

## MINUTES

Paint Township 1741 Basin Drive Windber, PA 15963

June 15, 2010 3:30 pm

Chairman Blough called the meeting to order and led the board in the "Pledge of Allegiance". Other board members present were Huff and Tvardzik. Also present were Attorney Matthew Moore, Township Engineers, Jeff Haynal, Steve Sesack, Chief Richard Skiles and Wendy Senior, Office Secretary. The visitor list is attached.

It was moved by Tvardzik and seconded by Huff to accept the minutes of the May 17<sup>th</sup> meeting as presented. Roll call: Blough – yes, Huff – yes, Tvardzik – yes.

The bill list was read aloud by Senior. McCracken raised several questions on the bills. The board answered them. There being no further questions it was moved by Huff and seconded by Tvardzik to pay the bills as presented. Roll call: Blough – yes, Huff – yes, Tvardzik – yes.

**POLICE REPORT:** Chief Skiles presented the activity report. There were 535 calls, out of the 535 calls 129 were for Central City Borough, 102 were for Benson Borough, and 125 were for Paint Borough. Henger held discussion with Chief Skiles regarding the police service agreement with Windber Borough. Henger wanted to know what the cost of the agreement would be to the taxpayers of Paint Township. Chief Skiles stated that it will be at no cost to the residents of Paint Township. Each municipality that Paint Township provides service to pays the entire cost for their services. General discussion continued. Chief stated that the police contracts are a benefit for each municipality. Communities need to pull resources together to help offset costs to the taxpayers. Grant funding is being cut or nonexistent. Henger asked what Windber Borough will be paying to Paint Township for police service Chief Skiles stated \$350,000.00. Chief Skiles stated that the ordinance and agreement for police services are going to be adopted at a special meeting on June 29<sup>th</sup> by both Paint Township and Windber Borough.

**ENGINEER REPORT:** At this time the board turned the meeting over to the Steve Sesack who presented to the audience an over view report of the funding process and options for the PennVEST grant along with an over view of the workings of the grinder pumps. The residents voiced their strong opposition to the project being installed with the grinder pumps. Some questions that were raised were the longevity of the grinder pumps, ownership, and maintenance and repair, electric to operate the pumps, the size and placement location of the pumps on the properties and the monthly cost of the sanitary sewer. The residents asked that the township return the PennVEST money. They (residents) stated they have no sewage problems with their on lot systems and they do not want the sanitary sewer. General discussion continued with the board and the engineers. Sesack stated that the project would be delayed approximately six months should the township decide to request a permit revision through DEP for a design change. The residents stated that was fine with them. Tvardzik asked Sabo if he researched the life expectancy on the type of grinder pump that will be installed on the project. Sabo stated the life expectancy was 20 years. Tvardzik called on County Commissioner John Vatauvuk for his input on the project. Vatauvuk stated that the project would be delayed if the township would apply for a permit revision to DEP. Haynal gave an over view of the grant process and the Act 537 plan that has met with DEP approval and the permitting process for the project. Tvardzik stated that if all it takes for the residents to sign their easements at this time was for the township to provide a letter stating that the grinder pumps will be maintained and owned by Paint Township forever the solicitor will be instructed to prepare the letters for each property owner. No action taken on the above.

**OLD BUSINESS:** It is noted that the spring materials will be purchased through the Commonwealth of PA State Costar program.

Chief Skiles informed the board that a part time officer will be leaving the department and he would like permission to hire Officer Eugene Smith. After review of Smith's employment application and references it was moved by Huff and seconded by Tvardzik to hire Officer Smith as a part time police officer. Roll call: Blough – yes, Huff – yes,

Tvardzik – yes.

**NEW BUSINESS:** It was moved by Huff and seconded by Tvardzik to approve the Ulasky subdivision. Roll call: Blough – yes, Huff – yes, Tvardzik – yes. The subdivision has met the approval of the Paint Township Planning Commission.

It was moved by Huff and seconded by Tvardzik to approve the Barnes subdivision. Roll call: Blough – yes, Huff – yes, Tvardzik – yes. The subdivision has met the approval of the Paint Township Planning Commission.

**OPEN FORUM:** The open forum was held under the Engineer Report. At this time the Board of Supervisors were presented a petition from the residents of the “Spring Hill” subdivision vigorously disagreeing with the proposed grinder pressurized sewage system within the subdivision. The petition is attached to the minutes.

The township will hold a special meeting on June 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00 pm for the purpose of continued discussion regarding the PennVEST project.

It was moved by Blough and seconded by Huff to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 4:36 pm. Roll call: Blough – yes, Huff – yes, Tvardzik – yes.

The next township meeting will be held on July 20<sup>th</sup> at 3:30 pm.

Andrew Tvardzik  
Secretary-Treasurer

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Special Meeting

June 22, 2010 7:00 pm

The purpose of the special meeting is to continue discussion on the PennVEST sewage project. Chairman Blough called the meeting to order and led the board in the "Pledge of Allegiance". Other board members present were Huff and Tvardzik. Also present were Attorney Matthew Moore, Township Engineer Jeff Haynal and a representative of the grinder pump company.

**OPEN FORUM:** At this time the board and Haynal took questions, held general discussion, and listened to the concerns and objections of the residents regarding the installation of grinder pumps as proposed for the PennVEST project. At this time the representative demonstrated the pump and answered questions. It was moved by Tvardzik and seconded by Huff to proceed with the PennVEST project as engineered. Roll call: Blough – yes, Huff – yes, Tvardzik – yes.

It was moved by Blough and seconded by Tvardzik to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm. Roll call: Blough – yes, Huff – yes, Tvardzik – yes.

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June 29, 2010 9:00 am

Special Meeting

The purpose of the special meeting is to adopt ordinance 2010-7 for police services with Windber Borough and for general purposes. Chairman Blough called the meeting to order and led the board in the "Pledge of Allegiance". Other board members present were Huff and Tvardzik. Also present Wendy Senior Office Secretary and Chief Richard Skiles. There were no visitors.

It was moved by Tvardzik and seconded by Huff to adopt ordinance 2010-7 providing for a joint municipal agreement between Paint Township and Windber Borough for Paint Township to provide police patrol, investigative and administrative services in and for the Borough of Windber beginning January 1, 2011 through January 1, 2013 at a cost of \$350,000.00 per year. Assignments in excess of the minimum required duties shall be assessed to the Borough Windber after consultation. Roll call: Blough – yes, Huff – yes, Tvardzik – yes.

The board held discussion on the additional work load that is being generated in the main office and road department. Chief Skiles commented that the work load is increasing rapidly with the day to day operations, the growth in subdivisions and planning, the road system and the current infrastructure project that is currently under way and the joint police contracts in his opinion and observation the board has to address the hiring of additional office and road department staff. Senior also expressed that the board needs to address the office personnel. Discussion continued. It was moved by Tvardzik and seconded by Huff to advertise and accept applications for office and road department staff (full time) for fiscal year 2011. Roll call: Blough – yes, Huff – yes, Tvardzik – yes. It was moved by Tvardzik and seconded by Huff to hire Brian Weaver to conduct the pressure test on the sewer lines in the municipal building in preparation for connection into the sanitary sewer and to certify Weaver as a subcontractor on behalf of the township for the maintenance of the grinder pumps, and pump stations at a cost of \$8,100.00 annually. Roll call: Blough – yes, Huff – yes, Tvardzik – yes.

It was moved by Tvardzik and seconded by Huff to approve the floor plan as prepared by Pawlawski & Haman Architects and to process the loan documents through First Commonwealth Bank for the municipal building addition. Tvardzik will be the project contact. Roll call: Blough – yes, Huff – yes, Tvardzik – yes.

It was moved by Tvardzik and seconded by Huff to approve resolution 2010-6 appropriating the right of way and easements for the purpose of the Rummel and Pomroy Corner sanitary sewer extension project providing for public sanitary sewer service to approximately 252 customers. Roll call: Blough – yes, Huff – yes, Tvardzik – yes. It is noted that the trust account has been established with First Commonwealth Bank administers of the PennVEST project. It is noted that the pension account has been moved from a savings account with minimum service fees into a checking account with no minimum service fees. The township has met with bank representatives to review all township accounts to insure all accounts are set up for the best interest return and are coded properly for collateralization. All accounts are set up and coded properly and no changes have been suggested with the exception of the above.

Chief Skiles held discussion with the board regarding police services to Scalp Level Borough. The township will prepare to advertise the police ordinance providing service to Scalp Level Borough.

It was moved by Huff and seconded by Tvardzik to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 10:45 am. Roll call: Blough – yes, Huff – yes, Tvardzik – yes.

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Secretary-Treasurer