

MARION TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS MEETING March 9, 2017 at the Township Building

Present: Archie Gettig, Herb Chapman, John R. Dillon (Rick) and Angel Emery

Guests: David Emery Jr., Tim Weight, Brian McCauley (Tax Collector), and Ken Roan

Chairman Gettig, called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

On a motion by Gettig and 2nd by Dillon, motion passed to approve February 9, 2017 meeting minutes as presented 3-0.

Public Comments: Ken Roan questioned why the January minutes are not on the website, Emery checked the website and the minutes are posted, they must've been overlooked by Roan.

Roan inquired about septic pumping, a handful of resident's have not yet complied but the attorney has been contacted and letters have been sent regarding the matter. Gettig explained the new six year policy briefly. Roan wanted to know if anymore was determined about the right of ways that were talked about a few months ago, Gettig said that the issue has not been discussed any further yet. Roan wanted to know why the park was barricaded and who made the decision to do that, Gettig explained that he made the decision as the head road master. Gettig thought it would save time and money from plowing the parking lot and was trying to keep whoever was doing donuts out so that there wasn't more work for the crew trying to fix damage. Gettig explained that the park is not closed and residents can park between the ribbons. Roan brought up Governor Wolf's budget proposal that would impose a \$25/person fee for townships without police coverage. Roan feels the supervisors should be doing more. Chapman explained that there's only been one article in the CDT and one little piece on the news so he feels they need more information before they would go address anyone about it. The supervisors want to discuss it with other members of the NVJPC meeting that is coming up on the 16th of this month.

Old Business: None

New Business:

Nittany Valley Joint Planning Commission-

Planning Commission- Gettig would like Weight to sit in on a Planning commission meeting since he will be the one enforcing the new proposed ordinance when/if it is adopted. Christie is still working on typing the final draft of the ordinance to be reviewed by the BOS before the public hearing is held. Liz Lose from Centre County was at the planning commission meeting and gave everyone an Economic Development Chapter of Nittany Valley Region Comprehensive Plan.

Park & Rec- Chapman stated that no meeting was held because Weaver didn't make it to the meeting. Gettig informed the board that NVLL has contacted him and they will be taking care of the spraying and other field maintenance inside the fence. Sand for the infield will be coming next week sometime. Chapman inquired about mulch for around the playground equipment. Roan feels it should be replaced but Gettig said it just needs touched up. Gettig and the rest of the road crew have prepared the park to be opened when the weather breaks. Roan reminded them to tighten the playground equipment and Gettig assured him it was on the list of things left to do.

Gettig read a letter from Chad Henning, a softball coach with an area girls' softball team. They would like to use Panik field, Gettig said he would call him and discuss when they would be looking to use it. Dillon wants to inquire about what they would be willing to pay to help supplement what the NVLL has already contributed to Panik Field.

CCMPO- Gettig discussed the newsletter received from the Centre County MPO.

Zoning Report- Weight reviewed and discussed the February zoning report.

Head Road Master Report- Gettig discussed. Gettig asked the board what they thought about the recycling bins, should they go back to the park or stay at the township building. Chapman asked if there's been any phone calls, there has not. They will discuss what to do with them at the next meeting.

Constable- Complaint was received. Due to the nature of the complaints and the fact that the constable has not completed any training that the township or county has been able to find, the board feels it would be best to follow through with the removal of the constable. **On a motion by Gettig and 2nd by Dillon, motion passed to have the township solicitor file a petition for removal of the Marion Township constable 3-0.**

Nittany Engineering- Discussion was held about the Elam Stoltzfus driveway crossing proposal. Chapman feels it would be safer for everyone to follow through with the change that Stoltzfus is proposing. It has already gone through Nittany Engineering and Gettig has spoken with Mr. Stoltzfus regarding the matter. **On a motion by Chapman and 2nd by Dillon motion passed to approve the driveway proposal 3-0.**

Liquid Fuels- Payment of \$45,049.02 was received

Bellefonte Area School District- Gettig mentioned the compensation rates for elected tax collectors. Chapman let McCauley know he appreciates what he does.

Gettig presented the estimate he received from PennDOT for the paving of Sand Ridge. The board discussed the cost, which was estimated around \$36,000 compared to the money currently in the account for projects such as these which is about \$87,000. **On a motion by Chapman and 2nd by Gettig motion passed to put the paving of Sand Ridge out for bid 3-0.**

Discussion was held about the condition of Foothills Development. Dillon feels that should be looked at as well. Gettig will have Matt Kenepp look at it next time he's down and give his recommendation.

On a motion by Dillon and 2nd by Gettig, motion passed to write a letter to the CCMPO and PennDOT about the condition of SR 26 from Interstate 80 to Shay Lane 3-0.

Discussion was held about the website again, Gettig would like to contact the Holloway's. **On a motion by Gettig and 2nd by Chapman, motion passed to contact the Holloway's to see if they're still willing to set up the website for the township and if so, when and an estimate for the cost 3-0.**

Gettig discussed an email received from Centre County regarding the PennDOT and the State Transportation Commission public comment phase for the update of the 2019 Twelve Year Transportation Program. Dillon is willing to come to the township building to work on the survey with Emery.

Chapman recommended setting a date to open the park so that the residents have an idea. Gettig said the park is open but they prefer people park their vehicles on the solid surfaces to avoid tearing up the ground. Dillon recommended waiting until the ground firms up. The board would like to try to open it March 17th if the weather permits.

Gettig is going to talk with Don Franson about building the bank up at the park to help keep the water in the ditch line.

McCauley mentioned the CCATO spring convention. **On a motion by Dillon and 2nd by Gettig, motion passed to approve the attendees for the CCATO to be reimbursed by the township 3-0.**

On a motion by Gettig and 2nd by Chapman, motion passed to pay bills as presented and approve treasurer's report.

Gettig adjourned the meeting at 8:28 p.m.

Treasurers Report: including the list of checks written to date for approval with Treasurer's report. (Some checks were mailed and the balance is being presented for signatures at this meeting). Checks listed above are from February 10, 2017 through March 9, 2017. Check numbers and the amounts are on the listings and it will be included with the official minutes for filing. Additional checks written after the above dates may be presented for approval at the monthly meetings. The above additional checks will be included again on the monthly listing for approval at the following months meeting.

PLEASE NOTE ALL BALANCES BELOW ARE AFTER ALL CHECKS LISTED IN ABOVE REPORT HAVE BEEN WRITTEN.

General ----	\$103,937.16	State liquid fuels fund--	\$87,503.68
Park Fee-In-Lieu ----	\$4,311.75	State Equipment Fund--	\$17,265.11

Archie Gettig Jr., Chairman

Angel Emery, Secretary/Treasurer

Herbert Chapman, Vice Chairman

John R. Dillon, Supervisor