South Pymatuning Township Regular Meeting

The Regular Meeting of South Pymatuning Township Board of Supervisors was held June 12, 2019 at 6:30PM in the municipal building with Chairperson Bill Klumph, Supervisor's Rose Lyons and Chuck Vranich.

The meeting was opened with the pledge to the flag.

A motion was made by Bill Klumph and seconded by Chuck Vranich to approve the minutes of the May 08, 2019 regular Meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

Public Comments:

MS. Davidson said she was here to speak on behalf of the new chief the township hired and said she is looking for this township to be able to hold its head up again and is looking forward to being able to feel proud to say she is from South Pymatuning and that she knows her chief and he is a good person.

Kurt Toth asked about the grinding and the paving on Shadow and said the grinding was already done. Klumph said yes it is already done. Toth asked if it should have been approved at last month's meeting and said he thought the paving was supposed to be done. Klumph said the township can't use the roller we have and is about as mad as he can get. Toth asked about Orangeville Rd. and Klumph said he hasn't spoke with Gary from Hartford. Lyons asked if she could take over to respond to Kurt. Lyons said the project is not taking place this year. She said she has been involved with this project and that Bill wanted to take it over so she backed off. Lyons said Ohio has been given wrong information regarding the grant and said the grant can't be split so now caused a delay in proceeding with the work since they have to apply for a grant which wouldn't be approved until next year. Toth asked Klumph if that was true and Bill said it's very possible. Toth said the road is unsafe. Vranich advised Toth he had 30 seconds left. A disruption took place between Toth and Vranich. Klumph said he will end the meeting if disruption does not stop. Klumph said he knows the condition of the road. Toth asked if the money from the grant would be saved for Orangeville Rd. Lyons said yes. Toth asked if it was true if one of the road workers was relieved. Klumph said yes and it is a personnel issue.

Laurel Alexander asked when Paul Smith resigned. She said she didn't see any public notice for the meet and greet advertised. She said it violates the Sun Shine law. Lyons said it was not a public meeting it was simply a meet and greet. Alexander asked if Steele was paid for it and Klumph said no.

Mike Fennell said his complaint is Shadow Dr. He said he was not happy to see Hermitage out there and that the township was going to use a skim paver. He said it is not the proper machine. He said now he understands it is on hold for the road to be paved and asked how long it was going to be since the road is already loosing up. Klumph said it is going to go out for bid and they will be put out this week. Fennell asked if there was money set aside and Klumph said around \$50,000.00. Klumph said we had every intention of doing it ourselves but Penn Dot said the roller could not be used. Mike asked who did the last paving and what the cost was. Lyons said \$42,570.00 was the cost. Fennell said he would like to see it done professionally.

Fire reports and Police report were read.

A motion was made by Bill Klumph and seconded by Chuck Vranich to approve the bills in the amount of \$85, 117.84 and payroll in the amount of \$12,894.01 Motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Bill Klumph and seconded by Chuck Vranich to accept the resignation of Paul Smith effective June 5, 2019. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Bill Klumph and seconded by Chuck Vranich to hire Paul Ferm as police chief effective June 10, 2019. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Bill Klumph and seconded by Chuck Vranich to grind and roll Shadow Dr. ½ mile from Shadow to Anchorage Rd retro to June 07, 2019. Motion passed with Rose Lyons voting no.

A motion was made by Bill Klumph and seconded by Chuck Vranich to put a bid package together to have ½ mile of Shadow paved from Shadow Dr. to Anchorage Rd. and advertise. Motion passed unanimously.

Public Comment:

Mike Derr asked about the ordinance for grass. He said the grass is high across the street and there is a house that is half torn down and needs addressed. He also said there is a house on Saranac that needs demoed. Bill said he will call in the morning. Derr said the whole township is going to be lost next year. He said no one else has a clue what's going on. He said any questions asked to anyone Rose has the answers to. Derr asked where the new supervisor was that is stepping in next year. He said he's never been to a meeting in his life and that he ran to take votes away. Alexander interrupted and asked if it's right to have personal attacks and Derr told her to shut up. Laurel said we not need Derr's mouth.

Ruth Bosnjak asked who the zoning officer was.

Mike Bridge from Hartford said it was their understanding that the 700,000 was for Orangeville Rd only and that Gary Shaffer has been working off that number and that they have been informed that the grant was for 3 roads not just Orangeville Rd. He said they need some specification of what the township wants to accomplish on that road so they can figure out what they are going to do on the Ohio side. He said he understood in the beginning that there was going to be a grant that would cover that they would be able to share and know it is his understanding that is not the case. Mike said like Lyons said they are going to apply for money which will not happen until next year. Mike said he is going to need additional information for that road. Klumph said he will call Gary this week. Mike said he would like to have the details and if we are going to make this happen we need to start putting things down on paper. Lyons said there a conference call scheduled for the 15th or 17th of this month about the rehab and hopes to get more answers. Lyons said she has a lot of questions for them but believes the biggest problem is the board's miscommunication with Ohio. Lyons said she's known the information and knows what she's doing. Lyons said the new supervisors coming on board should be involved.

Don Morrow said he has lived long enough to see history repeat itself and after the election. He said the township did the same thing they did when Bob Bortner and the other supervisors got the money all stabilized and then started to clean house and decided to change the township into a business as it should be they then voted them out. Morrow said and here we are again doing it again, He said the supervisors that are here now brought in over a million dollars of grant money, thousands of dollars in the bank, vehicles paid off and money in the bank to buy a new one and a hold on taxes. Morrow said we just

throw them by the waste side and start all over again and if this is what the people want that's what they get.

Dave Garver asked what he was hired for and Klumph said he is primary job is road and that he will take care around the building. Garver said around the building was his primary job and said he's done a lot here. He said Klumph is milking the township worse than anyone. Lyons asked Laurel Alexander if she was sticking up for Klumph and Laurel said there shouldn't be personal attacks. Lyons said it's not about attacking it's about saving tax dollars and if we can pay someone 10.00 vs. a supervisor making 15.00 to save money. Garver asked Klumph what he was going to do about charging the township for mowing. Klumph told Garver to continue doing what he has done.

Laurel Alexander said she noticed by the school house on Saranac that the grass is high by the ditch. Lyons told her as the next supervisor she should know that is a State Rd. Alexander asked when the chief started and if more were hired. She asked about 911 addressing.

The chief was introduced and he gave a speech about his background. He said the door will always be open and wants a very open dept. and wants a dept. that can solve problems and serve the community. He answered questions that some residents had.

Lyons wanted to address Shadow Dr. with Mr. Fennell. Lyons said the job has to be bid out on Shadow. Lyons said before the road was grinded and rolled it should have been on the agenda. Lyons said she advised the supervisors the road should have been bid out but is only one vote. Lyons said she is confident to say she knows what she is doing. Lyons said the paver we have should be gotten rid of. She said it is only for scratch paving and hopes the next board does their homework and get project approvals. Lyons said she just had an audit and that the township is getting nabbed for the project done last year on Shadow because no one wants to listen to her suggestions. She also said there was no project approval done for the other part of Shadow this year. Lyons said the township is going to owe the liquid fuels from its general account approx 20,000.00 because supervisors did not get project approval and don't take her advice. She said this burns her because now we have to use tax dollar money. Lyons said the supervisors need to be honest with the community and explain to them we only get a set amount of money and these are the roads that will be done. Lyons said she worked hard to build the accounts up and the township

has \$100,000,000.00 between the 3 operating accounts and that something the township has never had. Lyons said she works hard for the taxpayers. Lyons said god bless the next board of supervisors. She told Mike he could look at the balances of the accounts.

The meeting was not adjourned. It was over at 7:10PM

Rose Lyons

Secretary