## MINUTES FOR MEETING OF AUGUST 14, 2024

The regular meeting of the Pine Grove Township Supervisors was held on Wednesday, August 14, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Hall. Supervisors present were Douglas Smith and Linda Farnsworth. Others present were Dale Trubic, Rich Barrett, Dave McJunkin and Julie Parmenter.

Douglas Smith called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm.

The meeting opened with the pledge to the flag.

Douglas Smith read over the agenda and asked if there were any comments from visitors or residents. There were no visitors' comments.

A motion was made to approve the minutes for the July 26, 2024 meeting by Linda Farnsworth. Doug Smith seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

Linda Farnsworth made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report dated August 14, 2024. Doug Smith seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

Linda Farnsworth made a motion to approve the payment of bills in the amount of \$87,366.81 for the general fund, \$41,135.14 for the sewer fund, \$6,701.62 for the sewer II fund, \$2,077.83 for the state fund; \$12,625.57 for the water fund. Also, approval for payment of any utilities that may come due before the next regular scheduled meeting. The motion was seconded by Doug Smith. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

Dave McJunkin reported on what the road crew has been doing. He advised that the following roads have been or will be oiled; Gouldtown Road, Mill Road, Egypt Hollow Road, Townline Road and Peterson Hollow Road. They have been out doing some sealing with the tar buggy. Drainage has been installed in some locations and they have been doing some mowing along the roads. He has MC-70 scheduled for later this month.

Next was an update from the fire department. Dale Trubic advised that he is still working on the hydrant issue on S Main. He has been doing some research on this hydrant to try to get replacement parts for it. There was some discussion at the last meeting regarding the fire hydrant at the corner of Race and State Streets, which is out of service. If he is able to determine that the two hydrants are the same make, he would like permission to use parts off of the Race & State Street hydrant. The Supervisor's advised him to check with the Municipal Authority on the hydrant on Race & State Streets for an update. Linda Farnsworth mentioned that the Municipal Authority will meet tomorrow evening and she will bring this up with the Water Board.

The new 2024 F-600 truck has arrived and the documents will need to be signed. The Supervisors will need to approve a representative to sign the documents for this purchase. The total cost of the cab and chassis is \$70,390.00. Linda Farnsworth made a motion to authorize Dough Smith to sign all documents relating to this purchase. Doug Smith seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

Some quotes for upfitting the new truck were received. The Supervisor's and road foreman examined the quotes. Dave noted that he would like to get more information from US Municipal on how the truck

is equipped and put together. He would like travel to the facility and talk with a representative and possibly tour the plant. The Supervisors determined that this will be tabled until a future meeting giving Dave time to research this further.

Next was some conversation regarding the invitation received from the Land Bank regarding the property located at 106 Cottage Place. On the advice of our solicitor, it was determined that there is no need for the Supervisors to attend this meeting. It was noted that since this property has already moved through Blighted Property and the RDA and is now in the hands of the Land Bank, there is no further action for the Supervisor's to take. The secretary will notify the Land Bank that the Supervisors will not be in attendance.

Rich Barrett attended to discuss the response to EMS calls. Rich advised the Supervisors that there have been some changes within the Fire Department. He informed them that they have gained a few new members but they have also lost some members. He referred to some of the dropped calls and that the Supervisors may want to consider either signing on with the City of Warren or entering into the multi municipal agreement. After some discussion on the possible costs of both scenarios, the Supervisors inquired about a possible meeting with a representative from Emergycare in relation to the multi municipal agreement. Rich Barrett will contact Emergycare and see if they can attend the September meeting.

The light for the flagpole was next on the agenda. A quote from Moonlight Electric was received for review. The Supervisor's examined the quote and decided to proceed. Doug Smith made a motion to approve the quote from Moonlight Electric for the installation of the light for the flagpole with a price of \$1,319.00. Linda Farnsworth seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

A short discussion on a possible fall clean-up day. It was determined that we should check with the garbage company on availability dates sometime in October. The secretary will see what dates are available and let them know at an upcoming meeting.

Linda brought up some complaints that she had received from residents about someone throwing miscellaneous items in the roadway to deter people from traveling too fast along Howard Road. After som deliberation on this issue it was determined that this would be a matter for the police.

Linda Farnsworth made a motion for adjournment at 8:10 PM. Doug Smith seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

Sincerely Julie Farmenter