

- MINUTES
- Pittston Township
- Board of Supervisors Meeting
- June 20, 2023
- Pittston Township Municipal Building

Call Meeting To Order 7:00 PM

- Pledge of Allegiance

- Roll Call Slezak ___P___ Hawk AB___ Rinaldi ___P___

Minutes: minutes of the Supervisors regularly scheduled May 15, 2023 presented to Supervisors for their review comments and/or corrections.

Questions/Corrections -

- **Motion:** To ACCEPT minutes of May 15, 2023

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Joseph Hawk arrived late for the meeting.....

Supervisors Comments

2022 LSA Grant Award \$295,000.00 - Mr. Bonita announced that Rep. Hudock and Sen. Flynn's office contacted him about the awarding of the 2022 LSA Grant. Due to the high volume of applications received the amount awarded was somewhat lower than applied for. Mr. Bonita expressed his gratitude to Rep. Hudock and Sen. Flynn and will contact the various departments to review their requests.

Shredding Event - tentatively scheduled for October 14, 2023 - Mr. Bonita reviewed the literature received from Luzerne County Recycling Coordinator and noted that up to \$2000 of costs could be reimbursed. Ms. Taroli agreed to handle the event. Literature will be distributed via e mail and at the various Township functions.

Scholarship Recipient - Recreation Board notified the Supervisors that Morgan Hilbert, 18 N. Center St. was the recipient of the \$500 scholarship. She will enroll in Misericordia University and major in Medical Imaging.

Liquid Fuels Audit Report received the final audit report for 2021 from the Department of the Auditor General regarding the 2021 Liquid Fuels Allotment. There were no audit findings. The report will be displayed on the web page and is available for public inspection.

By-Pass Optical Preemption System

Advertised for bid on May 13 and May 17. One Bid was received from Kuharchik Construction in the amount of \$87,000. Reimbursement for this project is thru an LSA Grant.

- **Motion:** To AWARD contract for By-Pass Optical Preemption System to Kuharchik Construction, Inc.

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Phase II of Park Equipment and Renovations

Resolution 6-01 of 2023 thereby authorizing submission of Grant thru the Greenways, Trails and Recreation Program sponsored by DCED in the amount of \$209,736.50 for (a) paving parking lot (b) restoration of basketball court (c) restoration of tennis court and (d) fencing in front of Attardo Park. This is a 15% match with Twp. agreeing to commit \$40,000 for this project.

- **Motion:** To enact Resolution 6-01 of 2023 thereby authorizing submission of Grant in the amount of \$209,736.50 for (a) paving parking lot (b) restoration of basketball court (c) restoration of tennis court and (d) Fencing in front of Attardo Park. This is a 15% match with Twp. agreeing to commit \$40,000 for this project.

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Bag Refunds

Data is being compiled and in accordance with the 2023 Operating Budget a \$50 refund to property owners will be sent out shortly.

Line of Credit

An Ordinance must be enacted to apply for and secure a Line of Credit from FNCB. This Line of Credit will be used as a temporary source of funds to pay contractor progress payments on the various road projects underway in the Twp. When grant monies are reimbursed to the Twp. the money will be applied to the LOC.

- Motion to authorize Mr. Bonita to advertise an ordinance to apply for and secure a Line of Credit from FNCB.

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Financial

- **Motion:** To ratify May - June pre-paid bills in the amount \$ 181,863.31 and bills payable in the amount of \$ 95,680.91 and payroll and related expenses for payroll period ending

5/24/2023	59,725.27
6/4/2023	71,877.63

QUESTIONS/CONCERNS

Motion to approve payment of bills and unpaid bills.

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Emergency Management Report -Supervisor Hawk commented on the June Fireman's Picnic to be held at the Bryden St. location. Also mentioned was the fact that there will be a Fireman's Parade to be held on June 29 which will mark the beginning of the picnic.

He also mentioned that there was problem with the lights in the Twp. command vehicle. He was to check with the installer to see if there was a warranty. If not, he would get a price to replace.

Fire Department read into the minutes by Mr. Bonita

Incident Report - April
 May

QUESTION/CONCERNS

- Motion to approve incident report for April and May

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Ambulance Report - read into the minutes by Mr. Bonita

Monthly report for May 2023

- Motion to approve ambulance report

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Police

POLICE REPORT - submitted by Chief Angelella -

- Motion ACCEPT police report as submitted

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Supervisor Hawk commented on the amount of Magistrate fines imposed. To his knowledge this marks an all time high in fines imposed. He also commented that this figure does not represent the money which will be due the Twp. at a later date.

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Victory Sports held an pizza/dance party at the Municipal Park. Police Dept. sponsored this event. Supervisor Slezak suggested the Twp. contribute \$1000 to Victory Sports.

- Motion - to donate \$1000 to Victory Sports organization
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Road Department -

Baker Chapel

Pioneer submitted for reimbursement AIA Payment Application in the amount of \$49623.30. Contract amount of \$994,261.25 with a pending change order for widening the roadway. Reviewed by CNA Engineers and approved the reimbursement request.

- Motion - to pay the first reimbursement request from Pioneer Construction in the amount of \$49623.30
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Once paid the information will be submitted to PDOT for reimbursement. Line of Credit request to FNCB is being reviewed. Future reimbursements will be drawn temporarily from LOC.

Lincoln St.

Order to proceed has been issued. Catch Basins and material have been ordered by contractor. Order to proceed was issued and work is expected to begin on June 26, 2023

Lewis St.

Project is near completion. Expect to be finished by July 10, 2023.

Salt Shed - met with architect, Potter Architectural to discuss project and hire them to prepare drawings which will be used for bidding purposes. This project was provided for in the 2023 Operating Budget.

Recreation -

Senior Party was held on June 14, 2023 at the Municipal Park.

Park Renovations have been completed, topsoil and seeded. Waiting for one post damaged by the former contractor. Expect park to be opened by July 4, 2023.

Zoning Officer - T. Best was on vacation. His report was read by Mr. Bonita

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Engineering Report -May-June read into the minutes by Mr. Bonita

MS-4 Report - Lewis St. Project will be funded by MS-4 Grant. Mr. Bonita will research to see if any part of Lincoln St. project will qualify as the project is for installation of storm water basis, pipe, etc.

Public Comment

Ron Marcellini - has issues with Quads on public streets. He has contacted the police but has yet to see any correction of the problem.

Questioned why the Pine Tree at Attardo Park was cut down. He was advised that it was necessary due to the installation of security cameras in the newly renovated park.

Questioned the existence of the EMS tax. He felt that it was enacted when he was a Supervisor and that it was to be only temporary and should have been discontinued. Mr. Bonita discussed the need for the tax.

Adjournment:

Motion to Adjourn

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Roll Call: Slezak_Y___ Hawk ___Y__ Rinaldi _Y__