

Conewango Township Board of Supervisors
4 Fireman Street Warren, Pennsylvania 16365
Meeting Minutes for March 25, 2024

1. Supervisors present – Jeff Zariczny, David Gee, and Vince Duckett
2. Staff Present – Secretary Jennifer Fox, Roadforeman Joe Papalia, Police Chief Jason Peters.
3. Appointment of Dave Gee to take minutes for the March 25th, 2024 meeting.
4. Jeff Z. announced that there had been 2 executive sessions on 3/19 and 3/25 to discuss a personnel matter.
5. Minutes from the March 11 meeting were unavailable at the time of this meeting and will be made available for the April 9th meeting.
6. Visitors – the meeting saw 8 visitors sign in (William Ransom, Amy Ransom, Rebecca Downey, Eugene Coleman, Scott Harrington, Craig Lindquist, Ron Peterson, Leroy Korb). Discussions with visitors follows

William Ransom – Representing civil project of pavement of railroad street (parking lot of Train Station restaurant). William stated that he would like to come to an agreement for paving the parking lot and abating the storm water concerns. He is planning to foot the bill for the paving himself through Huber Blacktop. Jeff Zariczny stated that the project is over 5,000 square feet and therefore would need a proper plan. Ransom spoke with a civil engineer about the project that was not from the area. Jeff requested that Mr. Ransom contact Steve Halmi and Mr. Ransom agreed to do so. Mr. Ransom said that he had spoken with Huber Blacktop and they said they would like to start the project soon.

Rebecca Downey – 4115 Follett Run Road. Noise issue was spoken about of a well that has been occurring for several weeks. She asked about the idea of a Noise Ordinance. She and others had called the Conewango PD. Both Chief Peters and Officer Anderson reached out to the owner of the well, T.J. Allshouse about the concern. Sunday, March 24th, Officer Anderson visited site to determine if noise was still happening. He spoke with Mr. Lindquist (another neighbor) on several occasions. Officer Anderson stated that he could hear the noise on some occasions and not on others. Allshouse was working to find a solution. Mrs. Downey states on multiple occasions it is a 24/7 noise. Jeff Z. spoke about noise ordinance and how it is difficult to enact and harder to enforce issues. Chief Peters says that TJ Allshouse is trying to do what he can to muffle it. He also stated that the PD would continue to work on the situation. Reference was made by another resident, Eugene Coleman, of noise complaint concerning a kennel business in the area. Chief Peters spoke about how a noise ordinance could not supersede or be contrary to State and Federal laws already in place. Solicitor Stapleford verified that the property the well was on was the Mead property.

Mr. Ron Peterson – In reference to monies approved for cleaning of grave markers. Supervisors approved \$600 in December. Mr. Peterson asked if the township would approve \$200 for Matt Wallin to remove stumps from the Wetmore Cemetery. Jeff Z. stated that Mr. Peterson could pay up front and request reimbursement from the board. Solicitor stated the expenditure needed to be placed on the agenda for the next meeting.

Dr. LeRoy Korb – Concern about Dunkin Donuts egress. Board stated that concerns need to be passed on to PennDOT as they were the approving agency. He also had forms for rebuilding on River Road after the existing building is demolished. Drawings for said property had been sent to Bureau Veritas on 3/25.

- 7. Outstanding Bills – UPMC – past due and current in the amount of \$20,546.67
HIG – an additional amount for transporting documents of \$856.80.
NW Savings – Tax appeal rebate of \$5,282.31
Emergycare – yearly agreement of \$25,000

Motion to pay: D. Gee, Second by Vince Duckett

- 8. Treasurers Report – None available
- 9. Correspondence – None at this time
- 10. Solicitor – Launer Property – paid and filed application.
3296 Jackson Run Road – Hearing coming up – did not have exact date.
- 11. Police Department – Officer Anderson attended a grant writing workshop where they discussed how to write grants.
- 12. Road Department – Joe Papalia – Discussed storm water issues on State Street. To move water toward the South from Ditmar Street, 12 driveway pipes need replaced and many are under paved driveways. The plan is to take water from Ditmar South to Jackson Run. Pipe to handle flow at Bozine property (399 South State Street) had been plugged. D. Gee had talked to Bozine and he stated that it was done prior to his ownership of said property. Joe asked D. Gee to set up a meeting with Gerald Linden for the week of April 1. Joe reported he will be on vacation May 6th through 10th.
- 13. Nuisances – none to report on
- 14. Old Business
 - a. Salt vs. Brine
 - b. PLGIT Accounts – where do we stand with transfer into PLGIT from other accounts.
 - c. Check on Financing of truck for next meeting (4/9)
 - d. CPA – Representative from Haines and Company will be at our meeting of April 9th to discuss SVFD Audit.
 - e. LERTA – 783 Jackson Run Road; application submitted after construction completed.
 - f. Notice of Liquid Fuel Allocation.
 - g. County Liquid Fuel Application.
- 15. New Business
 - a. Emergycare agreement signed with a check approved to be submitted ASAP. Chief Peters is working on that.
 - b. Resolution of Personnel Matter – Motion made to terminate Jennifer Foxx's employment as of the meeting of March 25th, 2024 made by D. Gee, Second by V. Duckett. Add Chief Jason Peters as temporary **secretary-treasurer** on a part

time basis for an estimated 10 weeks. Add him also as POC for Verizon. Have Chief Peters bonded as well. Solicitor Stapleford will work on a MOU. Motion by D. Gee, Second V. Duckett

16. Other Items – Discussion concerning agreement with City of Warren. Jeff Z. feels we need to pay \$500 for one incident that the city responded in Starbrick. Chief Peters disagreed. No action taken.

Adjournment – Motion by V. Duckett, Second by D. Gee – adjourned at 5:40 pm.

Respectfully Transcribed,

David Gee
Vice-Chairman