

Connoquenessing Township's Supervisors Meeting was called to order by Chairman Terry Steinheiser at 6:00 p.m. on December 2, 2020 at the Connoquenessing Township Municipal Building. Present were Supervisors Terry Steinheiser, Ed Rupert and Ricky Kradel. Also attending was solicitor Andrew Menchyk, Jr., and Secretary/Asst. Treasurer Brenda Davis was present to take the minutes. Engineer Bill Braun and Treasurer/Asst. Secretary Lee Kradel did not attend. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance and Prayer. Four people signed in on the public sign in record on file.

REVIEW MINUTES

Reviewed minutes of November 4, 2020. Rupert motioned to accept the minutes of November 4, 2020. Kradel seconded. Roll call, yes.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Brenda Davis reported the beginning balance in the General Fund is \$220,880.04 but after deposits of \$101,795.61 and checks in the amount of \$68,050.25 are approved tonight the ending balance will be \$254,625.40. Brenda Davis stated the Escrow account beginning balance is \$25,691.07 but after deposits of \$950.00 and checks in the amount of \$800.00 are approved tonight, the ending balance is \$25,841.07. Brenda Davis said the Liquid Fuels account had no activity and remained with a balance of \$47,751.90. Brenda Davis stated the Act 13 Impact Fee fund had no activity and remained with a balance of \$402,987.58. Brenda stated the Act 13 CD remained at \$526,470.37 for a grand total of \$929,457.95. Kradel motioned to approve the financial report and pay the bills. Rupert seconded. Roll call, yes.

COMMENT PERIOD - three minute limit pertaining to agenda

NONE

REQUEST TO BE HEARD - three minute limit

Michael Kopera was on the agenda but did not attend.

Matt McConnell from the Connoquenessing Volunteer Fire Company was present and stated he is still awaiting an answer on whether the Township is going to increase the fire tax? Steinheiser stated nothing has been decided yet but the 2021 budget will be adopted at the December 29, 2020 close of business meeting. Steinheiser told Mr. McConnell that the proposed budget is displayed if he would like to review. Rupert stated the budget does not include a fire millage increase, however the Township has used other avenues to give to the Fire Company. McConnell asked Mr. Rupert if a motion could be made to increase the fire millage? Rupert stated he was not making that motion because the board is funding differently. Steinheiser told Mr. McConnell to review the budget and feels he will be satisfied. Mr. McConnell questioned whether this other avenue will be considered guaranteed income that they need to get a loan? Rupert said, "yes" and all the details will be motioned after the budget is adopted.

OLD BUSINESS

NONE

NEW BUSINESS

NONE

PLANS

NONE

ENGINEER REPORT

NONE

SOLICITOR REPORT

NONE

CODE ENFORCEMENT REPORT

Rupert motioned to approve invoice for November 2020 in the amount of \$164.91. Kradel seconded. Roll call, yes. Report in packets.

ROAD MASTERS REPORT

Kradel stated the road crew:

1. replaced a culvert on E. Ragan Rd.
2. put drainage pipes in by the bridge on Whitestown Rd. to stop the road corrosion
3. has been mowing, cutting brush and blowing leaves out the ditches to prepare for winter
4. salt has come in and is mixed at a 50/50 ratio with anti-skid this year
5. has set up all the trucks for snow
6. replaced hydraulic pump on the John Deere backhoe
7. replaced bearings on the brushcutter.

Road superintendent report for November 2020 in packets.

BUILDING PERMIT REPORT

Steinheiser stated there was one permit applied for this month. It was:
55-20 - Robert Tekac - Eagle Mill Rd. - shed - 11/4/20

TAX COLLECTOR REPORT

Kradel motioned to approve invoice for postage expenses in the amount of \$162.20. Rupert seconded. Roll call, yes.

SEO REPORT

NONE

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR REPORT

NONE

MOTIONS & GENERAL INFORMATION

Rupert motioned to refund sign escrow for Marci Mustello in the amount of \$50.00. Kradel seconded. Roll call, yes.

Steinheiser said the below, which was on the agenda, is for information:

Close of Business meeting has been set for December 29, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

Elected auditors have set to meet on January 5, 2021 at 1:00 p.m.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Kradel motioned to adjourn at 6:10 p.m. to an executive session to discuss litigation issues. Rupert seconded. Roll call, yes.