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Supervisors

The monthly meeting of the Jefferson Township Board of Supervisors was called to order by Mr. Falkner on September 9th, 2019<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 pm at the Jefferson Township Building, 7407 Lamor Rd, Mercer, PA 16137.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and Roll Call was taken. In attendance were Supervisors Garth Falkner, William Dunn, and Secretary Linda Adams. and John Burkett.

A motion was made by Mr. Dunn to approve the minutes from the August 12<sup>th</sup>, 2019 Supervisor's Meeting. Seconded by Mr. Falkner. . Motion passed with 3 yes votes.

Motion was made by Mr. Dunn, seconded by Mr. Burkett to pay the following payables:

General Fund

\$26,752.88

Sewer

174.64

Parks & Recreation

.00

State Liquid Fuels

\$ 2,016.39

Motion passed with 3 yes votes.

A motion was made by Mr. Dunn to approve the reconciliations on all accounts for the month of August 2019. Seconded by Mr. Falkner. Motion passed with 3 yes votes

# Public Comment Period:

Diane Dawson, Treasurer of the Mercer Area Library, presented the library's Budget Report.

Bruce Horick of 529 Charleston Road spoke to the board about the property at 573 Charleston Road which he states has a sewage issue, rats, dead animals and deer kill out of season. Mr. Falkner advised Mr. Horick that he had been in touch with Pat Kelly the Sewage Authority and he should be assessing the situation in the next few weeks. Mr. Horick asked why a dye test was not done the last time the property was reported. Mr. Falkner informed that he would call Pat Kelly on August 10<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Horick stated that the situation needed to be resolved. He advised that he had been in contact with Tomisa of the DEP. Who advised him that if it was not handled at the township level the DEP would then step in. In regards to the dead animals, the owner did comply with the Animal Control to enable retention of live animals. Mr. Dunn asked if Animal Control would cover rat problem. Mr. Falkner is to call Animal Control tomorrow. August 10<sup>th</sup>, 2019.

### Correspondence:

Mercer County Conservation District information on application for Dirt, Gravel and Low Volume Road Grants discussed by the board. Board decided not to apply at this time as they are not contributing in-kind labor.

Charter Communications letters on upcoming channel changes and changes in rates were read by Mr. Falkner.

PSATS Unemployment Compensation Group Trust – new rate for 2020 lowered from 3.5% to 1.8% read by Mr. Falkner.

Jefferson Township Planning and Zoning Notice of Hearing on September 26<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 7 p.m. for appeal by Mr. James Aiken read by Mr. Falkner.

# Administrative Actions:

The board presented to Madeline Jewell a Certificate of Appreciation in recognition of her valuable contribution for her Girl Scout Silver Award Recycling Program during the fair.

Motion made by Mr. Dunn to approved the refund of overpayment in the Real Estate Taxes to Property owner Ronald and Donna Marcella. Seconded by Mr. Falkner. Motion passed with 3 yes votes.

Mr. Dunn made a motion to accept the following additions and exonerations for the 2019 tax duplicate:

Real Estate Additions	1	\$ 38.67
Real Estate Exons	1	\$ 38.67
Per Capita Exons	30	\$150.00
Per Capita Additions	2	\$ 10.00

Motion seconded by Mr. Falkner. Motion passed with 3 yes votes.

### Staff Reports:

- <u>Police Department</u> Reports of August 2019 read by Mr. Falkner.
- Fire Department Reports of August 2019 read by Mr. Falkner..
- Parks and Recreation None.
- Road Report –

Mr. Burkett advised that N. Hassel Road seal coat has been completed. Residents are pleased. Mowing agility work continues as does ditching and culvert replacement.

- Sewer Report
  - Mr. Dunn advised that 2 residential pumps failed and were replaced. Preventative maintenance on the pump stations was discussed and it was decided that the pump tanks would be pumped and flushed out in the spring and fall of each year.

## **Unfinished Business:**

## New Business:

The board was advised that the ball field will be used September 29th, 2019 by XPO Logistics.

In response to Mrs. McWillam's question, the board stated that the fair board can use the ball field during the fair.

The board was advised that the Fair Board would be holding Bingo the first Saturday of each month from October 2019 thru March 2020.

Meetings: Read by Mr. Falkner.

Adjournment: Motion by Mr. Falkner to adjourn at 7:30 p.m., seconded by Mr. Dunn. Adjourned.

MINUTES September 9th, 2019

Approved by: Garth Falkner, Chairman