

WEST PIKE RUN TOWNSHIP
Board of Supervisors
Meeting June 17th, 2019
Regular Business Meeting

CALL TO ORDER

The West Pike Run Township Board of Supervisors met in regular session on Monday, June 17th 2019. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by Chairlady Laura Hough.

PLEADGE & Roll Call: Present at the meeting, Chairlady Laura Hough, Supervisor Rick Molish, Supervisor Phil Podroskey, Solicitor Makel, Secretary Frank Muccino.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

Gary Chernay- Discussed issue at the Thomas property concerning ducks still being there and fence not being fully completed per court order.

Colleen Tiberie – Question the bill paid to HMT for \$997.50 on April 8 2019. Was explained that bill was for service for air study at Mad Dog Well, meetings with Psi to obtain proposal, and researching others who could do similar studies. Also had meeting with EQT concerning Roads, Gate Issues, as well as the Air issues at Mad Dog. EQT response to the air issues at Mad Dog was they didn't observe any problems. Per conversation with them they didn't have any test but they said they had no leaks or blow offs on that site

Dale Tiberie- Spoke to the Supervisors about the emissions still present in his yard. Stated that Environmental Health Project installed a sensor to monitor the emissions and that Purple Air is reading the results using EPA standards. He stated that the samples have been reading above the 50 which is the minimum for air quality. In conversation with Fair Shake Environmental group he was made aware that the DEP approved permits for the drilling of 2 new wells. When contacting DEP and asked how they could approve the permits, they responded by saying there no violations. He told the supervisors that the DEP came out to his property and set up the camera, and found the BPX tank leaking air for the fourth time in less than a year, and 2 out of 5 GPU units (Gas Processing Units) also leaking emissions. 2 well heads were also emitting emissions. He also stated that the gate is still being left open. Solicitor Makel explained he wrote a letter and Email to EQT concerning the gate issue giving them 10 calendars days to rectify the problem. He has received a response from Casey Durdines stating he will bring the issue to his production team and explain the seriousness of this problem. He also stated that Equitrans is a separate company and we will need to contact them directly. Solicitor Makel explained they can be fined a \$1000.00 a day. He also stated the township can deny any conditional

use applications moving forward. Mr. Tiberie also asked about the Supreme Court decision in Jefferson Township. Solicitor Makel said he didn't have time to read it. Mr. Tiberie also stated he would like township to stay transparent on all issues going on in the township.

Paul Becka- Spoke about the gates being left open on the Hopkins- Hill Pad for the past 3 months. Also spoke about the activity increasing on the pad which is creating a lot of dirt, debris and a lot of dust coming onto his property which creates a cleanup issue. Spoke about Article he read concerning air quality monitoring in Houston PA, advised board about making sure monitors are down wind of the plant.

Walter King- Asked about the Occupation privilege tax passed in October, if the people working at the wells and compressor station are paying those.

Approval of Minutes:

Approval of Minutes for regular business meeting May 20th 2019
Motion made by, Rick Molish 2nd by Phil Podroskey, Motion Carried.

REPORTS

Police Report: Motion made by, Rick Molish 2nd by Phil Podroskey, Motion Carried.

Animal Control: Motion made by, Rick Molish 2nd by Phil Podroskey, Motion Carried.

Secretary-Treasurer: Motion made by, Rick Molish 2nd by Phil Podroskey, Motion Carried.

Road Report: Trying to catch up with the mowing, and one dirt road project, Birch Road Bridge project going well. Working on Permanent fix for McGirt's Road. Solicitor Makel reported about meeting with HMT and EQT concerning McGirt's Road (see attached memo). Motion made by, Rich Molish, 2nd by Phil Podroskey Motion Carried.

Recreation NO Report

Gas Well: Solicitor Makel read report from Mike Kopar. (see memo). Board decided continued this meeting till June 27, 2019 at 6:30 pm to hear from Mr. Kopar and EPHP Environmental Health Representatives. Solicitor Makel also stated that his office is researching what the law provides in terms of jurisdiction, air quality and what township can do in terms of going after EQT. Motion made by Rick Molish, 2nd By Phil Podroskey.

Meetings & Seminars: No Report

Code Enforcement: Motion made by, Rick Molish 2nd by Phil Podroskey, Motion Carried.

Engineering Report: Motion made by, Rick Molish 2nd by Phil Podroskey, Motion Carried.

CORRESPONDENCE: No Report.

BILLS & PAYROLL:

Colleen Tiberie – Asked about Payment Made to General Code.

Motion made by, Rick Molish 2nd by Phil Podroskey,
Motion Carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Paul Selestow Property was started to be cleared out on June 17th, 2019
Motion made by, Rick Molish 2nd by Phil Podroskey,
Motion Carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Motion to: Approve the Purchase of Aluminum Box Culvert for Birch Road Bridge pursuant to Costars and to lowest supplier of the same. Motion made by, Rick Molish 2nd by Phil Podroskey, Motion Carried.
- Motion to: Accept recommendation from planning commission to approve Weinzen Subdivision. Motion made by, Rick Molish 2nd by Phil Podroskey, Motion Carried.
- Motion to: Accept recommendation from planning commission to approve Crockett Subdivision. Motion made by, Rick Molish 2nd by Phil Podroskey, Motion Carried.
- Motion To: Reconvene Meeting till June 27 2019 @6:30 pm. Motion made by, Rich Molish 2nd by Phil Podroskey, Motion Carried

With no Further business the Meeting was Adjourned @ 7:47 pm


Frank Muccino, Secretary / Treasurer

