- A **MOTION** by Farischon, and seconded by Schield to **approve Christine Novajosky to as solicitor to the Zoning Hearing Board.** Motion carried.
- New Backhoe should be ready by the end of the month.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Joseph Nayda asked who are the Township Auditor's and when do they meet.
- Jordan said they are – Catherine Schield, Patty Evanchyk and Sean Hanlon. They meet the first two months of the year.
- Scott Connors and Kurt Lipinski from Summit Woods Association had concerns about the width of Summit Woods Road at the curve under Interstate 84 Bridge. They asked if the shoulder could be widened. Jordan said the majority of the road is in Elmhurst Township and Roaring Brook worked with developer to make improvements. The road is 18 feet and is legal for liquid fuels funding.
- Summit Woods Association is sending out New Home Packets with notices for their dues to all property owners in Summit Woods and they will provide Township with contact information of the property owners.
- Supervisors will take into consideration the request for widening the curve. Schield will meet with representative from Pennsy to look at it. Speed trailer will be put there just to make drivers aware of their speed. Mr. Connors asked if a No Parking sign could be put up near curve. Schield said he thinks and ordinance would have to be passed.
- Michele Wilk – Dr. Erhardt cleanup along Blue Shutters Road will take place on Sunday, April 15 starting at 8:30 am, meet at baseball field.
- Wilk asked if chickens on Velview Road are allowed? Zoning Officer Kozik said if she has a complaint submit it in writing.

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- Wilk asked about the date Galka's garage was constructed. Kozik's letter said construction of his house was in 1988 and Mr. Galka stated the garage was constructed in 1995. Supervisors replied they have not found any paper work for the Galka garage.
- Farischon said Kozik will speak to Galka about cleaning up his property.

ADJOURNMENT

- A **MOTION** by Farischon and seconded by Schield was made **to adjourn at 9:50 PM.** Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Farischon, Secretary