

6:00 PM

July 9, 2014

SOUTH PYMATUNING TOWNSHIP REGULAR MEETING

The Regular Meeting of the South Pymatuning Township Board of Supervisors was held July 9, 2014 at 6:00 PM in the municipal building with Chairman Brian Geisel, Supervisor Rose Lyons, Secretary R. Glenn Adams, Treasurer Karen Presley, and Solicitor William McConnell, Jr. in attendance.

The meeting was opened with the Pledge to the Flag.

Brian announced that an Executive Session was held on June 18, 2014 to discuss personnel issues.

An Executive Session was called and the supervisors left the room.

The supervisors returned at approximately 6:45 PM and the meeting resumed.

A Motion was made by Brian Geisel and seconded by Rose Lyons to approve the minutes of the June 11, 2014 Regular Meeting and to dispense with the reading of them. Motion passed unanimously.

Public Comments:

Bill Klumph thanked the supervisors for looking at Wynwood Drive at Route 18. He then said several people have wondered why no lines are painted on Thomason Road.

Don Morrow said PennDOT looked at the catch basin on Ivanhoe Road at Buckeye Drive.

Kurt Toth said he was the one who called Jeff Dunlap regarding the catch basin being plugged.

Jim Keating said there is a sink hole at the end of his driveway on Crestview Drive.

Luanne Salaga said a portion of Cardinal Drive could use a seal-coat.

Ed Wilson asked if the conditions were met to hire the part-time road department employee. Brian said the employee was hired at \$15.00 per hour for 35 hours per week. Mr. Wilson said that was in violation of the motion from last month. Brian said the young man will be working temporarily while an employee is on medical leave.

Chuck Vranich said there has been no attempt to fix Wynwood Drive.

Bill Klumph will talk with someone from PennDOT regarding Wynwood Drive.

Kurt Toth said Brian should micromanage the road department. He would like lines painted on Orangeville Road. Mr. Toth asked what the final bill was for Margolis Edelstein and Brian did not know. Mr. Toth said the public should know that and then he asked if the township received any letters from the insurance company regarding being dropped. Brian said we have not received any letters, but stated the township's insurance premium increased approximately 17% due to a previous lawsuit. Brian stated the township pays \$2500.00 deductible for each lawsuit.

Ed Wilson stated that lawsuits are over-used in our country and he finds them offensive. He made reference to the police presence at meetings and wondered if the meetings have ever had a level of hostility deserving of police protection.

Laurel Alexander, South Pymatuning Township Auditor, said there was an auditor meeting that was out of control when there was no police presence. She said she has also had people yell at her and stick their finger in her face at township meetings, so she supports the police attending township meetings.

Chuck Vranich referred to the lawsuits and said the supervisors didn't try to stop what was happening.

Evelyn Klein said we can't have one person work on the roads and mentioned that the road crew didn't have many days off during the past winter.

Martha Stambaugh does not think that the taxpayers should have to pay \$5500.00 for the attorney the auditors hired. She said new supervisors should take a class before taking office.

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Police, fire, and zoning reports were read. The Walker Brothers Circus is performing two shows on August 9, 2014 at the fire department grounds.

Glenn Adams read a letter from Mark Presley resigning his position as supervisor effective June 30, 2014 due to moving from the township.

A motion was made by Brian Geisel and seconded by Rose Lyons to pay the bills totaling \$73,771.16. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Brian Geisel and seconded by Rose Lyons to temporarily hire J. T. Palovsky as a part-time public works employee at \$15.00 per hour until the full-time employee returns to work. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Brian Geisel and seconded by Rose Lyons to accept Mark Presley’s resignation from the Board of Supervisors. Motion passed unanimously.

Brian stated that letters of interest for the position of supervisor will be accepted until July 18, 2014.

A motion was made by Brian Geisel and seconded by Rose Lyons to recess the meeting until July 22, 2014 at 6:00 PM. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting recessed at 7:55 PM.

Visitors in attendance:

Bob Layman	Pat Layman	Sheryl Wilson	Ed Wilson
Guyla Sump	Dennis Sump	June Vodenichar	Mary Ann Jones
Laurel Alexander	Cynthia Alexander	James Keating	Robin Stanek
Joyce Bortner	Lindell Bridges	Michaelene Harris	Richard Harris
Tom Lyons	Erica Titus	Troy Titus	Don Morrow
Mike Derr	Kurt Toth	Chuck Vranich	Don Doddato
Bill Klumph	Frank Bertolasio	Joyce Geisel	Renee Bartosh
Luanne Salaga	Dan Bartosh	Steve O’Brien	Chris Nagy
Evelyn Klein	Martha Stambaugh		

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Presley
Treasurer