

October 6, 2014

Chairman Dennis Macheska called the regular meeting of the Ransom Township Board of Supervisors to order on October 6, 2014 at 7pm at Mt Dewey Community Hall. Also present were supervisors David Bird, William (Bud) Brown, secretary Sarah Griggs and attorney Ed Scacchitti. Six individuals signed the sign in sheet.

David Bird made a motion to accept the previous months minutes as read. Bud Brown seconded the motion. All yes 0 no.

Office Harvey of the South Abington Police Department presented the police report for the month. He advised that new vascar lines have been put down and old ones have been repainted. Officer Harvey discussed a suspicious van with a New York license plate has been spotted in the township going door to door offering to clean for free. Officer Harvey advised they were not able to speak with the individuals in the van but if anyone is approached by the individuals offering to clean for free please contact the police. Lenay Blackwell questioned the officer if they will be repainting the vascar lines on Upper Bald Mt Rd. Officer Harvey advised that he will get them repainted.

There was no one present from the Newton Ransom Fire Department to present the fire report for the month.

Under Public Comment: Jerry Blackwell questioned if the money for the road repair work comes out of the liquid fuels account or the general account. David Bird advised that it comes from the general account and that at this time it is not needed to use the money in the liquid fuels account. Jerry Blackwell questioned what the money in the liquid fuels account can be used for. David Bird advised that it can be used for road work, trucks and equipment.

Cheryl Macheska advised that the Newton Ransom Fire Company and The Lions Club would be holding a Trunk or Treat on Saturday October 25 from 1-4. Trunk or Treat is a safe way for children to trick or treat. Participants decorate their car trunks and the children go from car to car for candy.

Being there no further public comment Dennis Macheska returned to the agenda.

Dennis advised the township received an inspection report and engineers report for Alliance Landfill noting no violations.

Bud Brown made a motion to pay the bills as presented. David Bird seconded the motion. All yes 0 no.

David Bird made a motion to sign a PSATS resolution for amendments to the pension. Bud Brown seconded the motion. All yes 0 no.

Bud Brown made a motion to sign a PSATS resolution for amendments to the life and disability insurance. David Bird seconded the motion. All yes 0 no.

Dennis Macheska read the treasurers report for the month. General fund balance was \$814,653.41. Liquid fuels fund balance was \$1,340,653.41. Recycling for the month of September totaled 4.12 tons. Octobers recycling days would be October 17th and 18th.

David Bird presented the road report advising that the township is in the process of mowing back the sides of the roads. The road projects for the year have been completed and have begun getting the trucks ready for winter.

Dennis Macheska advised that any resident that requires the township to go on their private property will be required to sign a release before the township employees

or officials can enter the property. Bud Brown advised that he has a copy of the release agreement if anyone would like to review it.

Ed Scacchitti stated that Taylor Borough has sent the township a proposal for an intergovernmental agreement for the landfill inspectors in the event of an emergency. Ed advised the agreement itself is innocuous because the township can get out of the agreement at any time and if Taylor Borough asks Ransom to have Ransoms inspector do the inspecting due to Taylors inspector not being available Ransom will still have to pay their inspector for the work. Taylor would not reimburse Ransom for it. Ed advised in his opinion he did not feel there was a need for the agreement due to there not being a problem and it is something that Ransom Township already does. Bud Brown advised that in the event of an emergency it will be covered. In the event of an emergency Taylor Borough, DEP, EPA, Newton Ransom Fire Hall, and Ransom Township would all be made aware. Bud advised that in this event the landfill does have procedures in place. Bud Brown made a motion authorizing Ransom Township to enter into an intergovernmental agreement with Taylor Borough for the Alliance Landfill. Motion was not seconded. Motion did not carry.

Dennis Macheska advised that the next regular township meeting would be November 3, 2014.

David Bird stated that at the township cleanups the township will no longer accept broken TVs. All TVs must be in one piece. Dunmore is no longer taking TVs. The only facility that accepts them is the recycling center and they do not take TVs that are not intact.

Bud Brown made a motion to adjourn. David Bird seconded the motion. All yes 0 no.

Respectfully Submitted

Sarah Griggs