

**TOWAMENSING TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING**  
**TOWAMENSING TOWNSHIP BUILDING**  
**Meeting Minutes (abridged version)**  
**June 6, 2019 7:00 P.M.**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION 6:30 P.M.**

**CALL TO ORDER**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**ROLL CALL**

**Penny Kleintop**, Chairperson/Treasurer; **Guy Seifert**, Vice-Chairman; **William Acierno**, Supervisor; **Thomas Nanovic**, Solicitor; **Kim Acierno**, Secretary ; **Carl Faust**, Zoning Officer; **Greg Haas**, Engineer.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Towamensing Township Meeting Minutes May 2, 2019 Board of Supervisors Meeting: Guy Motioned, William 2<sup>nd</sup>, AIF

Bill List and Payroll from May 2019: Guy Motioned, William 2<sup>nd</sup>, AIF

Treasurer's Report for May 2019: William Motioned, Guy 2<sup>nd</sup>, AIF

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - 5 MINUTE LIMIT:** Please sign in if you would like to address the Board.

Karl Verren: Updated Proposal from Ecco Communications in the amount of \$2037.00. This doesn't include Base Station and Wire.

Motion to accept proposal of \$2037.00 with maximum of \$500.00 balance left to complete project. Guy motioned, 2<sup>nd</sup> William, AIF

Michael and Crystal Fink have two things. 1<sup>st</sup> questioned about Yard sales. Neighbor Tom Jenkins has had 5 yard sales this year already. Board asked that they give the Township 30 days to take care of this, it's being worked on. Crystal stated parking is up and down Stable road and Interchange Road. Feel their property level is down because of the junk that Jenkins has and is selling. They might be selling their property which brings up Mr. and Mrs. Fink also stated their displeasure with zoning and planning. Mr. Nanovic said that the board would not handle that because it was a matter for the Planning and Zoning Hearing board. The questioning continued and is too lengthy to list. There is an addendum for these minutes with the discussion on record in the township office available to interested residents.

Mark Althouse is also a neighbor to Tom Jenkins and would like to see something done about the Yard Sales. Too many accidents and close calls because of people stopping and parking on 209. He has gone to the Police and the Police send him to the Township. Jenkins bring in Garbage from other people, to sell. Township is doing what we can to stop it, just give them 30 days.

## **PLANS AND SUBDIVISIONS:**

Meisenhelder: Time extension till July 31, 2019: Guy Motioned, William 2<sup>nd</sup>, AIF.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

Ag Security – Two Properties – Roger George has 58 acres and Matias Bullrich 10.84. Letters to be sent to Land owners to take to Recorder of Deeds. Application was given out to resident that has 50 acres looking to place in Ag. Security also. Mr. Wasilkowski questioned if this was the same Mr. Bullrich that is suing 5 land owners on Pine Lane which is his access road to this land. Roy Christman explained the Ag Security is a program for farmers so they can't be sued for normal agricultural use like spreading manure during normal hours but not at midnight, which would be a nuisance abuse.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

Spotted Lanternfly- Louise M. Bugbee – Discussed during Public Participation. Correction to Last Year's Release form, needs new signatures. Will need to be filled out and returned. Once all Release forms are Organized, treatment can be started. Traffic from 209 and 248 coming into and out of area is what is moving the Lanternfly. They can't fly far, so people are moving them around. Residents can have treatment done, at no charge.

Proposal from ECCO Communications, LLC. – Discussed during Public Participation. Proposal doesn't include Wire or Antenna. Guy Motioned, William 2<sup>nd</sup>. AIF

Resolution in Supporting a fair method of redistricting – Roy Christman is asking the Township to Pass a Resolution saying we support a fair method of redistricting. Pennsylvania is Democracy and third worse in states for Gerrymandering. So far Carbon County Commissioners and Summit Hill have passed the Resolution and is hoping others will also. – will be reviewed.

## **HISTORICAL COMMISSION:**

Member to report: Marybeth Beers and Roy Christman were in attendance. Marybeth and Jack Branch went to Bethlehem about the Historical Marker for the Reservoir. She asked that Roy explain the procedure. The Historical Commission is working with The Bethlehem Water Authority to try to get Historical Marking at Reservoir. This would be 1<sup>st</sup> marker for the Township but 9 in the County. Next meeting in August should finalize wording in application.

## **RECREATION COMMITTEE:**

Member to report – No member in attendance.

**ROAD MASTER REPORT: May** - Mow Soccer Fields and Shoulders, Work on recycling shed, Pot Hole repair, Dig pipes and Culvert boxes out, Lehigh Asphalt started paving Pohopoco.

**June** - Lehigh Asphalt Finish paving, Install shoulders to road that was paved, Road Repairs

Email questions or comments to [ttroad@ptd.net](mailto:ttroad@ptd.net)

**ZONING OFFICER REPORT:** Carl had complaints about sight lines coming out of the Dollar General on 209. Went to the Uhaul company about trucks being parked in the sight line. Told them about the site lines that need to be enforced which the owner is not doing. Uhaul was going to come out to talk to owner themselves.

Available in township office

### **SEO REPORT:**

Available in township office

**FIRE COMPANY REPORT:** Eric George reported the Fire Company had 9 calls for May.  
1 Non-Emergency Call and 8 Emergency Calls.

**PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT:** James Schaffer stated that there was 2 items on the Planning Commissions agenda for June 10.

Meisenholder extension till July 31 and Moyer which was rejected at last meeting.

George White has health issues and will not be attending the meeting.

Available in township office

Next Meeting is June 10, 2019

### **CORRESPONDENCE:**

Letter to Polk Township Fire Company for closure of 209 on June 8<sup>th</sup> for 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Parade.

Thank You card from the Ruch family for the flowers.

Community Watch Program sponsored by Eldred Township at Municipal Building on June 12, 2019 at 7:00 pm.

### **OFFICIALS:**

Thank You to Joyce Borger and the Girl Scouts for mulching and planting flowers around the Building.

Zoning Officer Hours for June 2019:

Tuesdays June 4, 11, 18, and 25 2019 - 5:00 p.m. to 7:00p.m.

Carl Faust, Towamensing Township Zoning & Code Enforcement Officer, can be reached by calling:  
570-943-2577. Email: [bmisinspector@gmail.com](mailto:bmisinspector@gmail.com)

Zoning Meeting scheduled for Tuesday July 30<sup>th</sup> 2019 at 1:00 pm

Tax Collector Parking up and down Borger Street. We currently don't have Parking Ordinance but might have to be looked into.

**ADJOURNMENT: 8:20 PM**

Guy Motioned, William 2<sup>nd</sup>. AIF

Respectfully submitted,  
Kim Acierno  
Secretary