

Lewis Township Supervisors  
Regular Monthly Meeting  
April 5, 2017

The Lewis Township Regular Monthly Meeting was called to order by Chairman Willard Murray at 7:01 P.M. at the Lewis Township building. Those also present were Supervisor Duane M. Blakeney, Solicitor Benjamin Landon, Secretary/Treasurer Lucinda R. Bomberger and 9 guests.

A motion was made by, Duane M. Blakeney, seconded by Willard Murray and passed to approve meeting minutes from the March 1, 2017 Supervisors Regular Monthly Meeting as written.

A motion was made by Duane M. Blakeney, seconded by Willard Murray and passed to approve the March 2017 Financial Reports.

**Public Comment on Agenda Items**

No Comments

**Township Reports**

***Supervisors/Roadmaster***

Roadmaster Willard Murray reported on various things the road crew is working on which includes completion of the rebuilding of a trailer to be used for transporting lawn tractors for mowing at the plants and for hauling drain pipe to work sites, filling pot holes, snow removal and other road work and finishing of the office kitchen.

***Treatment Plant Operator***

Eric Moore, West Branch Regional Authority, attended the meeting and reported that operations are going well at the plants. The Chapter 94 Report was submitted on time. One issue that came up during the process of preparation of the report was discovery of the pumps at the pump station being undersized for the current force main and could be causing premature wear and tear of the pumps. Josh and Jeff will pull the pumps to inspect them and determine whether they are undersized. Eric also reported regarding communication with Erin Threet, HRG, about the additional sewer alternative to be included in 537 planning and that they are on the same page. Erin will be presenting the alternative to the school board at their meeting on April 11.

**Old Business**

A motion was made by Willard Murray, seconded by Duane M. Blakeney and passed to award New Enterprise Stone & Lime Co. the Aggregate Bid totaling \$377,015.00.

Cost of Aggregate Delivered:

2A Subbase	\$13.87	#10 Screenings, Washed	NB
1B #8 Stone, Washed	\$22.67	Type B Sand	\$13.07
1B #8 Stone, Unwashed	\$20.07	AS2 Anti-Skid	\$17.57
2B #57 Stone	\$16.07	Rip-Rap	\$20.67
#3 Stone	\$16.07	Gabion	\$16.77
4 Stone #1	\$16.86	DSA(Gray Limestone)	\$18.57

There were no bids submitted for Diesel Fuel or regular gasoline. It is the desire of the Supervisors to continue with current supplier, Superior Plus Energy.

A motion was made by Willard Murray, seconded by Duane M. Blakeney to table approval of the Turbotville Landscape Supply Land Development Plan.

The Planning Commission continues to discuss possible recommendations for amendment to the Zoning Ordinance and plan to possibly present the recommendations to the Supervisors in June\_July 2017.

Solicitor Ben Landon and Secretary Lucinda R. Bomberger are working on an exoneration policy for approval at the May meeting.

Discussion was held regarding recycling. After the decision to discontinue recycling due to costs and that decision resulting in many phone calls to the township and surrounding townships, a cooperation of the surrounding municipalities has been discussed. Currently Delaware Township and Turbotville Borough are in support of the cooperation. Watsontown Borough will be making a decision on April 10, 2017 and McEwensville Borough was also approached and were to discuss at their meeting. After confirmation from Watsontown on their decision the township will make an official decision whether to continue or not and if so how that operation will work.

A draft logging ordinance was prepared by the Solicitor for the Supervisors review. A decision will need to be made on the roads to be applicable to the ordinance and the Township Engineer will need to conduct a study.

A motion was made by Duane M. Blakeney, seconded by Willard Murray and passed to authorize advertisement for bids for a roller.

Lee Beiber asked about the cost of renting vs. purchasing a roller. Brief discussion was held regarding the costs and scenarios of when a roller is needed for particular roadwork and that the current roller is not sufficient for the work needed.

#### **New Business**

A motion was made by Duane M. Blakeney, seconded by Willard Murray and passed to approve the Levi B. & Nancy L. Detweiler Final Minor Subdivision.

Lewis Township's Tar and Chip Project will be bid along with Delaware Township and Greg Township this year. Roads to be included in that project are Plotts, Keefertown and Miller/Balliet.

A motion was made Willard Murray, seconded by Duane M. Blakeney and passed to authorize payment of bills for April 2017.

#### **Public Comment**

Pat Betz requested for the Township to roll the ball fields at the Frantz and Moser Complex for the upcoming season and would like it to be completed as soon as possible. Supervisor Murray granted the request. Pat also inquired about the possibility to repair the road at the entrance of the complex. Supervisor Murray said he would take a look at it.

Duane M. Blakeney mentioned the CVST Project Plans and Information hanging on the bulletin board for anyone interested.

A motion was made by Willard Murray, seconded by Duane M. Blakeney and passed to adjourn the meeting at 7:51 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lucinda R. Bomberger  
Lewis Township Secretary