

The regular meeting of the Plunketts Creek Township Board of Supervisors was called to order Tuesday, January 3, 2012 at 7:12 PM in the Township Building. This being the reorganizational meeting it was called to order by the temporary chairman Ray Lewis

PRESENT: Gary Abernatha, Supervisor
Marvin Springman, Supervisor
Ray Lewis, Supervisor and Roadmaster
Gloria Lewis, Lynn & Bill Alsted, Annie Aumen, Jim Etzel, Mike Rine Tom
Schafer and Brad Stine

After opening the reorganizational meeting Ray Lewis asked for nominations for Chairman of the Board. Marvin Springman nominated Gary Abernatha and Ray Lewis seconded the nomination. Gary Abernatha nominated Ray Lewis as Vice-Chairman and Marvin Springman seconded the nomination. Ray Lewis nominated Christiana Moyer as Secretary / Treasurer and Marvin Springman seconded the nomination. Marvin Springman moved that the nominations be closed. The above nominations were made with all in favor. Ray Lewis made a motion, with unanimous affirmative vote, to accept the above nominations.

1. To hold regular meetings on the first Monday of each month at 7 PM in the Township Building. With the exceptions of May 14th, July 9th, August 27th (the September meeting) and December 27th (The End of Year Meeting). Road inspections will be April 7th and October 6th at 8 AM.
2. The Secretary and Assistant Secretary will be paid \$10.00 for each Auditor meeting they attend.
3. To pay the Supervisor elected prior to 2009 \$75.00 per meeting and to pay the Supervisors elected/re-elected in 2009 and 2011 a salary of \$1875 per year in accordance with State Act 68.
4. To deposit the Township general funds in an account at Susquehanna Bank to be transferred to PLGIT leaving a \$3000 running balance to cover electronic transfers and check card purchases.
5. To deposit the Township state funds electronically to PLGIT.
6. To appoint Garth Everett (McNerny, Paige, Vanderlin and Hall) as solicitor for the Township.
7. To pay the Secretary \$7000 per year and to pay the Treasurer \$6300 per year. To pay the federal mileage rate (\$.555 per mile) for use of their vehicle for township business.
8. To make application for the Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer's bond to DGK Ins. in the amount of \$250,000 each.

9. To appoint a Roadmaster at the rate of \$13.50 per hour and federal mileage rate (\$.555 per mile) for the use of their truck in lieu of the Township truck. The Roadmaster is authorized to spend up to \$200 for supplies without prior authorization on behalf of the Township.

10. To appoint the three Supervisors as Roadmaster at the rate of \$13.50 per hour and federal mileage rate (\$.555 per mile) for the use of their vehicle for Township Business.

11. To pay general laborers of the Township a rate of \$8.00 - \$10.00 per hour, skilled laborers a rate of \$10.00 - \$11.50 per hour, road supervisor a rate of \$12.50 per hour and to employ persons under the age of 18 by special consent of their parents.

12. To give Marvin Springman authorization to use his discretion when dealing with road maintenance emergencies.

13. To retain the same fee schedule of Ordinance #2 regulating Junk dealers and Junkyards and storage and disposal of scrap, refuse and junked articles and the amended ordinances of August 3, 1964:

A: Less than 15,000 sq. feet, \$150.00

B: More than 15,000 sq. feet but less than 40,000 sq. feet, \$175.00

C: More than 40,000 sq. feet, \$200.00

14. To join the Pennsylvania State Association of Township Supervisors and to subscribe to the Township News for each Supervisor, Secretary, Assistant Secretary, Zoning Officer, Solicitor, Members of the Planning Commission, Auditors, Roadmaster and Emergency Management Coordinator.

15. To pay the Zoning Hearing Board of Adjustments and their recording secretary \$25.00 for each hearing the Township asks them to act upon and pay the federal mileage rate (\$.555 per mile) to attend any hearing.

16. To authorize the Secretary or Assistant Secretary to purchase office supplies.

17. To pay Victor Hakes a rate of \$10.50 per hour for cutting the grass using his own mower.

18. To pay Craig Lewis and Emerson Lewis their regular hourly rate to act as building caretakers and to do building maintenance.

19. To appoint Lycoming County Planning Commission, Rod Heindel, Zoning Officer and to pay them a flat rate of \$2.00 per capita per year with no mileage reimbursement. They are to perform the job according to the job description outline of 7/2/79.

20. To appoint Design System Technologies, William Toth, as Sewage Officer.

21. Actions approved by the board will not require a second; a vote will be taken.

22. To appoint Fred Peet to the vacancy board.

23. To request the auditors approval for the use of the Supervisors car or rental of a van for the semiannual road inspections and to pay the Supervisor elected before 2009 \$75 for each road inspection.

24. To request the auditors approval of the federal mileage rate (\$.555 per mile) for the Supervisors when using their vehicle to perform Township Business.

25. To establish and approve an expense policy for elected and appointed officials as per copy attached to the January 3, 2007 minutes.

26. The Roadmaster is authorized to plow and cinder the PCTVFD parking lot and the Barbours Cemetery entrance when requested prior to a burial service.

27. To request the auditors approval for Gary Abernatha to be the township mechanic at a rate of \$18.50 per hour.

The auditors set items 8, 9, 10, 23, 24, 25, and 27.

On a motion by Ray Lewis, with unanimous affirmative vote, all of the above items were approved.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read.

GUESTS: None

REPORTS: PCTVFD: No Report

Planning Commission: No Report

Recreation Commission: No Report

Sewage Officer: No Report

Emergency Management: Tom Schafer will put his name in the hat as EMA Coordinator, if Allen Kaplan has in fact resigned, Tom is still working on training and feels that he would gladly stay a deputy if someone more qualified applies. Bob Emick and Greg Dangle are both interested in the position. Ray Lewis made a motion, with unanimous affirmative vote, to appoint Tom Schafer Emergency Management Coordinator as long as Allen Kaplan has officially resigned.

Tom is still looking into and working on an automated call system when evacuation is needed. It was suggested, with all Supervisors in agreement, to run a thank you ad to all volunteers from the Supervisors. This thank you will also be placed on the Township website. The next EMA / PCTVFD / Supervisor meeting will be January 16, 2012. Tom's Emergency Questionnaire will be discussed at that meeting.

Roadmaster: The Dodge was cleaned out and items were placed in the bucket truck but now the bucket truck will not start. Gary will work on it as soon as there is heat in the maintenance building. Heating oil will be ordered tonight. Roads are as good as they are going to get. Two more loads of stone were spread on Dunwoody Rd and if the weather warms up Ray will grade that section one last time.

Zoning Officer: Michelle Leidhecker – Lower Barbours Rd – Repair flood damage
John & Patty Driver – Rt 87 Hwy – Elevate and repair cabin #1
John & Patty Driver – Rt 87 Hwy – Elevate and repair cabin #2
Loyalsock Baptist Church – Dunwoody Rd – Repair flood damage

CONTINUING BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: Glenn Rightmire does not want reappointed to his position on the Zoning Hearing Board so Roger Crebs will become a permanent member and we now have vacancies for both alternates.

The equipment fee schedule has been tabled until the Feb meeting. Rates will be researched for the Skid Steer and the Bucket Truck.

The Zoning Hearing Board fee will be researched and rates will be set at the February meeting. We will also look into a well pad fee similar to the radio/cell tower fee.

We will ask Kathie Hunter what other Townships are doing in regards to subdivision and land development fees and adjust our SD&LDO fee schedule accordingly at February's meeting.

Ray will be attending the Convention in May. Marvin made a motion, with unanimous affirmative vote, to appoint Ray as the Voting Delegate.

The Alsted's asked what further help the Supervisors have planned for flood victims who have not been able to clean up their properties yet. They were made aware of funds that may be available from CareerLink to help clean up the stream banks. They want to know if the Supervisors are willing to support that type of effort. The Supervisors were all in agreement to support the Loyalsock Watershed Group or other committees that can organize such an effort. Tom Schafer asked if there could be a pre-clean up day for volunteers to help before the spring clean up. The Supervisors will think about how that could be done and discuss it at another meeting.

DEEDS: None

CHECKS APPROVED AND SIGNED:
See attached treasurer's report.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Christiana Moyer, Secretary