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**Monthly Meeting**

**March 7, 2024**

The Keating Township Supervisors met on March 7, 2024 at 6:00 pm in the Township Building with Chairman David McClain bringing the meeting to order and leading the Pledge of Allegiance. Supervisors Anderson, Herzog, Secretary Bowser and sixteen (16) township residents attended the meeting.

The Minutes of February 1st, 2024, board meeting was approved with correction under Communication on the PSATS Bidding and motioned by Supervisor McClain/2<sup>nd</sup> Anderson.

**TREASURER’S REPORT** showed the following bank balances:

	<b>GENERAL FUND</b>	<b>STATE AID</b>	<b>SEWER</b>	Period of	02/01/2023 to 03/07/2024	
Petty Cash	176.61	-	247.71	General Fund	Receipts	\$ 86,572.53
JVB-Checking	378,287.48	2,390.99	42,108.73		Expenses	\$ 50,135.09
PLIGT-Savings	602,089.80	363,652.15	668,276.80		Interest Income	\$ 2,909.33
PLGIT-Class Hamlin-MM	157.42 1,994.94	-			Checks No.	9772-9853
Hamlin - Impact	122,278.40			State Aid	Receipts	\$ 188,990.93
Hamlin - Road Bond	709.01				Expenses	\$ -
NWS-Checking		-	67,204.29		Interest Income	\$ 757.35
Hamlin Checking	10,547.58	-			Checks No.	
	\$ 1,116,241.24	\$ 366,043.14	\$ 777,837.53			
UNPAID EXPENSES	\$ 16,596.34	\$ -	\$ 13,352.77	Sewer	Receipts	\$ 23,361.91
					Expenses	\$ 32,758.12
					Interest Income	\$ 2,775.91
					Check No.	3930-3953

A motion was made by Supervisor McClain/2<sup>nd</sup> Herzog, to accept the Treasurer’s Report, pending audit. Motion carried unanimously. By motion of Supervisor McClain/2<sup>nd</sup> Anderson, it was unanimously agreed to pay the bills as listed on the Expense Report for a total of \$29,949.11, including Sewer Expenses of \$13,352.77 and General Expenses of \$16,596.34.

**PUBLIC HEARD:** Kevin Hartman inquired if any updates on the campers on Route 646.

**BIDS:** None

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

- 1) Hamlin Library Report
- 2) Smethport Fire Report
- 3) Hilltop Fire Report- December and January

**ROAD MASTER REPORT:** Supervisor Anderson read what the road crew had accomplished in February. Report attached.

**SEWER REPORT:** Supervisor McClain read what the sewer accomplished in February. Report attached.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

- 1) A motion was made by Supervisor McClain/2<sup>nd</sup> Herzog to advertise Excavator on Municibid. Motion carried unanimously. The supervisors agreed to readvertise Bobcat Excavator for bid.
- 2) Set the date for Spring Clean-up – May 6<sup>th</sup> and May 7<sup>th</sup>
- 3) A motion was made by Supervisor McClain/2<sup>nd</sup> Herzog to accept the proposal for Wolf Run road sewer connection by Larson Design Group proposal for Approximately \$10,000-\$15,000. Motion carried unanimously.
- 4) A motion was made by Supervisor McClain/2<sup>nd</sup> Anderson for LDG/Pennvest to do a feasibility study to get water to Aiken and Pithole. Motion carried unanimously.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

- 1) The Supervisors discussed a new hire, with Buck retiring. They would like to bring someone in to get them up to speed before he is gone. A motion made by Supervisor McClain/2<sup>nd</sup> Herzog to advertise for a new road worker. Motion carried unanimously.
- 2) Supervisor McClain introduced a new hire, Taylor Rittberg, brought on as clerk.
- 3) A motion by Supervisor McClain/2<sup>nd</sup> Anderson to accept Bassett Engineering Agreement for Bordell Road Bridge. Motion carried unanimously.
- 4) Supervisor Anderson explained into detail, the Agreement with the Conservation District. About grinding  $\frac{3}{4}$  mile on Lafayette to turn back into dirt. Our cost of expenses would be approx. \$5,000. Motion was made by Supervisor McClain/2<sup>nd</sup> Anderson. Motion carried unanimously.
- 5) Notification from UGI- Chapter 105 Permit go to Open Brook through Liberty and Keating Township to do some repairs.
- 6) Road Repair Agreement with IWI. Keating Township will be responsible for repairing the road and reclaiming the blacktop. IWI to make payment of \$25,000 to Keating. Motion was made by Supervisor McClain/2<sup>nd</sup> Anderson to the Road Repair Agreement with IWI. Motion carried unanimously.
- 7) New Ordinances. Discussed the continuation of updating ordinances to be implemented in the near future.
- 8) Supervisor McClain/2<sup>nd</sup> Anderson made a motion to advertise a bid Chip Stone-1400 tons. Motion carried unanimously.
- 9) Summer help- High School Graduate or College Student. Advertise by word of mouth.
- 10) Office Renovation. Supervisor McClain/2<sup>nd</sup> Anderson to put out for bid on some quotes for office renovations. Motion carried unanimously.
- 11) Workshop-None
- 12) Assessor's Office-
- 13) Supervisor Anderson discussed possible grants for sewer for Pierce Brook and Stickles towards Norwich - Grants due by the end of May.
- 14) John Stratton inquired about if Roulette Township has had success with the ordinances for animals. He would also like the ordinance to be on the website when it comes to be. Supervisor McClain stated that the ordinance will have to be voted on in a meeting first and then, once approved, will be put on the website.
- 15) John Stratton also inquired about the injection well. Supervisor McClain explained that there are 16 appeals against the DEP for the permit to operate. He expressed that from the information he has gathered from the appeals, he does think the Injection Well is going to go in, but assured the public that we are going to continue to work on clean water. John Stratton also mentioned Supervisors putting in a letter of support towards township members.

16) Mrs. McCabe asked about the mud and how they would address this, Supervisor McClain responded by stating that it will be PennDot to be the contact and Supervisor Herzog stated that it is usually blacktop, which should help with the mud.

17) **NEXT MEETING:** will be held on April 4, 2024 at 6:00 pm in the Township Building.

18) **NEXT WORKSHOP:** will be held on September 19, 2024 at 5:00 pm in the Township Building.

19) **ADJOURNMENT:** was heard at 6:50 P.M.

Respectfully submitted, Taylor Rittberg, Clerk