

**WEST COCALICO TOWNSHIP**

The Chairman, James Stoner (JJ) called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

The following were in attendance:

Supervisors: James Stoner (JJ), Ray Burns, Leon Eby.

Others Present: Carolyn Hildebrand, Manager; Joielyn Current, Administrative Assistant; Tom Showalter, Roadmaster; Lieutenant Tom Shumaker, Ephrata Police Department; Michelle Fry, Ephrata Review; Lori & Ted Berger, Reinholds; Joyce Eberly, Denver; Ray Prince, Denver; Kori Walter, Reinholds; Luca Walter, Reinholds; Jessica Graham, Lancaster Farmland Trust; Stephanie Armpriester, Lancaster Farmland Trust; and Norma Enck, Denver.

Public Comment – Ray Prince is concerned with the noise from the trucks using the Jake brake on South Cocalico Road. The Ephrata Police Department was made aware of the issue. The Board of Supervisors will research an Ordinance regarding this situation.

Leon Eby motioned to approve minutes from the meeting held on November 15, 2016. Ray Burns seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Ray Burns motioned to approve the attached list of checks totaling \$22,442.56 from December 12, 2016 and the attached list of checks totaling \$76,586.65 from December 20, 2016. Leon Eby seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Police Report - There were a total of 57 incidents in West Cocalico Township for the month of November.

Carolyn Hildebrand gave the Manager's Report as follows:

1. I attended the Lancaster County Planning Commission Places 2040 meeting on Thursday, November 15, 2016.
2. I met with Lisa Sanelli from Weinhold, Nickel to begin the audit process on November 21, 2016.
3. Drew Burkhardt, Trilogy Group Benefits, met with all the employees on November 29<sup>th</sup>, to discuss the new insurance and the process for new gap payment.
4. Tom Showalter and I met with Jim Caldwell and Melissa Kelly, Rettew, on November 29 to discuss next year's project which they will be assisting us with.
5. Jim Caldwell and Melissa Kelly, Rettew and I met with Keith Mooney, Barley Snyder, to discuss commercial versus agriculture businesses.
6. I assisted the Yurchenko's and Jason Wenger in switching their escrow due to the sale of the property.
7. I met with Jen Meija to go over the injunction for the Martin property on December 14.
8. I attended the Lancaster Manager's meeting on December 14.

Tom Showalter gave the Roadmaster's Report as follows:

1. Road are being prepped for winter.
2. Removing leaves.
3. Scheduling Kline's to come out for service.

4. Checking pipes.
5. Installed heated wipers on trucks.
6. Mowers have been serviced and put away for winter.
7. Shop clean-up
8. Kent Reich started December 1, 2016.
9. Salted roads on 12/16
10. Salted and plowed roads on 12/17.
11. Tome & Doug attended a class on Road Maintenance on 12/20.
12. New fuel tank will be delivered this week.
13. 4 loads of salt delivered on 12/20, will probably order 1 more load of salt.

J.J. has not had the opportunity to get out to the Ensinger property with Tom and Doug. Table until January 2017.

Pipe lining project – received some estimates. Need to get more clarity on the permit issue. A waiver is possible. We need to find out who issues it.

Reinholds Community Ambulance Association request for funds – Tabled until January 2017.

Stephanie Armpreister from Lancaster Farmland Trust presented the findings of the BMP Assessment Project done on the farms in the township. In total, 222 identified properties were visited in West Cocalico Township. Visits were all voluntary. West Cocalico Township had 100% participation in the project. Ray Burns acknowledged our farmers for their participation.

Zoning Hearing Board Member Replacement – Michael Denlinger was a name as a possible replacement for Matthew Martin. He is interested in serving.

Leon Eby motioned to approve paying all 2016 invoices through 12/31/2016. Ray Burns seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Ray Burns motioned to advertise meeting dates for 2017. J.J. Stoner seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Ray Burns motioned to appoint Mike Hession as municipal delegate and Carolyn Hildebrand as alternate municipal delegate to represent the Cocalico School District on the Lancaster County Tax Bureau Board for 2017. Leon Eby seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Volunteer Fire Service Tax Credit – A tax credit was passed at the state level for volunteer firemen. The state has to come up with the criteria for the credit.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:13 p.m. to executive session. The meeting reconvened at 9:35 p.m.

Leon Eby motioned to adjourn the meeting at 9:36 p.m. Ray Burns seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Leon Eby  
Secretary