MINUTES **February 27, 2024**
for
REGULAR MEETING
Rockefeller Township Board of Supervisors

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the Rockefeller Township Board of Supervisors was called to order at 6:00 p.m. at the Township building by Chairman, Colin Clayberger.

PRESENT

Colin Clayberger, Julie A. Powell, Skyler Herb, , George Herrold, Paula Greco

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Colin made a motion to approve the minutes. Skyler seconded the motion. Motion passed without opposition.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Skyler made a motion to approve the Treasurer's report and file for audit. Julie seconded the motion.

CORRESPONDENCE

Colin read from a letter the township received from PPL about work they will be doing in the area. They sent a copy of a letter they will be sending to residents that will be affected.

SPECIAL INTEREST

Nothing

PUBLIC COMMENTS (Agenda Items)

None

PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT

Julie asked when we will be starting the review for the Zoning portion of our ordinances. There was some discussion and it was decided that it will be May 6th at 6 PM or shortly after if the Planning Commission board has a set of plans to review. Julie asked if Ed Wenger should be in attendance for these meetings. Colin stated he didn't think it was necessary for him to be there. Skyler suggested we do the changes then send them to Ed Wenger for his thoughts and or suggestions. Paula will contact the Resident representative, Dan Corbin. Julie will reach out to John Jackson and make him aware of it so he can contact the Planning Commission members. Julie asked if it needs to be advertised. There was some discussion. Julie will contact Atty. Greco for his advice. (The meetings were already advertised for the Planning Commission).

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Road Status Report –The crew pushed back drifts from the snowstorm. They replaced downed signs, they worked on the equipment, and they replaced items that were damaged by the power surge. They also graded an area of Carroll and added stone to it. They are working with Julie on coming up with a plan for this year's roadwork. Colin stated that the COG will be opening the Aggregate bids on March 20th.

Zoning Investigations – Ed Wenger sent a letter to the Kemper's on Captain Bloom Road advising them that no on can live in the travel trailer they have parked on their property. Ed also stated that he was told there is a warrant out for the arrest of the Sinsel's since they failed to attend the hearing at the Magistrate's office. Julie received a complain yesterday about someone in the Points feeding feral cats and there being an increase of wild animals because of it (Skunk, raccoon, etc.). She advisded them that she did not think tha the township had any ordinance regarding that but would check with zoning. She spoke with Ed. W. and he stated that there is nothing we can do. She will call the resident and tell him the same.

Government Funds – Colin read aloud the reply Julie received from Sam Hallman from SEC TV. The notes stated **"We have the equipment installed in the telecom cabinet and have been performing testing. All is good there. There is fiber splicing work to be completed and then we test each tap port for light signal and fiber strand verification. The fiber optic cable drop line to homes connects the tap port to the ONT device we place in the home. Depending on the weather, we hope to complete the fiber splicing and testing during the first quarter so that we can begin performing installations in late March.** Julie did receive an email from a resident requesting an update, so she provided this information to them.

Tyler Karycki/Bill Yost – Property Issue – Atty. Greco sent an email to Atty. Bathgate.

Stormwater Management Ordinance -Atty. Greco is going to prepare something for the next meeting. A fee schedule will need to be created.

Hazen Road Turn around - Mark Hassinger – Colin stated that Julie has suggested they hire the company that was used previously for drone work. Julie explained that it was actually Paula Greco that suggested it. Colin stated that we have used them in the past and it was very helpful. Colin made a motion to have Julie contact 'On the Fly' and have them get the drone footage. Skyler seconded the motion. Motion passed without opposition.

Solar Farm – Nothing more currently.

Road Bonding – Colin will speak to Barry about it when he sees him at the next COG meeting.

Generator and Propane Tank –Julie spoke with Curtis O'Neil from Light-Heigle and he said that the PA UCC doesn't address the propane tanks. He stated that the Board doesn't need anything from him to install the tank. Julie contacted Ed Wenger about a zoning permit, and he told her that there is nothing specific in our zoning. The Board discussed this and decided it is something to be addressed in the upcoming meetings where we will be updating the zoning. She will continue to get prices for the installation.

Comfort Road Fire Training – 104 Comfort Road – Julie has not received any information from the fire company yet. She stated she had called Jay Long (Sunbury Fire Co) that morning and he told her everything is finished, and he would send her the paperwork that night. Colin said they cannot do it until we have the paperwork.

Jarrett Road – Julie spoke with Atty. Greco and he had a thought/suggestion about it which she told him she would speak to our Engineer Mike Brinkash about. Julie spoke to Mike today and

he said that the suggestions would only be a band-aid to the problem. He suggested we have them go out and do a few measurements on the cross sections and things needed for a permit (which we will need if any project is done). Once he gets the actual measurements, he will see what the largest pipe is (to have the right amount of cover for) that we can put in. He then said we could apply for a dirt and gravel road grant and hope to get it. If we find it over tops a few years down the road then perhaps we will have to revisit with the idea of a second pipe. Skyler asked how much it will cost to have Brinkash and Associates do these measurements. Julie said she was not sure. She stated that for the many, many times she and Mike talk about different Township issues he has never charged the township for the time spent in the calls where he is advising us. Colin made a motion to have Mike get the measurements. Julie seconded the motion. The motion passed without opposition.

Spring Road Inspection – March 18th at 3 PM is the next Road inspection. The Board and Crew will eat dinner together and then immediately following it we will have an employee meeting. Julie said once the inspection is finished, they will know better if the numbers they have for the upcoming road work are accurate.

Possible Claim from Loss of Power/Generator Arc – Julie has been keeping a running tally on all the items damaged and needing replaced. She also contacted the insurance agency to make them aware of the situation. The total of the claim will be $739.35 but after the $500 deductible, the township will only receive $239.35. Julie reminded the Board that for many of the past 20 years we have received dividend checks from the Insurance Company totally in the $1,000's. for low claim exposure. She wondered if this will affect their dividend check. The Board decided she should call the Insurance Agent and discuss the matter with him. If it involves losing funds from the dividend check it may not be worth submitting.

NEW BUSINESS

Review of and authorization to pay all bills- Skyler made a motion to pay all bills. Julie seconded the motion. Motion passed without opposition.

Other New Business – Julie stated that Atty. Greco was contacted about our portion of the payment for the Worker's Compensation for Stonington Fire Company, carried by Shamokin Township. They explained to Skyler that a few years back we were notified that we would have to help pay for the percentage of calls that were made for our township. Julie stated that the list this year shows a total percentage of .236 of the calls were in Rockefeller. Colin questioned it because he doesn't understand why they would be going out on calls for downed trees when our crews take care of that. The total for that is 16. If that were deducted the percentage owed would be considerably less. Julie stated she would see if Atty. Greco could find out about that. In the meantime, she stated she had contacted Atty. Greco to ask what the total premium for the policy is because the Board cannot figure out what we owe without that figure. Atty. Greco wrote Juile and said he would write Atty. Bathgate again about it.

Julie brought up a second issue being the process of destroying old files. She explained to Skyler

that this had been discussed in the past and we were going to look into hiring a shredding company to do the work. Julie said when she spoke to a few she learned that they would rather come when we have a large amount of work to be shredded. She explained to the Board that the files they would be destroying at this time is only payroll records from 2016 and before. She stated that the State has a large book that regulates what should be stored and what can be destroyed. She wants to at least start working on this because space is a premium. Skyler suggested a company in Williamsport which Julie stated she had contacted. The issue is these are payroll records, and they contact a lot of personal data including social security numbers. After some discussion it was decided that Julie would destroy the records by burning them. There is a resolution that has been prepared and will be on the agenda for the next meeting. Whenever records are destroyed a resolution must be passed listing exactly what records they were. Skyler made a motion that Julie be allowed to burn the records once the resolution is passed. Julie seconded the motion. Motion passed without opposition.

Residents Comments – Nothing

Motion to Adjourn- Colin made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:40 p.m. Julie seconded the motion. Motion passed without opposition.

FIRST NATIONAL -General	$ 207,087.18*
FIRST NATIONAL Gen. Savings	$ 20,021.84*
FIRST NATIONAL- State	$ 18,401.91 *
FIRST NATIONAL-State Savings	$ 29,521.57*
EQUIPMENT FUND	$ 39,691.62*
Grant Income Account	$ 200,649.24*

Respectfully Submitted~

Julie A. Powell,
Administrator & Supervisor