

MINUTES

February 16, 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 Tvardzik and Huff. Also present Wendy Senior, Office Secretary, Chief Richard Skiles and Wilbert Bailey, E.M.C. The visitor list is attached.

It was moved by Tvardzik and seconded by Huff to accept the minutes of the January 4th meeting as presented. Roll call: Blough – yes, Huff – yes, Tvardzik – yes.

The bill list was read aloud by Senior. It was moved by Tvardzik and seconded by Blough to pay the bills as presented. Roll call: Blough – yes, Huff – yes, Tvardzik – yes.

POLICE REPORT: Chief Skiles presented the activity report. There were a total of 460 calls out of the 460 calls, 104 calls were for Central City Borough, 138 were for Paint Borough and 92 calls were for Benson Borough. The township received a letter of appreciation from Central City Borough for the police service provided in 2009. Chief Skiles also spoke with the Mayor of Paint Borough this date and he expressed his appreciation for the police service to date. Paint Borough will be sending to the township a list of equipment that the borough would like to sale. The township will evaluate the list of equipment at that time.

OLD BUSINESS: It was moved by Tvardzik and seconded by Huff to authorize the Windber Area Authority to collect the \$5.00 sewer maintenance fee from the township residents who reside in the Baumgardner Heights area (Fern and Bud Avenues). General discussion was held. No action was needed by the board on the general discussion. Roll call: Blough – yes, Huff – yes, Tvardzik – yes.

Action was tabled on the C.O.G. dues for 2010 in the amount of \$450.00 and the CDL registration for the road department. Additional information may become available for a cost savings.

Tvardzik stated the PennVEST funding applications will be reviewed on March 23rd. Tvardzik continues to work with the state representatives on behalf of the township.

NEW BUSINESS: Bailey reported that the emergency declaration for the winter storm of February 6-8th 2010 was signed and put into effect. The declaration was signed so that the township will be available to receive reimbursement should there be a Presidential declaration of disaster. The time frame of reimbursement is 48 hours. The township will keep open the emergency declaration. Blough and Huff reported that the residents in the Fern and Bud Avenue areas are following the townships request for on street parking for snow removal and it is working out well. The township appreciates their efforts.

The board noted the 2010 census and the importance of the residents completing the forms. The census is a determining factor on funding that is received in the area.

It was moved by Tvardzik and seconded by Huff for the supervisors to attend the annual Somerset County Convention to be held on May 6, 2010 at the Quality Inn in Somerset. Roll call: Blough – yes, Huff – yes, Tvardzik – yes.

OPEN FORUM: Henger held discussion regarding the importance of the completing the census. No action needed by the board. McCracken requested that the board change the time of the meetings to later in the day. Tvardzik stated the township may look at that at a later time. No action needed by the board.

Chief Skiles thanked the board for the use of the conference room for the annual police updates. Approximately 40 officers attended the two day classes from neighboring counties and police departments and it worked out very well. Chief Skiles held general discussion with McCracken on what the updates are. No action needed by the board.

It was moved by Tvardzik and seconded by Blough to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 4:00 pm. Roll call: Blough – yes, Huff – yes, Tvardzik – yes. The next township meeting will be held on March 16th at 3:30 pm.

Andrew Tvardzik
Secretary-Treasurer