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Supervisors

The monthly meeting of the Jefferson Township Board of Supervisors was called to order by Mr. Falkner on August 12th, 2019 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. John Burkett was absent. Also present were Barb McWilliams Marlene Gilliland and Judy Hinkson.

A motion was made by Mr. Dunn to approve the minutes from the July 8th, 2019 Supervisor's Meeting. Seconded by Mr. Falkner. Motion passed with 3 yes votes.

A motion was made by Mr. Dunn to approve the minutes from the July 25th, 2019 Planning Commission Meeting. Seconded by Mr. Falkner. Motion passed with 3 yes votes.

A motion was made by Mr. Dunn to approve the minutes from the July 8th, 2019 Special Bid Opening Meeting. Seconded by Mr. Falkner. Motion passed with 3 yes votes.

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

General Fund	\$47,695.23	Sewer	\$ 2,642.54
Parks & Recreation	\$ 105.00	State Liquid Fuels	\$47,975.34

Motion passed with 3 yes votes.

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

Public Comment Period:

Barb McWilliams expressed her thanks on behalf of the Fair Board for the use of equipment and help with the fair.

Marlene Gilliland of 21 Winner Road thanks the Road Department for the piping in of her ditch. She also asked if anything was going to be done with the property next to her as the water in the ditch was backing up to her pipe and doesn't want it get clogged with debris. Mrs. Gilliland also express concern on the condition of the property on the corner of E. State Street and Winner Road. Mr. Falkner advised her to file a formal complaint.

Judy Hinkson of 49 Winner Road asked why when the road department was ditching they went across her yard and half of the woods next to her but stopped. Ditch is full of water. Mr. Dunn would look into the problem..

Correspondence:

Mercer County Tax Claim Bureau – 2019 Upset Tax Sale notice. Mr. Falkner will call the bureau to clarify if the township has to take further action to collect the taxes at the sale.

Mercer County Conservation District – Crooked Creek Dam Emergency Plan read by Mr. Falkner.

Mercer County Regional Planning letter regarding the availability of CDBG (Community Development Block Grant) funds reviewed by Mr. Falkner. The Fair Board is planning to inquire if they qualify for funding.

UGI Energy Services letter advising their acquisition of TransCanada's Columbia Midstream Group was read by Mr. Falkner.

Administrative Actions:

Mr. Falkner made a motion to approve the use of the Township Grounds for the Lawrence-Mercer Recycling Event on September 21st, 2019. Motion seconded by Mr. Dunn. Motion passed with 2 yes votes.

Motion made by Mr. Falkner to approved the refund of overpayment and errors in the Real Estate Taxes to Property owners Settle and Chambers. Seconded by Mr. Dunn. Motion passed with 2 yes votes.

Motion made by Mr. Falkner to accept the Collective Bargaining Agreement between Jefferson Township Police Department and Jefferson township. Motion was seconded by Mr. Dunn . Motion passed with 2 yes votes. Mr. Falkner made a motion to accept the bid from Tri –County Industries for Residential Refuse Collection/Disposal Service at \$23.00 per month for unlimited 90-100 gallon toter picked up weekly plus \$2.75 per month for curbside commingled Recycling Collection and after collection marketing service utilizing mobile totals at \$2.75 per month picked up bi-weekly. (26 weeks per contract year) Refuse stickers for bags will be \$3.00 per sticker. The contract period commencing on or about September 1st, 2019 and ending August 31, 2023 with the following three years as option years. Motion seconded by Mr. Dunn. Motion approved with 2 yes votes.

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

Real Estate Additions	6	\$400.40
Real Estate Exons	2	\$173.95
Per Capita Exons	20	\$100.00
Per Capita Additions	1	\$ 5.00

Motion seconded by Mr. Dunn. Motion passed with 2 yes votes.

Staff Reports:

- Police Department – Reports of June and July 2019 read by Mr. Falkner.
- Fire Department - Reports of June and July 2019 read by Mr. Falkner..
- Parks and Recreation - None.
- Road Report –
 - Mr. Burkett advised via text message that since the last meeting the road department has been mowing road, installing culverts for Mrs. Gilliland, Mrs. Graham and Mr. Olson. They have finished stoning ditch on N. Hassel, scratched Clay Furnace Road and patched and reshaped ditches where there were water problems. Tentative scheduling for sealing will be in the next week. Martuccio will do N. Hassel in the next 2 weeks.
- Sewer Report –
 - Mr. Dunn advised that 2 residential pumps failed and were replaced. Continued problem with Bend Road pump station and a resident's flushing of wipes.

Unfinished Business:

New Business: Mrs. Adams read for the board the Solicitor's advice regarding the Secretary position of the Zoning Appeals Board. In that no current member wishes to act as secretary and it is not mandatory, the Township Secretary can prepare all paperwork, adds and scheduling necessary to have a meeting. Mr. Dunn and Mr. Falkner agreed with advice.

Meetings: Read by Mr. Dunn.

Adjournment: Motion by Mr. Dunn to adjourn at 7:48 p.m., seconded by Mr. Falkner. Adjourned.

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Approved by: Garth Falkner Date 9/9/19
Garth Falkner, Chairman