

March 2, 2015

Chairman Dennis Macheska called the regular meeting of the Ransom Township Board of Supervisors to order on March 2, 2015 at 7pm at the municipal building located at 2435 Hickory Lane, with the Pledge of Allegiance. Also present was Supervisor David Bird, Supervisor William (Bud) Brown and Secretary JoAnn Pane fourteen (14) individuals signed the meeting sign in sheet.

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

Officer Siegler of the South Abington Police presented the police report for the month. Officer Sigler advised that there were 3 incidents for the month of February. A call of theft on North Sekol Road between family members is ongoing because of subject being in a rehabilitation center. There was a burglary reported at Sunset Mobile Home Park that resulted in the theft of a Laptop, iPad, iPod, no leads and finally a stolen 2012 Toyota Tundra truck across from St. George's Cemetery, possibly on the landfill property. The truck was recovered but contents within the truck are missing.

Attendees of the meeting questioned the officer regarding a recent theft that occurred on Spring Drive. Officer Siegler indicated that because the State police responded, he would have no information on the theft.

There was no representative present from the Newton Ransom Fire Hall to present the report for the month.

Under Public comment: Robert Ketz, a resident present for the meeting inquired as to how Waste Management picking up Ransom Township's recycling is beneficial to the Township. Mr. Ketz's felt that the township has the manpower and the ability to pick up ourselves. Mr. Bird and Mr. Brown explained the Township's decision to contract with Waste Management. Mr. Ketz's stated that he was not happy with the decision.

During the regular meeting agenda Mr. Ketz once again stood and stated his issues with his garbage pickup. Mr. Bird addressed his issue stating that it has happened before and John Coggins has come out to pick up the garbage that was missed. Bud Brown stated that if Mr. Ketz has that issue again, he can call him directly.

Marcella Lukasiewicz questioned an item listed on the February Expenditures list for Gerald Scott and Horace Davies, specifically the clothing allowance. It was explained that the clothing allowance is given for the year in November and the item listed after their name doesn't mean they receive it all the time.

Jerry Blackwell stated that the State Police should be contacted and they should notify South Abington Police Department of issues within the township.

Being there no further public comment Dennis Macheska returned to the agenda. Dennis advised that the township received an inspection report and engineers report noting no violations.

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

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Dennis Macheska read the treasurers report for the month. The balance in the general fund was \$532,967.35 and the liquid fuels account balance was \$1,340,759.14. Recycling for January totaled 5.29 tons and February was 3.89 tons. Dennis also explained the February Waste Management system generated message and the pickup error for February. Recycling for this month is March 20th.

Dave Bird presented the road report for the month. He discussed that we are continuing to keep the roads clean. Bud Brown stated that they are aware of the "lifts" in the road.

Dennis Macheska advised that the next township meeting will be April 7, 2015, not April 6 as previously published because of the Easter Holiday.

Dave Bird made a motion to adjourn. William (Bud) Brown seconded the motion. All yes 0 no.

Respectfully Submitted
JoAnn Pane