

Zoning Hearing Board

- 2017 Paul Herrmann**
- 2016 Sam Kudelko**
- 2015 John Taylor**
- Alternate - _____**

Municipal Authority

- 2019 Roy Masotto**
- 2018 Evelyn Klein**
- 2017 Jason Schenker**
- 2016 Mike Nashtock**
- 2015 Michael Burckart**

Parks and Recreation Commission

- 2017 Fred Staunch**
- 2016 Troy Titus**
- 2015 Kevin Callahan**

Emergency Management Board

- 2014 Richard Christoff – One year term**

Vacancy Board

- 2014 Lindell Bridges – One year term**

A motion was made by Mark Presley to appoint Lindell Bridges to the Vacancy Board and Rose Lyons made a motion to appoint Olivia Lazor to the Vacancy Board. Mark Presley’s motion passed with Brian Geisel also voting for Lindell Bridges.

A motion was made by Brian Geisel and seconded by Mark Presley to approve the preceding appointments, boards, and bank. Motion passed unanimously, with the exception of Rose Lyons abstaining from the appointment of the depository bank.

The Regular Meetings of the South Pymatuning Township Board of Supervisors will be held the second Wednesday of each month in the year 2014 with the exception of the September meeting which will be held on the third Wednesday. The meetings will be at 6:00 PM with the workshops preceding at 5:00 PM.

Three supervisors and Glenn Adams are authorized to attend the Annual Convention of the State Association of Township Supervisors in Hershey, Pa., with Glenn Adams as the voting delegate.

A motion was made by Brian Geisel and seconded by Mark Presley to approve the above time and dates of meetings and representatives. Motion passed unanimously.

The following wages and bonds were set:

Receiver of Wage Taxes	1.6%
Property Tax Collector	7%
Union Contract	
Public Works	21.40/hr
Public Works/New Hire	15.45/hr
Office Employee	18.01/hr
Secretary	3,050.00/yr
Zoning Board of Appeals	10.00/hr
Property Tax Collector’s Bond	270,000.00
Receiver of Wage Taxes Bond	Covered under Mercer County TCC
Treasurer’s Bond	100,000.00

Board Secretary's Bond	25,000.00
Equipment Rental:	
Large Truck with Operator	\$ 55.00/hr + \$30.00/hr for operator
Small Truck with Operator	\$ 55.00/hr + \$30.00/hr for operator
Truck & Snow Plow - Two Operators, Other machinery with Operator, Backhoe, Mower, etc.	\$ 82.00/hr + \$30.00/hr for operator
Police:	
Police Contract	
Class 1 - Sergeant	22.28/hr
Class 1 - Corporal	17.87/hr
Class 2 - Patrol officer	16.81/hr
Zoning Officer	\$ 400.00/month
Mileage as per federal rate for miles traveled on township business	.56/mi (current rate)

Supervisors' rate of pay is \$1,875.00 per year as set by State Code.

A motion was made by Brian Geisel and seconded by Rose Lyons to approve the preceding wages, rental rates and bonds. Motion passed with Mark Presley abstaining.

A motion was made by Brian Geisel to recommend to the Board of Auditors the hourly rate of \$21.40 for working supervisors. Motion died for lack of a second.

The Board of Supervisors named the following representatives:

COG Alternate	Mark Presley Brian Geisel
Upper Shenango Valley Water Pollution Control Authority Alternate	Mike Nashtock Evelyn Klein
Mercer County Regional Planning Commission Alternate	Rose Lyons Brian Geisel
Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Alternate	Bill Klumph _____
Tax Collection Committee (TCC) Alternate	Ed Wilson _____

A motion was made by Brian Geisel and seconded by Rose Lyons to approve the preceding appointments. Motion passed unanimously.

The Reorganization Meeting was concluded.

SOUTH PYMATUNING TOWNSHIP REGULAR MEETING

Brian Geisel announced that an Executive Session was held on December 24, 2013 at 9:30 AM to discuss personnel issues.

A motion was made by Brian Geisel and seconded by Mark Presley to approve the minutes of the December 11, 2013 Regular Meeting and to dispense with the reading of them. Motion passed unanimously.

Visitor Comments:

Ed Wilson said the supervisors were to have an answer for the fire department regarding giving them more money. Mr. Wilson wondered how the solicitor was chosen and what his rate of pay is. He is opposed to the police officer attending the meeting. Mr. Wilson said there was a semi truck that rolled over at the end of his road and he is wondering if a citation was issued. He would like the agenda available prior to the meetings. Brian Geisel said he would like to set up a meeting with the other supervisors to discuss additional funding for the fire department. Mr. Geisel does not know anything about the rollover.

Upon further questions, Attorney McConnell stated that the law allows for public comment, but the board has no obligation to answer questions.

Olivia Lazor said when she was a commissioner, there was a work session one week prior to their meeting. If anyone had a question, they discussed it at the work session.

Sheryl Wilson said phone calls aren't returned and questions aren't answered.

Dennis Sump wanted to know the solicitor's wage and how he was hired. Brian Geisel said the solicitor was voted on at an executive session. Attorney McConnell said there is no legal requirement in the Second Class Township Code to advertise and bid for professional services. The solicitor then explained that he is being paid the same as our former solicitor, which is a \$450.00 retainer and a reduced hourly rate of \$90.00.

Chuck Vranich asked the solicitor a question. Attorney McConnell said since it is his first day, he would answer a few questions, but his job is to provide legal advice to the Board of Supervisors. Mr. Vranich asked the solicitor what other townships he served. Attorney McConnell stated he was the solicitor for Mercer County for eight years, he believes he was just appointed as solicitor for Lackawannock Township, and he is the solicitor for Mercer County Joint Sewage Agency. Mr. Vranich asked if solicitors attended meetings in other townships and Attorney McConnell did not know.

Don Morrow talked about an article he read regarding government.

Tom Lyons talked about unsafe water wells in his neighborhood. Brian Geisel and Mark Presley said they looked into a grant last year to extend the water system, and will try again this year.

Joan Rice asked if Berkheimer is getting more or less money for the township than the previous wage tax collector and the supervisors said the township is getting more money.

Rachel Doddato commented that she does not think Tamarack Drive gets plowed often enough and is worried about school buses traveling up the hill.

Roy Masotto hopes that the new board can work together.

Sheryl Wilson said the Citizens Group organized because they felt there was no honesty on the Board of Supervisors.

Bill Klumph asked why the supervisors did not advertise for a solicitor. Attorney McConnell again stated that the Second Class Township Code does not require a township to advertise and receive bids for professional services.

The police, fire, and zoning reports were read.

A motion was made by Brian Geisel and seconded by Rose Lyons to pay the bills totaling \$108,293.58. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Brian Geisel and seconded by Mark Presley to authorize advertising the regular meeting time and dates for 2014. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Brian Geisel and seconded by Rose Lyons to adopt a Resolution appointing Black, Bashor, & Porsch as auditors of township accounts for 2013. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Brian Geisel and seconded by Mark Presley to reaffirm the Sexual Harassment Policy of 06/08/98. Motion passed with Rose Lyons abstaining because she does not have a copy of it and would like to read it first.

A motion was made by Brian Geisel and seconded by Mark Presley to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 7:02 PM.

Visitors in attendance:

Bob Layman	Tom Lyons	Chuck Vranich	Bill Klumph	Joan Rice
Don Morrow	Don Doddato	Sheryl Wilson	Rachel Doddato	Andy Bush
Lindell Bridges	Roy Masotto	Dennis Sump	Ed Wilson	Mike Derr
Frank Bertolasio	Delores Hedglin	Gary Hedglin	Laurel Alexander	Troy Titus
Mike Kudelko	Joyce Geisel	Karole Kantner	Olivia Lazor	

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Presley
Treasurer