

**MINUTES OF MEETING OF  
TYRONE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
ADAMS COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA  
April 7, 2021**

The Board of Supervisors Meeting for Wednesday, April 7, 2021 was conducted telephonically.

**Members Present:** Chairman Russ Raub, Vice Chairman Mary Ellen Settle, Supervisor Dean Wonders, Assistant Secretary Sydney McFadden, Township Engineer Erik Vranich, NAREMA Delegate Joshua Fitting

**Others in Attendance:** David Richwine, Stephen Madonna – Verizon Business Group, Dan Diviney

**Call to Order:** Raub called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

**Approval of Board of Supervisors Meeting Minutes:**

Wonders made a motion to approve the minutes for the March 17, 2021 Board of Supervisors meeting with the correction. Settle seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the motion carried unanimously.

**Approval and Payment of Accounts Payable Invoices:**

Wonders made a motion to approve payment of the Accounts Payable Invoices. Settle seconded the motion. Wonders had one point of discussion: the holding of the external auditor check until the audit is completed. A vote was taken and the motion carried unanimously. Raub clarified that our external auditor has audited our financial books and completed a draft audit thus far. The Township began sending its financial books to the external auditor for the completion of this audit in November 2020, and will not pay for the audit until it is completed.

**Public Comments on Board of Supervisors Meeting Agenda:** None

**Organizational Announcements:** None

**Old Business:**

**Emergency Operations Center:**

NAREMA Delegate Fitting reviewed details and images of the two mobile Emergency Operations Centers (EOC) for the Board to choose between to meet the EOC requirements designated by NAREMA. Raub requested that McFadden place this matter on the April 21<sup>st</sup> Board of Supervisors Meeting Agenda under Old Business as the Township awaits additional information from NAREMA Delegate Fitting.

**Replacement of Interior Emergency Lighting:**

There is not an update on this matter, as responses to the Township's requests continue to be sparse.

**New Business:**

**American Rescue Plan Act:**

On March 11, 2021, President Biden signed a \$1.9 trillion federal coronavirus relief package, known as the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, into law. The package will provide \$360 billion for state and local governments with \$13.722 billion coming to Pennsylvania. The commonwealth will receive \$7.5 billion (including a \$279 million set aside for capital projects), counties will receive \$2.8 billion, and municipalities with populations of more than 50,000 (entitlement communities) will receive \$2.3 billion. In addition, municipalities in Pennsylvania with a population of less than 50,000 (non-entitlement communities), nearly including all townships, boroughs, and small cities will split \$936 million based on population (while Philadelphia alone will receive more than \$1.3 billion).

The Federal funding support for Tyrone Township is estimated to be \$231,153, which will be disbursed in a first and second payment, the first half expected to be disbursed in early July 2021. The second half of the funding is said to be disbursed next year. None of this funding may be used for roads or bridges, and is said to be used by mid-2024. More guidelines have yet to be released by the U.S. Treasury.

**Stephen Madonna, Verizon Business Group:**

Mr. Madonna reviewed a potential local exchange carrier package with Verizon Business Group to replace the Township's existing one. Raub proposed to explore this service, have a Township representative with a smartphone on the Verizon network install the Verizon application on their phone to conduct the satellite readings at the Township Building, and once the readings are conducted, to follow up with Mr. Madonna.

**Workers Compensation Act Coverage Discussion:**

Wonders said that he will contact Heidlersburg Fire Department to obtain the answers to the Board's following questions for the April 21<sup>st</sup> Board of Supervisors Meeting:

1. Does Heidlersburg Fire Department have a formal safety committee or ongoing safety program in place like the Township does? If not, would they be willing to create one or participate in the Township's Safety Committee?
2. Does ACVESA still provide insurance coverage to volunteer firefighters?

Once Wonders obtains these answers and presents them before the Board, then the Board will consider passing Heidlersburg Fire Department's proposed Resolution to expand Workers Compensation coverage.

**Public Sewer Partial Payment Policy for Accounts in Collection:**

Settle made a motion to accept partial payment on sewer accounts in collection. Wonders seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the motion carried unanimously. Raub requested that McFadden draft a letter to the residents whom this new policy affects, and to share the draft with the Board for review before sending the letter.

**Sauble and Weaver Final Subdivision Plan:**

Raub made a motion to approve the Roxey K. Sauble and Gene E. Sauble and Brenda L. Weaver and Harold F. Weaver Final Subdivision Plan, as prepared by Beyond All Boundaries, Inc., without review as no improvements or changes are proposed in Tyrone Township. Wonders seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the motion carried unanimously.

**Quotes:**

Settle made a motion to award business for the Gardners Station Road Guide Rail Project to Chemung Supply Corp. Wonders seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the motion carried unanimously. Raub requested that McFadden notify Kim Kell of Chemung Supply Corp. that the Board has awarded business to her company and that her point-of-contact would be the Township Road and Facility Maintenance Manager. Raub also requested that McFadden notify the Township Treasurer that, once the Township receives the invoice from Chemung Supply Corp., it be paid with General Funds monies.

**2021 Road Improvement Projects:**

Township Engineer Vranich reviewed the 2021 Road Improvement Projects and their price quotes as coordinated by the Township Road and Facility Maintenance Manager and himself. The Board was in accord with the proposed Road Projects and their price quotes for 2021. Township Engineer Vranich said that he would keep the Township updated with the price quotes that have yet to be received.

Raub made a motion to order the 18" pipes from Core and Main. Wonders seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the motion carried unanimously.

**Meetings:**

Tyrone Township Board of Supervisors Meeting April 21, 2021 at 6:00 PM Telephonically

Tyrone Township Planning Commission Meeting May 13, 2021 at 7:00 PM at Heidlersburg Area Civic Association Fire Department, 2720 Heidlersburg Road, Gettysburg

**Public Participation:**

- Mr. Richwine clarified that there will not be a Planning Commission Meeting for the month of April. Raub confirmed this.
- Mr. Richwine inquired if the Township did anything to honor former long-time Planning Commission Member, Luther Dick, who passed away recently. Raub answered that the Township was not aware of this until now, so it did not do anything, but would have liked to if it was aware of Mr. Dick's passing sooner. Raub noted that if anyone has information such as this moving forward, to please let the Township know as soon as possible.
- Mr. Diviney inquired about the uses of the American Rescue Plan Act Funding, such as if it could be used for purposes like pandemic preparedness. Raub answered that the Township will be as creative as it is permitted to be with this funding. Mr. Diviney asked of the possible uses of any leftover funding, such as if it could be used to potentially help Adams County. Raub answered that the Township will do its best.

**Adjournment:**

Settle made a motion to adjourn at 8:58 PM and Wonders seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the motion carried unanimously.