

A Special Budget Workshop of the Fox Township Board of Supervisors was held November 2, 2016 at 5:00 PM with the regular monthly meeting immediately to follow. Those present: Mike Keller, Dave Mattiuz and Randy Gradizzi, supervisors, Kathy Dowie, secretary-treasurer, Amy Cherry and Richie Lecker, newspaper reporters, Don Ruffner, Cheryl Ruffner, Mike Kamandulis, Rick Krishart, Mike Agosti, Joann Grazioli, Dan Meier and Terry Krishart.

Chairman Keller called the meeting to order and began by reviewing the budget figures as prepared at the last budget workshop. Kathy Dowie stated that she added all the payroll figures, as well as corrected a few road maintenance supplies line items. At the point the budget was close to being in balance. A motion was made by Randy Gradizzi, seconded by Dave Mattiuz to purchase the new garbage compactor this year to free up additional budget money for 2017, as well as get the compactor operational ASAP. Motion carried. There was still money left in the 2016 budget to do this and by doing so, the 2017 budget was in balance. Any additional funds remaining from the 2016 budget will be placed in the equipment reserve fund. A motion was made by Randy Gradizzi, seconded by Dave Mattiuz to accept the 2017 budget as proposed and advertise that it is available for inspection. Motion carried. The budget will be on the December agenda for adoption.

With no other budget items to discuss, Chairman Keller proceeded with the agenda for the regular monthly meeting.

A motion was made by Dave Mattiuz, seconded by Randy Gradizzi to approve of minutes from the regular monthly meeting of October 5th and the special meeting of October 26th. Motion carried.

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

Landfill inspection reports dated 10/3 and 10/6 were received and are available for review.

A copy of the recently approved Form U applications for waste disposal at Greentree Landfill was received and is available for review.

Notice has been received that St. Marys Water has winterized their fire hydrants and can only be used for fire emergencies.

A letter has been received from the Fox Manor Board requesting the Township to plow snow at the Manor again this year. The Board took no action on this item. There was no discussion on the item.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

There was no unfinished business.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

The Fox Township Planning Commission has reviewed the following subdivision and recommended it for approval:

Joe and Katie Benini are subdividing their lot located in Centerville Estates into 2 parcels. Each parcel will be 0.42 acres and will be consolidated with the adjoining lot. The adjoining lots contain existing homes served by public water and sewage.

A motion was made by Randy Gradizzi, seconded by Mike Keller to approve this subdivision as presented. Motion carried.

Randy Gradizzi stated that he had been in conversation with Jodi Foster at Elk County Planning concerning another subdivision that she felt was recorded prior to the County reviewing the plan. She was also concerned that the deed

description did not match the subdivided parcel. Randy felt that perhaps we should ask for the deed descriptions to be submitted with subdivisions to review as well. The Board agreed to ask for deed descriptions. Kathy Dowie commented that the subdivision in question was to add a lot to a lot containing an existing home. The deed that Jodi had obtained was for the lot containing the home and not the subdivided parcel. There was no issue in that lot being transferred. She also stated that deed descriptions are often submitted with the subdivision and available for the Township Planning Commission and supervisors if they wish to review them.

A motion was made by Randy Gradizzi, seconded by Dave Mattiuz to advertise for bids for 3,000 ton 2A limestone. Motion carried.

Rob Singer would like to attend "Guidelines for Relocating Manufactured Homes," to be held November 4<sup>th</sup> in DuBois, 9 AM – Noon. No fees. A motion was made by Randy Gradizzi, seconded by Dave Mattiuz to approve this request. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Randy Gradizzi, seconded by Mike Keller to place the 1995 International dump truck for sale by bid. The truck will include the spreader and will be sold "as is." It does not have a current inspection. Motion carried.

Randy Gradizzi will contact Gary Groesch to write up a timber sale for the Toby Water property as was discussed in preparing the budget. They will target a sale to generate approximately \$40,000.

**The following bills were submitted for approval for payment:**

From the General Fund, check #26412 thru check #26447 in the amount of \$38,095.23  
From the Landfill Fund, check #1775 thru check #1779 in the amount of \$41,621.15  
From the Toby Water account, check #935 thru check #943 in the amount of \$9,082.12  
From the Fire Protection Fund, check #1563 thru check #1568 in the amount of \$1,860.37  
For a TOTAL of \$90,658.87

A motion was made by Dave Mattiuz, seconded by Mike Keller to approve the bills as present. Motion carried with Keller and Mattiuz in favor. Randy Gradizzi was in favor of the motion but abstained from check #26414 and check #943 to St. Marys Water, as he sits on the Board, check # 26446 to Walmart, his wife works there.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

Randy Gradizzi stated that there will be an opening on the Elk County Planning Commission after December 31<sup>st</sup> if anyone is interested.

Dan Meier and Mike Kamandulis' were present to file a complaint against Rob Singer in his handling of the installation of solar panels at Mr. Kamandulis' home. He presented the Board with copies of various emails between him and Rob. Meier claimed that Rob was unprofessional and did not have the knowledge to inspect solar panel systems. Rob Singer replied that his concerns on this project generated from concerns that the West Penn representative had. Mike Keller asked Rob to present his side of the situation in writing to the Board and they will review the matter.

Mark Saline asked if Boone Mt Road could be oiled all the way through next year. Randy Gradizzi replied that if the roads holds up as well as they did this year, he could oil Boone Mt. all the way through.

The Board agreed that they would do a road inspection in the spring as well.

Dave Mattiuz asked if anything were done on Squab hollow Road as was budgeted for this year. Joann Grazioli asked what the \$30,000 was spent on that was budgeted for Squab. Randy Gradizzi responded that they added 2A limestone and millings were placed near the "ski lodge." He wanted to build up the road base near the cross drain that was put in but DEP would not allow them to do so without a GP7 permit. Joann asked why they did not clean the ditches and why the road was oiled so late. Randy responded that they did clean the ditches but there is no room to make the ditch wider near her home. He also stated that they oiled later so that the oil would seal up the road before winter.

Don Ruffner asked if the road crew could install the bollards at the park. Randy replied that they would do so.

Mike Kamandulis stated that the pipe that runs under Browns Road backs up and causes water to back up in his basement. Randy Gradizzi stated that the pipe may not be in at the proper grade and may need replaced. He will get prices on this for the next meeting.

With no further business to discuss, a motion was made by Dave Mattiuz, seconded by Randy Gradizzi, to adjourn this meeting at 6:04 PM. Motion carried.

The next regular monthly meeting will be held December 7, 2016 at 6 PM at the Municipal building.