

Black Creek Township Supervisors Regular Meeting

Thursday, June 3, 2021, at 6:00 pm

Pledge of Allegiance

The Regular Meeting of the Black Creek Township Supervisors was held on Thursday, June 3, 2021.

Attendance: Roll Call: Davis, Present; Rohrbach, Present; Adams, Absent. __

Public Comment on Agenda Items: None

Minutes:

Chairwoman Rohrbach asked ask if there are any additions or corrections to the May Meeting Minutes: None mentioned.

A *motion* by: Chairwoman Rohrbach, seconded by: Supervisor Davis, to accept the minutes of the Regular Meeting, as presented. All in favor.

Financial Report:

The treasurer read April's Financial Report

BB&T General Fund:	\$307,945.59
PLGIT PRIME Savings:	82,643.22
<u>PLGIT Checking/Liq. Fuels:</u>	<u>\$112,345.64</u>
Total Funds:	\$502,934.45

<u>PLGIT Alumni Assoc.:</u>	<u>\$ 5,449.83</u>
<u>Total Funds:</u>	<u>\$508,384.28</u>

A *motion* by: Supervisor Rohrbach, seconded by: Supervisor Davis, to approve the financial report. All in favor.

Bills:

A *motion* by: Supervisor Rohrbach, seconded by: Supervisor Davis, to approve the bills as presented and to pay any and all bills, in all funds, that become due before the next regular meeting.

Roll Call Vote: Davis: Yes, Rohrbach: Yes.

Correspondence from Tarah Toohil:

- Moving forward on Constitutional House Resolution Amendment (HR106).
- Bureau of Election Audits, Post-election Audits, to be performed under the State Auditor General.

Reports:

Zoning Report: Zoning/Codes Officer Sonny, from Larry C. Frace Inspections LLC, recapped the past month's zoning information: 3 UCC Permits were issued (2 of those were in Eagle Rock), 2 Zoning Permits (1-pool, 1-shed) were issued, and 4 Violations were issued. Some violations are being addressed, but some people wait until monetary value is associated with their violation(s), before addressing their issues.

Fire Company, Chief Joe Lescowitch: No report provided.

Emergency Management: Chairwoman Rohrbach read Steve Motil's Emergency Management report, stating that the Grant awarding \$1,500.00 to the Firehouse has been finalized. The check will be coming directly to the Municipal Building, and will then be sent to the Firehouse.

Engineer Jason Snyder's Report: - Dirt and Gravel Low Volume Road Grant information in "New Business."

Roadmaster Report: The roadmaster report was reviewed by Chairwoman Rohrbach.

Old Business:

- A motion was made by Supervisor Davis to adopt the proposed 2nd Amendment Sanctuary Resolution. There was no second to this motion; therefore, a vote did not take place.

New Business:

- The Dirt & Gravel Low Volume Road Grant for Chicks Lane** was discussed. There will be 2 phases to this project:
 - Phase I** – includes ditch repairs, base, road banks, stabilization, and general stormwater improvements. The Grant amount would be \$233,000.00, plus the Township's contribution of \$150,000.00, for a total of approximately \$383,000.00.
 - Phase II** – includes pavement of that road. The Grant amount for this Phase would be \$150,000.00, plus the Township's contribution of \$280,000.00, for an approximate total of \$430,000.00 for this part of the project.
- The Dirt & Gravel Low Volume Road Grant for the Park Street Box Culvert**, which is funded by Trout Unlimited. The Grant amount for this project would be \$120,000.00, with the Township's contribution being \$74,000.00, for an approximate project total of \$194,000.00.
- Street Sweeping:**

Supervisor Rohrbach stated that Conyngham is short one road crew member, and will not be able to help us with street sweeping this year. So, we are renting a street sweeper from Bortek Industries. It should cost approximately \$4,000.00, with transportation to and from our facility included. We should be able to rent this equipment sometime around June 13th.

- **Right to Know Officer:** Since the last Right to Know Officer was the office manager who is no longer with us,

A **motion** by: Supervisor Rohrbach, seconded by: Supervisor Davis to appoint Fran Villano as the Right to Know Officer.
All in favor.

- **Full Time Road Crew Member:** We have been looking for and interviewing candidates for another full time Road Crew worker for sometime and have found an appropriate candidate.

A **motion** by: Supervisor Rohrbach, seconded by: Supervisor Davis to hire Michael Petock, at a rate of \$17.50 per hour, as a full time Road Crew member. He will have to acquire his CDL license by October 22nd.
All in favor.

- **Tolotti/Demshock Subdivision:** The plans for this Subdivision were reviewed by the Planning Commission this past Tuesday, and it has been recommended to the Supervisors, that we approve the plans. All of the corrections that were recommended by the Engineer have been addressed, and completed. However, the responsible parties who have brought these plans to us for review, have not signed the plans, nor have they had the plans notarized. They will have to pick up the plans, to complete this part of the process, and then the Planning Commission will complete their part of the process, by approving and signing off on the Plans.

A **motion** by: Supervisor Rohrbach, seconded by: Supervisor Davis to approve the Subdivision Plans for the Tolotti/Demshock Subdivision.
All in favor.

- **Pennsylvania Municipal Retirement System, Proposed Ordinance,** advertised in the Standard Speaker on 05/21/2021, amending our Non-Uniform Pension Plan Pursuant to Article IV.

A **motion** by: Supervisor Rohrbach, seconded by: Supervisor Davis, to approve the adoption of the Ordinance amending the Township's pension plan, pursuant to Article IV, in accordance with our pension plan.
All in favor.

- **Berkheimer, Proposed Resolution;** authorization to include Supervisor Davis, and Municipal Secretary Fran Villano, on Berkheimer's list of authorized users.

A **motion** by: Supervisor Rohrbach, seconded by: Supervisor Davis, to add Supervisor Davis and Fran Villano to the Berkheimer's authorized users list.
All in favor.

- **Nuremberg-Weston Volunteer Fire Company's Workers Compensation Resolution;** In addition to our own Workers Compensation, Black Creek Township pays the Workers Compensation for the Fire Company. Also, since the Fire Company covers North Union Township in Schuylkill County, 100%, Black Creek Township pays the entire Workers Compensation bill (\$9,934.00) for both our Township (\$5,735.00) and North Union Township (\$4,199.00), and then we bill them for their part. The cost for each township is based on the population.

A **motion** by: Supervisor Rohrbach, seconded by: Supervisor Davis, to adopt the Resolution to pay the Workers Compensation invoice, then bill North Union Township's part to them, and assume the cost of the Workers Compensation for the participating members at the Nuremberg-Weston Volunteer Fire Company.
All in favor.

A **motion** by: Supervisor Rohrbach, seconded by: Supervisor Davis to cancel the next **Work Session**, scheduled for Wednesday (the 3rd Wednesday of the month), June 16, 2021,
All in favor. _____

- Review Public Comment from last meeting: None

Public Comment: The floor was opened up for public comment.

Donna Lupcho asked about the **Weston Grant**; the one that the survey was done for, last year. The Township was told that it did qualify, but that it could take until August to find out any of the particulars. The Township asked if we could spend the money next year, since it is better to plan for the spending of the funds, and was told that even though they frown upon waiting to use the money, that it would be acceptable to do so.

Wayne Bruger, of 217 Hazle Street, in Nuremberg wanted to know if there was any word from the Conyngham Ambulance Association regarding membership mailouts. The Ambulance Corp. has assured the Township that all residents would be covered, as if they had subscriptions, but Mr. Berger says that one year he was not billed, and a member of his family required an ambulance, and he had to pay \$1,000.00. After a discussion, it was decided that the Township would try to get, in writing, an assurance that our residents will be covered, even though they have received no mailer/invoice for yearly services. The Township gave all residents names, addresses, etc. (which we received from the tax collector) to the Conyngham Ambulance Association in February of 2020.

Adjournment:

A **motion** by: Supervisor Rohrbach, seconded by: Supervisor Davis, to adjourn the meeting at: 6:50 p.m.

All reports and correspondence covered during this regular meeting are available for review at the front table. If you would like a copy, one can be supplied, after the conclusion of the meeting.