

Perry Township
August 13, 2024

Call to order at 3:00 pm. by Chairman Ronald Howard followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Board members present were Frank Basile and Tom Brookover with secretary Chris Jarrell.

Public in Attendance: Chuck Obrad, Mark Kesler, Dave Reese and GCRP Chief William DeForte.

Public Comments: (all comments are limited to no more than 5 minutes per person; persons requested to be on the agenda will be recognized first). Dave Reese has requested to address the board on several subjects. Mr. Reese questioned the status of the Legion property. Chairman Howard explained that he is not in favor of giving away the land for free. Mepco had made a deal with the Township to blacktop Watkins Run in exchange for land before they closed. The amount of tax payer money invested in the Legion field is too much to consider just giving away. Mr. Reese also questioned if the monthly meetings could be advertised on Social Media. It was agreed that most people do not read a newspaper but the state mandates that the meetings are advertised at the beginning of the year. Mr. Reese also questioned the police presence with the current arrest attempts on Dunkard Avenue. Chief DeForte responded explaining that due to budgets, GCRP only has 32 hours in Perry Township. He does try to have someone here as much as possible but evening hours are hard. He will try his best to switch up the times and hopefully have some evening hours. Chief DeForte appreciates the support he has received from the residents of the town. Mr. Reese also questioned what we can do to try to get a Dollar General. It was explained that Dollar General was planning a location here. They had done all the work and were ready to break ground when some residents filed a lawsuit regarding paper alleys and Dollar General walked away. The Township would love to see one or a grocery store of some type. We are constantly looking for property or an opportunity for a store as it would benefit the whole town.

Mark Kesler thanked the board for the Community Center. He reported that it is doing well and gaining people. Colleen Nelson is writing a newspaper article about the Center.

Chuck Obrad questioned light up speed signs that are in Rogersville, PA. Mr. Obrad inquired if that is something we could check in to. Supervisor Basile stated he will make some calls and see if that is something the Township could do or if that is PennDot.

Old Business: None.

New Business:

Motion is needed to approve minutes of the July 9, 2024 meeting. Motion by Tom Brookover seconded by Frank Basile. Vote: Motion approved.

A motion is needed to approve the Treasurers report and pay the bills: General Fund & Special funds: \$35,066.32. Payroll: \$26,472.69. Motion made by Frank Basile seconded by Tom Brookover. Vote: Motion approved.

Code Enforcement Officer Report was read and accepted.

Motion to approve the Mt. Morris Volunteer Fire Department Annual Car Show application to be held on Sunday, September 15, 2024. Motion to approve by Frank Basile second by Tom Brookover. Vote: Motion approved.

A lot split application was presented by Ronald Howard. Being that Mr. Howard is the Chairman, he signed the application along with the other two supervisors and will abstain from voting to approve it. Motion to approve by Tom Brookover second by Frank Basile. Vote: Motion approved.

Trumco Forest Products presented a Heavy Haul Application for 1.9 miles of Little Shannon Run Road. Application is complete and fees and escrow are attached. Motion to approve Trumco Forest by Frank Basile second by Tom Brookover. Vote: Motion approved.

Resolution 1-2024, Perry Township Fee Schedule needs to be approved. Motion by Tom Brookover second by Frank Basile. Vote: Motion approved.

Resolution 2-24 Code Enforcement Fee Schedule to be approved. Motion by Frank Basile second by Tom Brookover. Vote: Motion approved.

Motion to adjourn by Tom Brookover at 3:32 pm second by Frank Basile. Vote: Motion approved.

Respectfully submitted:

Ronald N. Howard, Chairman

Christine K. Jarrell, Sec/Treasurer

