

August 15<sup>th</sup>, 2022

The Branch Township Supervisors regular monthly meeting was held on Monday August 15<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm at the Branch Township Memorial Building Llewellyn PA. In attendance was David Shultz Sr., Joseph Carvajal (Supervisors) Gino DiNicola (Solicitor), John Andruchek (Building Code Official), Sue Ellen Holley (Secretary/ Treasurer) David Bell (Planning Commission) William Kattner (Deputy Chief)

A motion to approve the July minutes was made by Supervisor Schultz, seconded by Supervisor Carvajal, the motion carried.

The current months bills were then read into the record. A motion to approve the bills was made by Supervisor Carvajal, seconded by Supervisor Schultz, the motion carried.

#### General fund

Net Payroll 7/19-8/15/22	18,721.64	PA Withholding	403.70
Federal Tax deposit	1,688.04	Federal Tax deposit	1,663.24
PA UC	44.24	Nationwide 457B	120.00
PA Withholding	389.99	Federal Tax deposit	1,416.94
Federal tax deposit	1,386.88	United States Post Office	180.00
Minersville 5 <sup>th</sup> Quarter Club	75.00	Capital One	530.48
Shawn Shoener	1,200.00	Wex Bank	1,751.63
Borough Of Minersville	1,328.81	Capital Blue Cross	7,621.36
Comcast	95.52	GFL	13,748.36
Gino DiNicola	180.00	HA Thomson	3,137.00
Hadesty's	34.16	Joseph Carvajal	20.00
Laudeman Pets Control	46.00	Minersville Auto Parts	158.44
PPL	246.32	PA One Call	1.50
Pozza Trucking	315.00	Quandel Concrete	195.00
Robert E Reedy's	598.05	SCMA	78.00
Steel & Metal Service Center	23.78	Tropp Contracting	9,000.00
United Concordia	377.57	Verizon	385.83

#### Liquid Fuels

Lowes	455.05	Fehr Supply	714.00
Miller Municipal Supply	991.70	PMG Holdings (seal master)	437.44
Pottsville Materials	5,709.88	PPL	3,357.94

#### Police expenses

Comcast	95.52	Wex Bank	745.68
Verizon	120.09		

#### Account Balances

General Fund	37,837.20	PA Invest	186,413.34
ARP	91,539.44		
Liquid Fuels	28,733.72	PA Invest	32,675.57

#### Income

Berkheimer	5.50	Berkheimer	901.72
Berkheimer	2,162.08	Berkheimer	885.28
Berkheimer	1,720.02	Berkheimer	151.54
Berkheimer	3,306.06	Comcast	5,290.40
County of Schuylkill	3,821.51	Delinquent Sanitation	5,239.00
District Justice Court	217.38	Progressive	8,109.00

Reilly Township	2,730.26	Reilly Township	684.97
Schuylkill County	9,213.47		

**Public Participation**

Shawn Schmitt wanted to know what was going on with the fire hydrant on the Dierenzo property. Solicitor DiNicola said the new owners of the property are going to continue service to the hydrant.

**Agenda**

A motion to approve Trick Or Treat night October 31<sup>st</sup> 6pm-8pm was made by Supervisor Shultz, seconded by Supervisor Carvajal, the motion carried.

The Building Code Official report was then read into the record. A motion to approve the report was made by Supervisor Carvajal, seconded by Supervisor Schultz, the motion carried. A complete report will be kept on file at the Township office.

Solicitor DiNicola reported that he had followed up with Minersville about the Memorandum of Understanding. He is still waiting for a response. He then advised the board to stay on top of the delinquent sanitation. He has also been in contact with a resident and his attorney over a property complaint. A motion to approve the report was made by Supervisor Schultz, seconded by Supervisor Carvajal, the motion carried.

The Road Master report: Township workers have been repairing roads throughout the Township including the following roads: Black Diamond, Old Llewellyn Rd & Spring St in WW Terrace. The workers have also been cleaning drains: Church Rd, Silverton Rd, Phoenix Park Rd & Brickey Rd. They have been cleaning up the walking trail and West Branch Park. The Road Master has also been in contact with Fish and Boat Commission (Joseph Underdonk) with concerns over the stream next to the walking trail after a complaint from resident Robert Keifer. The Fish and Boat Commission didn't see anything wrong with the work that had been done in the area. DEP also contacted the Roadmaster and thanked him for putting rip rap along the banks and seeding this area. A motion to approve the report was made by Supervisor Carvajal, seconded by Supervisor Schultz, the motion carried. A complete report will be kept on file at the Township office.

The Police report was then read into the record. A motion to approve the report was made by Supervisor Schultz, seconded by Supervisor Carvajal, the motion carried. A complete report will be kept on file at the Township office.

**Old Business**

Supervisor Carvajal still has questions about the Memorandum of Understanding. He wants to look into if it would be beneficial for our Township cops to patrol the school being it is located in our Township. William Kattner stated they already sit at the school. Supervisor Schultz agrees. Solicitor DiNicola will reach out to Minersville School District & the Borough regarding this matter.

Steve Rudy handed the board his delinquent sanitation letter and asked for forgiveness. After a lengthy discussion Solicitor DiNicola advised the Board not to take any action at this time.

Meeting adjourned 6:27pm

Respectfully submitted by  
Sue Ellen Holley  
Secretary/ Treasurer