

# Mahoning Township

## Board of Township Supervisors

*Mahoning Township...First Township in Lawrence County...Organized in 1805*

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Jean Greco – Secretary/Treasurer

### MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING ON MAY 09, 2023

The Mahoning Township Supervisors held their regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, May 9, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. in the meeting room of the Mahoning Township building located at 4583 West State Street, Edinburg, PA 16116.

Chairman Vito Yeropoli asked everyone present to recite the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

**ROLL CALL** was taken by Jean Greco, Secretary/Treasurer. Members present were: Gary Pezzuolo, Mark Sackin, and Vito Yeropoli. Also, present were Solicitor Lou Perrotta, Engineer Gregg DelPrincipe, and Police Officer Cunningham.

Yeropoli asked for any guest speakers. Resident Virginia Phillips thanked the supervisors as a whole for a job well done. She noted more could be done if the township had more funds available. She asked if/when Evergreen Road might be paved. Pezzuolo noted that River Road near Mrs. Phillips' home is going to be paved. It was noted that opportunity for paving Evergreen was passed up because residents would not complete the necessary income information for a county grant for low income areas. Sackin noted his crew are currently patching on Erskine Quarry and Butch, then moving onto Ambrosia and then Evergreen.

Resident Susan Buchanan asked about the \$5/\$10 per license registration if this was the money in reference. Vito responded yes. Gregg added the second grant application is due by the end of June. Buchanan further asked who decides where funding is approved? Yeropoli replied the Commissioners with both agreeing to talk with the Commissioners. Gregg noted that with grant funds, the township has to match which the township is doing with the 1<sup>st</sup> grant for \$100,00 responsibility. Buchanan further inquired to Sackin on tar and chip vs. paving. Sackin noted the road conditions needs to be more solid to tar and chip.

Resident Lee Hampson brought up the condition of Sankey Run Road and had supplied supervisors with information and pictures prior to the meeting. He noted the road is gravel and in desperate need of materials. Mark noted the area needs to be graded, for certain. Pezzuolo agreed and Hampson pointed out a pipe is in the wrong place for proper or better drainage. He also noted the road needs crowns. Sackin stated that once the weather clears up and is drier his crew would be there to work with the grader. Hampson further stated most local roads in other townships have improved 10 fold, and questioned why not Mahoning Township roads? Sackin noted the best case is to tar and chip then pave then tart and chip then seal. Yeropoli noted having to take monies from other departments to put into the roads. Most townships close to ours do not have the police and the people want the police presence also. The paving budget is \$150,000.

Yeropoli made a motion to **ADOPT THE MINUTES** of the April 11, 2023 meeting minutes and the motion was seconded by Sackin with a vote of all in favor.

Yeropoli made a motion to **PAY THE BILLS** as prepared by Greco since the last month's meeting. The motion was seconded by Pezzuolo with a vote of all in favor.

Yeropoli made a motion to **PAY THE PAYROLLS** as prepared by Greco since the last month's meeting. The motion was seconded by Sackin with a vote of all in favor.

**TOWNSHIP REPORTS** were given as follows:

**ZONING** prepared by Greco with a report of 3 permits.

**PLANNING** – Greco noted a meeting to review the Diana subdivision which Sackin noted the lot was too small. Pezzuolo pointed out with a public sewer the lot size was within the required limit. Pezzuolo made a **MOTION for the DIANA SUBDIVISION** which was seconded by Yeropoli and a vote of all in favor. It was noted that the Dollar General proposed on Ben Franklin Highway would be submitting additional information for another meeting next month.

**FIRE DEPARTMENT** – no report

**POLICE DEPARTMENT** – given by Officer Cunningham with 92 incidents for April 2023

Yeropoli asked Greco for any **CORRESPONDENCES/ANNOUNCEMENTS** in which Greco a celebration for Mr. & Mrs. Patton as Mr. Patton turns 90 years old and they are married 66 years. Also a reminder of preliminary elections on May 16, 2023. Pezzuolo noted the offices will be closed on that date.

Yeropoli asked for any **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**. Nothing required discussion or action.

Yeropoli began **NEW BUSINESS** in which Gregg followed up on the County Liquid Fuels grant. Yeropoli noted to wait until speaking further with Commissioners. It was noted possibly paving for Mohawk School Road. Pezzuolo noted to advertise for bids for paving using the 1<sup>st</sup> grant monies already approved. Gregg noted he will advertise and ask for bids to be submitted at the township office by Monday, June 12 at Noon.

Request had been made for a second soccer field at the former Hillsville Elementary site. All agreed that was a good idea.

Resident Marcy Romano asked if the Main Street is still set to be closed between Hillsville and Hoffmaster. Yeropoli noted yes once school is out for the summer break. Sackin noted road closed signs and a gate will be installed.

Resident Ed Klamer questioned the location of the second Dollar General. It was noted as at the location of the former Cedar Manor.

Lastly, Ms. Buchanan again mentioned speaking up to the Commissioners and getting some much needed attention for funding. Yeropoli noted being in constant communications with them.

Yeropoli noted the **NEXT MEETING** is on Tuesday, May 9, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.

Yeropoli asked if anything further needed to be addressed by those in attendance

Yeropoli made a motion to **ADJOURN** which was seconded by Pezzuolo with a vote of all in favor. The meeting adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

*Jean M. Greco*  
*Township Secretary*