

## WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP COUNCIL MEETING –OCTOBER 19, 2021

**CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Feikles called the Washington Township Council Meeting to order the October 19, 2021, at 4:30 P.M. at the Washington Township Administration Building at 11800 Edinboro Road, Edinboro, PA. Also present were Vice-Mayor Renick, Councilperson Campbell, Councilperson Laythe, and Councilman Dillen. Also attending were Manager Willow, Zoning Administrator Lovell, James & Linda Cook and Brian Burke.

**AGENDA APPROVAL:** It was voted on a motion by Campbell, second by Renick, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

**COUNCIL MINUTES:** It was voted on a motion by Campbell, second by Laythe, to approve the Minutes of the October 5<sup>th</sup>, 2021 Regular Meeting. Motion carried unanimously. It was voted on a motion by Renick, second by Dillen, to approve the Minutes of the October 5<sup>th</sup>, 2021 Public Hearing. Motion carried unanimously.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** The following checks presented for approval: General Fund #19806-19811, Sewer Fund #8302, payroll #17062-17071, and (Sewer) #10228. It was voted on a motion by Renick, second by Dillen, to approve all the checks as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

**SECRETARY'S REPORT:** • The Massey Ferguson tractor experienced a wiring harness failure while roadside mowing on Draketown Road, Harness was removed, repaired and replaced in a week by members of road crew, saving the township several thousand dollars in dealership towing and repair charges and lost service time. • Angling road plant has ongoing sporadic electronic problems with the #2 pump drive unit, technicians have been contacted. • Peninsula Park pavilion #1 rebuild has been completed: Footers were installed, new concrete pad is 6" higher than previous, metal roof has been installed.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** None.

**ZONING OFFICER'S REPORT:** Zoning Officer Lovell had nothing to report.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS:

**SEWER & WATER AUTH.** Mayor Feikles presented the October 14<sup>th</sup> meeting minutes.

**EDINBORO LIASON** Councilperson Campbell provided a verbal report.

**FIRE DEPT.** Vice-Mayor Renick gave a verbal report on the fire department and Engine House 39.

**WATERSHED ASSOC.** Councilperson Laythe gave a verbal report.

**PARKS & RECREATION** Councilperson Laythe presented the 10-5-2021 meeting minutes.

### OLD BUSINESS:

- A. At the request of Council for 2022 budget consideration, Township Engineer, Steve Halmi, provided council a \$140,000 estimate to replace the existing plastic culvert cross pipes on Gibson Hill Road, East of Capp Road, with a concrete Box culvert. Earlier this year, debris clogged the entrance to the 4' diameter main pipe causing water to top over the road. As with recent box culvert installations, most of the work would be performed by Township road-crew personnel. No action was required.
- B. At the request of Council, Developer, John Ponsoll, mailed a 30-day comment notification letter to property owners who may be affected by his proposed pressurized sewer extension in the right-of-way along a portion of Sherrod Hill Road starting approximately ¼ mile West of Fry Road and ending just west of Forrest Drive. The DEP application may be presented to Council no sooner than November 16th. Dwellings within 150' of the pressurized line are required to connect.

### NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Aged and degraded wiring to garage lights and baseboard heaters was found at the Angling Road plant, after a discussion, It was voted on a motion by Feikles, second by Campbell, to approve upgrading the heating system with a natural gas and AC system; estimated cost of \$3,500. Unit to be installed by Township sewer operator, Dan Adams. Motion carried unanimously.

- B. **It was voted** on a motion by Campbell, second by Renick, to approve putting numerous unused items from sewer plant inventory on Muncibid. Any items that do not sell can be donated or thrown away. **Motion carried unanimously.**
- C. Manager Willow presented Council with the draft budget for 2022 for their input and consideration. No action required.

**VISITORS COMMENTS:** Linda and Jim Cook, 5730 Sherrod Hill Road, asked several questions regarding the Ponsoll sewer extension project prompted by the notification letter they received in the mail.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** Council went into executive session to discuss a personnel matter

- After returning from executive session and a brief discussion, **It was voted** on a motion by Feikles, second by Campbell, to approve the hiring of Hannah Lovell as the Administrative Assistant. This position shall report directly to the Manager. The Township Zoning Officer, Chris Lovell, father of Hannah Lovell, shall continue to report directly to the Manager; neither employee will report to the other. **Motion carried unanimously.**

**ADJOURNMENT:** **It was voted** on a motion by Campbell, seconded by Dillen, to adjourn at 5:47 P.M.  
**Motion carried unanimously.**