

**CHIPPEWA TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MINUTES
of the
NOVEMBER 13, 2019
AGENDA MEETING**

The Chippewa Township Board of Supervisors held their monthly Agenda Meeting at 8:30 a.m. on Wednesday November 13, 2019. Present were Chairman Bouril, Supervisor Nancy Lamey, Manager Mark Taylor, Assistant Secretary/Treasurer Rich Bebout, Code Enforcement Officer Dawna Pella and Administrative Assistant Cindy Clark. Supervisor Hoenig was not present.

Chairman Bouril brought the meeting to order. He said that he met with the new Supervisor, Dan Wudske, and made him aware of available Supervisor training, etc. He said that Mr. Wudske would like to come in some time to meet everyone.

VISITORS

Chief Berchtold, Assistant Chief Hermick, Chuck Wissner from the Recreation Department, Eric Chaffee, from the Road Department and Jon Denman, from Edward Jones Investments attended. Also attending were Ken Ziegler, Jeff Moshier and Rob Lombardo.

Rob Lombardo spoke first, explaining that he is the manager for Penn Power of Beaver County. He said the educational process for a project in Chippewa Township is beginning and they hope to answer any questions those in the Township may have. He said that Ken Ziegler and Jeff Moshier are handling the real estate portion of the project. Jeff Moshier spoke next saying that he is the lead right-of-way representative for First Energy in Ohio and western Pennsylvania and that Ken Ziegler is a contractor. Jeff Moshier said they are looking to upgrade and secure the grid as there is more projected use on a distribution level. He said they have to be prepared to handle a load that will include 1 out of every 10 homes having a vehicle that needs to be charged overnight. They need to bring additional circuits into Chippewa Township in order to handle this type of thing in the future. He explained what they are planning in the area of Route 51. Due to planned development in the area they may rework the location of some of the corridor on the north side of Route 51. He indicated they want to create a win-win for everyone. He then spoke about the south side of Route 51. He said they are unable to take the substation out of service and further explained the situations with the circuits. He said that they need to secure easements along Darlington Road because they don't want to lose any capabilities at the Chippewa substations. This will run in front of the Chippewa Municipal Building. There was some discussion with Manager Taylor regarding signs and sign ordinances. Mr. Moshier said that First Energy is willing to work with people about their signs. Manager Taylor brought up the lights that are in our parking lot and was told that First Energy will look at the safety issue and a determination will be made. He talked about permissible encroachment, height restrictions or compensation.

He explained that they are increasing the width of the right-of-way due to safety issues. Line sag and wind issues are involved. Mr. Taylor had additional questions and Mr. Moshier said there will be new construction but the new construction will be in close proximity to the existing center line that runs down the road right now. He also said that they will work with property owners to overcome their issues and concerns and in the end secure easements from the property owners. He said sometimes there is an engineering solution. Manager Taylor asked about the possibility of going underground but Mr. Moshier said the residents would have higher utility bills. He said they are not required to have public meetings on this matter and they are most effective when they sit down one-on-one with property owners, but Manager Taylor offered them the use of our meeting room if they choose to meet with any of the residents who will be affected by this.

They were thanked for attending the meeting.

MANAGER

Township Manager Mark Taylor had the following items for discussion or action:

1. 2020 Proposed Budget:

Manager Taylor said that the 2020 proposed budget has been prepared. A meeting was held and it was advertised and on display if anyone wanted to look at it. He said the resolution on the budget is ready to be adopted at next week's Regular Meeting. Chairman Bouril added that this will be the 11th year in a row with no increase in taxes.

2. 2018 Financial Audit:

Mr. Taylor provided Mark Turnley's 2018 financial audit to the Supervisors. He said he or Beth can answer any questions they may have.

3. 2020 – 2023 Proposed Police Contract:

The Supervisors were given copies of the agreed Police Department contract. A copy was forwarded to the Police Association. Manager Taylor said they tried to incorporate all of the language in the negotiations. The Supervisors were asked to go through it to see if there are any typos or if anything was missed.

4. Kincaid Plan of Subdivision No. 3:

Manager Taylor said that at last night's Planning Commission meeting this plan, which is a 4-lot subdivision off of Lindy Street, was approved with only one comment. He said that this can be approved at next week's Regular Meeting.

5. Chippewa Trails Housing Plan Revision:

Manager Taylor said that they are asking for approval for a third time. They are now at 144 units. He added that there are some contingencies with some housekeeping items. The drawings will be addressed at next week's regular meeting.

6. Heartland Restaurant Group, LLC:

The Manager said that representatives of the Heartland Restaurant Group attended last night's Planning Commission Meeting. They plan to open a very small Dunkin' Donut business that will be a drive-through only. They are officially turning in their drawings today. They will be reviewed and Manager Taylor plans to keep the Supervisors updated on this project.

7. Department Reports:

A. Police:

Assistant Chief Hermick said that the department is still trending in the right direction and is being pro-active. Training was given to Pathway Church and they gave the department a certificate of appreciation.

B. Street:

Eric Chaffee updated the Supervisors regarding the two-way radios, the roll-off truck issue and catch basins.

C. Code Enforcement:

Dawna Pella said that she and Solicitor Verlihay have an appeal at the county courthouse in December. She said she is preparing her files to work

with the Laserfiche system. She is monitoring the removal of the political signs.

D. Recreation:

Chuck Wissner said the fields and parks are mostly winterized but the turf field is still open. He said that each year there is an increase in the usage of the fields and attendance at the fields. He said the Township is looking into expanding Recreation Department programs and trips in 2020. There are two murder-mystery dinners, a self-defense class and exercise classes planned for next year, along with a bus trip to see the Nailers play. They are also looking into lights for the baseball fields and a playground.

SUPERVISORS' BUSINESS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

With nothing further to come before the Board, the agenda meeting was adjourned at 9:05 a.m.

Secretary

Chairman