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**Monthly Meeting**

**May 2nd 2024**

The Keating Township Supervisors met on May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 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 Rittberg and five (5) township residents attended the meeting.

The Minutes of April 4<sup>th</sup>, 2024, board meeting was approved with the motion made by Supervisor McClain/2<sup>nd</sup> Anderson. Motion carried unanimously.

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

	<b>GENERAL FUND</b>	<b>STATE AID</b>	<b>SEWER</b>	Period of 04/5/24-5/1/2024		
Petty Cash	176.61	-	247.71	General Fund	Receipts	\$ 147,793.42
JVB-Checking	425,362.00	2364.58	7,884.08		Expenses	\$ 37,923.92
PLIGT-Savings	602,089.80	357,859.83	580,721.42		Interest Income	\$
PLGIT-Class Hamlin-MM	1,994.94	-			Checks No.	9880-9914
Hamlin - Impact	122,278.40			State Aid	Receipts	\$
Hamlin - Road Bond	709.01				Expenses	\$ -
NWS-Checking		-	37,386.0		Interest Income	\$
Hamlin Checking	11938.14				Checks No.	
	\$ 1,072,547	\$ 360,223.58	\$ 658,885.81			
				Sewer	Receipts	\$ 38,789.75
UNPAID EXPENSES	\$ 28,352.62	\$ -	\$ 3,149.80		Expenses	\$ 15,050.47
					Interest Income	\$
					Check No.	4016-4024

A motion was made by Supervisor McClain/2<sup>nd</sup> Anderson, to accept the Treasurer’s Report. 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 \$28,352.62 including Sewer Expenses of \$3,149.80 and General Expenses of \$28,352.62.

**PUBLIC HEARD:**

Kevin Hartman: Wanted an update on Campers on Route 646: fines, sewage, generators, and garbage. Supervisor Anderson explained that the resident had purchased a Spring Clean Up for the following week, to get as much clean up as possible, and that the resident is moving out as well. This will take care of the sewage, generator, and garbage issues. Hartman then asked about the continuous hazard of the garbage that is left behind. Supervisor Anderson expressed that any volunteers to lend a helping hand for the spring clean-up from other residents in their area, would be much appreciated and could make the process go faster.

Jeffery: Wanted an update for the water project in Cyclone. He wanted to know if there is for sure going to be a treatment plant in Cyclone and how soon it will be coming. Supervisor McClain explained that it might take a few years for this to be complete, as we are in the feasibility stage of the Water Treatment Plan.

**BIDS:**

## **COMMUNICATIONS:**

- 1) Hamlin Library Report- None
- 2) Smethport Fire Report- None
- 3) Hilltop Fire Report- None
- 4) PSATS Report -None

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

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

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

- 1) Ambulance Service- Supervisor Herzog read the Port Ambulance Report, as they have been covering Keating Township. Waiting to hear about an update from Port Ambulance about joining forces with Keating Township, Smethport Borough, and Norwich Township. Port is working on insurance and liabilities, waiting to hear back from them.
- 2) Excavator Muncibid- Supervisor Anderson gave the update on the excavator trade. He explained that Brad Co is willing to trade a 2012 Hot Box and a 2014 Roller plus \$2,500.00 for the Excavator. A motion was made by Supervisor Anderson/2<sup>nd</sup> Herzog to trade the excavator to Brad Co for the Roller and 4-ton Hot Box, pending the inspection of both before trade for the excavator. Motion carried unanimously.
- 3) Hilltop Water Project Update- LDG Engineers expect their plan to be done in June and by July we should have an idea if we are going to build a new plant. Whether it be getting water from Bradford, or if we are going to build a new plant. Explained that we will have a meeting in the future with residents to discuss further details of the future plans of the Water Treatment Plant.
- 4) Multimodal Bordell Road Bridge/Reilly Hollow Grant: Supervisor McClain and Supervisor Anderson explained we are waiting approval to move the grant money from the Reilly Grant to be combine with Bordell Grant money, to be able to complete the Bordell Bridge Project in its entirety. Where we are going to complete the Reilly Hollow project on our own.
- 5) Muncibid Purchases-Supervisor McClain explained Muncibid purchases and that we cannot effectively bid on equipment from one meeting to another. Supervisor Anderson made a list of equipment we may need, this way we can have a minimum and maximum price for each piece of equipment that we may need, without having to wait until the next meeting.

A motion was made by Supervisor McClain/2<sup>nd</sup> Anderson to purchase a 1-Ton pick up any cab 4x4 on Muncibid with prices ranging from \$10,000- \$26,500 Each bid to be in \$1,500-\$2,000 increments by the year and bid must be placed by December 2024. Example: 2010/\$12,000 – 2020/\$26,500 Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Supervisor/2<sup>nd</sup> Anderson to purchase a ½ ton or ¾ ton Pick up on Muncibid. 2005-2015 ranging from \$5,000-\$15,000 each bid to be in \$1,000 increments by the year to be bid on by December 2024. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Supervisor/2<sup>nd</sup> Anderson to purchase a Paver on Muncibid for up to \$30,000, bid must be placed by December 2024. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Supervisor McClain/2<sup>nd</sup> Anderson to purchase a Chip Spreader Machine on Municibid for up to \$15,000, bid to be placed by December 2024. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Supervisor McClain/2<sup>nd</sup> Anderson to purchase a Dirt Roller on Municibid for up to \$80,000, bid must be placed by December 2024. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Supervisor McClain/2<sup>nd</sup> Anderson to purchase a Hot Box on Municibid for up to \$15,000, bid must be placed by December 2024. Motion carried unanimously.

Supervisor McClain brought up waiting on the purchase of a Vac Truck, all supervisors agreed and would come back to this purchase at a later date.

- 6) Nuisance Ordinance: Supervisor McClain explained the proposed ordinance with a quick summary. This included storing or accumulating abandoned or junked motor vehicles, junk material, abandoned or unoccupied building parts in a state of dilapidation or despair. Supervisor Herzog asked about farm equipment and if it was also included in this ordinance. Supervisor Anderson explained that if equipment is abandoned, then it is a nuisance, but frequently used equipment is not an issue.

A motion was made by Supervisor McClain/2<sup>nd</sup> Anderson to advertise our current Nuisance Ordinance. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- 1) Solar Ordinance: Supervisor McClain explained the proposed Solar Ordinance. The ordinance summary he explained was that all person, partnerships, businesses, and corporations are to obtain a permit for any construction or development of a Solar Energy System; providing for the issuance of such permits; setting forth certain requirements for the new construction and development within areas of Keating Township; and establishing penalties for any person who fail, or refuse to comply with, the requirements or provisions of the Solar Ordinance. He also explained that if a resident wanted a Solar System for their house, this would not be included in this ordinance, and they would not need to obtain a permit for such. He also explained that an independent review by an engineered storm water management would need to be a part of 104.A for projects over 2 acres.

A motion was made by Supervisor McClain/2<sup>nd</sup> Anderson to advertise our current Solar Energy Ordinance. Motion carried unanimously.

- 2) Marty-Wilder-Water Project: Marty explained how there is potentially a lot of money available for grants for our future water projects. Penn Vest wants to get a meeting together for people that are involved with the water project in Cyclone. Supervisor McClain explained to Marty, that the current plan we have is Penn Vest funded with grant money and that we are in motion already, with the feasibility study. She then went on to explain how she wants to know if supervisors are interested in going to any meetings after July, when we should hear back from our engineers (LDG). Supervisors all agreed to get together for any meetings about a water treatment plan, to be able to help as much as possible. Supervisor Anderson told Marty that there might be something she could help with, in the meantime, that would be to see if there is any grant money offered to help the small water companies, such as Rew and Pit Hole Water, because they need help and funding. Just to bridge between the time of the new Water Treatment Project Kickoff.

- 3) Workshop- None
- 4) Assessor's Office

- 5) **NEXT MEETING:** will be held on June 6<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at 6:00 PM in the Township Building.
- 6) **NEXT WORKSHOP:** will be held on September 19, 2024 at 5:00 pm in the Township Building.
- 7) **ADJOURNMENT:** was heard at 7:08 P.M.

Respectfully submitted, Taylor Rittberg, Secretary/Treasurer