

The regular monthly meeting of the Fox Township Board of Supervisors was held April 5, 2017 at 6:00 PM. Those present: Mike Keller, Dave Mattiuz and Randy Gradizzi, supervisors, Kathy Dowie, secretary-treasurer, Amy Cherry, newspaper reporter, Cheryl Ruffner, Don Ruffner, Matt Pontzer, Pete Bauer, Rick Krishart, Jim Nissel, Mike Agosti, Sis Klaiber, Paul Sekula, Mike Kamandulis, Terry Krishart, Tyrel Woelfel, Cody Woelfel and JoAnn Grazioli.

Chairman Keller called the meeting to order and began by opening sealed bids for sale of timber on Toby Water property with bid results as follows:

Emporium Hardwoods	\$47,249
Kane Hardwoods	\$55,014
BWP Hardwoods	\$69,055
Brownlee Lumber	\$55,405
Allegheny Wood Products	\$62,629

A motion was made by Randy Gradizzi, seconded by Dave Mattiuz to award the bid to BWP Hardwoods, the highest bidder. Motion carried.

Chairman Keller continued the meeting by acknowledging the visitors.

Rick Krishart asked if the board had a plan to recoup the income lost from the landfill as a result of the landslide accident. Mike Keller responded that they will need additional time in order to see the true impact on the host fees. Obviously, the income will not be as high, since the landfill was completely shut down for a while but, since they are back in operation, the total impact is unclear. He doubted, however, that the impact would prevent township operations as planned for this year. Krishart also stated that someone was living in a "shack" without water or sewage on Stellute Lane. Rob Singer will investigate the situation.

Sis Klaiber expressed her concerns about her neighbor (Cherry Road) accumulating old cars on his property. She stated that it looks like the start of a salvage yard and is lowering the value of her property. Mike Keller responded that this was one of many properties that have been listed as concerns. These properties will be receiving a letter asking them to clean up.

A motion was made by Randy Gradizzi, seconded by Dave Mattiuz to approve the minutes from the meeting of March 1, 2017. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

Landfill inspection reports dated 2/22, 3/1 and 3/22 were received and are available for review.

A request was received to adopt a resolution approving an inter-municipal transfer of a Pennsylvania "restaurant" liquor license from outside Fox Township to be used by Giant Eagle at their convenience store located at 1109 Million Dollar Highway (GetGo). This license was purchased at auction from PLCB, it had once been issued in Jones Township. The adoption of the resolution requires that a public hearing be held prior to the adoption. A motion was made by Randy Gradizzi, seconded by Mike Keller, to hold a public hearing on May 3, 2017 at 6 PM with the regular monthly meeting to immediately follow. Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Randy Gradizzi will pursue the purchase of a new pick-up truck, as discussed at budget time. This money is already allocated in the equipment reserve fund so it is not contingent on the landfill host fees received this year.

NEW BUSINESS

Elk County Commissioners have approved disbursement of \$7,000 each municipality for liquid fuels approved projects. A motion was made by Randy Gradizzi, seconded by Dave Mattiuz to submit the paving project for funding under this program. Motion carried.

The Elk County Fair requested the use of the bleachers from the Community Park on August 10th at the fairgrounds for the Kentucky Headhunters concert. The secretary will check with Little League and soccer to be sure they do not need them before approval is considered.

A motion was made by Randy Gradizzi, seconded by Dave Mattiuz to place the dust oil and 1B limestone out for bid. Motion carried.

The Fox Township Planning Commission reviewed the following subdivisions and recommended them for approval:

Mary Jin, Joann Bennett and Donna Kronenwetter are subdividing their property located along Rt. 948 in order to separate the existing garage from the house so that they can be sold separately. Parcel A (.6651 acres) contains the existing home, served by public water and sewer. Parcel B (1.1714 acres) contains an existing garage (formerly commercial) that has had both the public water and sewage disconnected. The buyer of the Parcel B intends to raze the existing garage and use the parcel as a lot addition to his current property. A motion was made by Randy Gradizzi, seconded by Dave Mattiuz to approve this subdivision as presented. Motion carried.

Leo Pichler is subdividing his property located off of Pichler Road. Lot 2 (1.0 acre) will be conveyed to Leo's daughter to construct a single family home. Lot 2 will be served by public water and on-lot sewage. A Form B waiver has been submitted for the residual lot (7.017 acres). A motion was made by Randy Gradizzi, seconded by Dave Mattiuz to approve this subdivision as presented. Motion carried.

The following applications were submitted for use of facilities:

- Brenda Keech, May 6, Main St. Park, birthday party
- Randy Gradizzi, June 3, Main St Park, birthday party
- American Cancer Society, June 10-11, Community Park, Relay For Life
- Linda Bankovich, June 24, Community Park, 5K race for fundraiser for scleroderma
- Tammy Pesce, June 25, Community Park, Graduation party
- Colette Mosier, July 29, Community Park, Eagle Scout Ceremony
- Doug Price, use of the batting cages at the community building for Legion ball teams, Sundays
- Dorothy Raffener, May 21, Community Building, Eagle Scout ceremony

A motion was made by Dave Mattiuz, seconded by Randy Gradizzi to approve these requests. Motion carried.

The following bills were submitted for approval for payment:

- From the General Fund, check #26605 thru check #26638 in the amount of \$62,983.71
- From the Landfill Fund, check #1797 in the amount of \$103.50
- From the Toby Water account, check #971 thru check #977 in the amount of \$23,579.02
- From the Fire Protection Fund, check #1581 in the amount of \$97.91
- From the State fund, check #3165 in the amount of \$3,486.35
- For a TOTAL of \$90,250.49

A motion was made by Mike Keller, seconded by Dave Mattiuz to approve the bills as presented. Motion carried with Keller and Mattiuz in favor. Randy Gradizzi was in favor of the motion but abstained from check #26609, #975 and check #977 to St. Marys Water, as he sits on the Board and check # 26634 to Walmart, his wife works there.

OTHER BUSINESS

Randy Gradizzi stated that he was approached about placing the batting cage up at the park in the summer. It is 15 ft. x 70 ft. Jason Forester had asked the Rec Board about it and was to contact the Township about where to place it. Little League thought about trying it this year to see how it works. They will look to see where the best place would be to set it.

Mike Keller announced that the Supervisors and Rob singer toured the Township a comprised a list of 10 properties that will be receiving letters to clean up their property. There may be more properties but these were determined as the ones that needed addressed first.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Applications are available for college students interested in working at the Park this summer. Information is available on our website, www.foxtownship.com.

An Easter Egg Hunt, sponsored by the Rec. Board and the Fire Dept. Ladies Auxiliary, will be held Sunday, April 9th at 2PM at the Community Park.

With no further business to discuss, a motion was made by Randy Gradizzi, seconded by Dave Mattiuz, to adjourn this meeting at 6:41 PM. Motion carried.

The next meeting will be held May 3, 2017 at 6 PM at the Municipal building, immediately following the public hearing.