

October 2, 2018

The Regular Meeting of the Hempfield Township Board of Supervisors was held on Tuesday evening, October 2, 2018, at 7:00 P.M. in the Hempfield Township Municipal Building.

All of the Supervisors were present. Caleb Stright who represented *The Record-Argus* was present.

Chairman Gary Hittle called the meeting to order.

Chairman Hittle opened the Public Comment portion of the meeting. There was no response.

Chairman Hittle said he would entertain a motion to dispense with, and approve, the reading of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 4, 2018. Supervisor Geisel made the motion to approve and dispense with the reading of the minutes. The motion was duly seconded by Supervisor Hittle and unanimously approved by Chairman Hittle. Motion carried. Chairman Hittle said the minutes are a public document and may be viewed at the Township Building during regular business hours.

Chairman Hittle said the Secretary would now open the bids for the lease of twenty-two (22) acres of Township land located at the corner of Fredonia and St. Glory roads for farming/agricultural use from January, 2019 through December of 2021. The secretary opened 4 bids: Erwin Hostetler of 452 Fredonia Road had the winning bid of \$112 per acre per year. Supervisor Geisel made the motion to approve the bid. The motion was duly seconded by Supervisor Hittle and unanimously approved by Chairman Hittle. Motion carried.

Next on the agenda, Chairman Hittle stated the Township would need to officially close Hempfield Township Municipal Park for the winter. In the past, the park has been closed on November 1st. Supervisor Geisel made a motion to officially close Hempfield Township Park on Monday, November 5th, 2018. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Hittle and unanimously approved by Chairman Hittle. Motion carried.

Chairman Hittle said the Supervisors need to remind residents that Halloween Trick or Treat in the Township is Saturday, October 27th, 2017 from 4:00 P.M. to 6:00 P.M., following the Parade which begins at 2:00 P.M.

Chairman Hittle said the Supervisors would like to remind Township residents that it is illegal to deposit leaves into their ditches along the roads without burning the leaves and removing any remaining debris. It is also illegal to push/rake leaves onto any public roads in the Township. In addition, a verbal permit for leaf burning must be obtained by contacting the Township building during regular weekday hours, or the Hempfield Police Department or Hempfield Township VFD during evening and weekend hours.

Chairman Hittle said the Supervisors need to approve participation by The Hempfield Township Volunteer Fire Department. Secretary Hittle read the activities report: October 4 – Training; October 8 – Directors and Membership Meetings, October 11 – Dairy Queen Fundraiser and training; October 18 – Training; October 23-County Fire Chiefs Meeting; October 24- North Group Training at Station 78; October 27- Trunk or treat at HVFD. Supervisor Geisel made a motion to approve Fire Department members to participate in the above mentioned activities. Supervisor Hittle seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved by Chairman Hittle. Motion carried.

Next on the agenda is the viewing of reports of the various Township Departments for the month of September. Chairman Hittle said that these documents may also be viewed by the public. First viewed was the September report from the Police Department. The report showed that the men worked a total of 744 man-hours and traveled 6,029 miles. There were ten (10) accidents reported with two injuries. Thirty-one (31) traffic citations were issued during September. Property stolen was reported at \$930.96 with all property being recovered. No property damage was reported. There were four (4) non-traffic citations issued. There were 586 criminal incidents, 253 service, 73 police information, and 15 additional traffic incidents.

The September report from the Hempfield Township Volunteer Fire Department was then viewed. There were Eleven (11) incidents in the district. 6 EMS and 5 Fires. Mutual Aid was provided one time.

There were four (4) zoning permits issued in September by the Zoning Administrator. They were issued to Diana Miller of 24 Woodbine Drive for a Mother-In-Law Suite at an estimated market value of \$20,000.00; Alan J. Saadi of 186 Donation Road for a Car Port at an estimated market value of \$3000.00; Chad Patterson of 29 Gruber Road for a Garage Addition at an estimated market value of \$22,000.00 and Jennilyn Ferguson of 311 Quailvue Road for a Porch Roof at an estimated market value of \$100.00.

Last viewed was the report of major work performed by the Maintenance Crew. Mowed berms along Township Roads; Repaired fuel leak on Massey Ferguson Tractor; Cut up downed tree at Hempfield Park; Cut up downed tree along Mehard Avenue; Checked ditches and cleaned off catch basins; Cleaned up broken utility pole on Mehard Avenue; Cut berm along Hamburg Road; Inspected sewer lateral repair at 15 Holiday Lane; Repaired drive sprocket on Elgin Street Sweeper; Replaced orbital valve/steering column on Massey Ferguson Tractor; Picked up 99 International Truck from Zacheral Motors in Clarion, Pa for a fuel pump replacement and delivered it to Seigworth Truck Sales and Service for installation and repair of Snow Plow receiver; Took HTPD Unit#3 to McCandless Ford for repairs to the drive train; Repaired water fountain at Hempfield Park Pavilion #2; Mowed locals around Township; Washed HTPD vehicles various times; Put up and took down flags at Park for Labor Day; Fixed picnic tables at Park; Mowed at Park; Set up Park for rentals; Installed road sign on Hudson Drive; Painted Railroad Crossing road signs on Salem, St. Glory, Blahut, Scott and Hamburg Roads; Repaired seat on Massey Ferguson Tractor; Repaired stop

light on Chipper; Switched tire rim on HTPD Unit#3; Removed mower and installed ditcher on Massey Ferguson Tractor; Installed new choke cable on Ex-Mark Mower; Power washed runner rugs in HTPD; Cleaned Park; Mowed Bigler Cemetery; Marked Williamson Road for line painting; Worked on Barricade Signs; Worked on GMC Dump for inspection; Took GMC Dump to Swingles for inspection; Worked on roof of HTPD for water leak.

Chairman Hittle opened the miscellaneous portion of the meeting. Caleb Stright from the Record-Argus asked Secretary Hittle a few questions regarding the Land lease awarded.

There being no further business or public comment, Chairman Hittle said he would entertain a motion that checks be issued in payment of all utility bills, and that all other bills be checked and upon approval, be paid. The motion was made by Supervisor Geisel, duly seconded by Supervisor Hittle and unanimously approved by Chairman Hittle. Motion carried.

Supervisor Todd Hittle made a motion for adjournment. It was duly seconded by Supervisor Geisel and unanimously approved by Chairman Hittle. Motion carried. Chairman Hittle declared the meeting adjourned.

Todd P. Hittle, Township Secretary

GENERAL FUND:

Aqua Fresh Inc.	\$ 71.10
Brownie’s Oil.....	\$ 639.65
BSFCU.....	\$ 290.30
Campbell-Peterson Trail and Turf.....	\$ 33.54
Companion Life.....	\$ 315.17
David A. Geisel	\$ 239.36
DCED.....	\$ 58.50
Wallace & Dibble, LLC.....	\$ 500.00
National Fuel.....	\$ 49.02
Greenville Water Co.....	\$ 785.27
Hittle Auto Supply.....	\$ 514.21
HTMA.....	\$ 129.78
Hempfield Township VFD.....	\$ 18,303.52
R.N. Goss Gas Products.....	\$ 9.00
John Hancock (USA).....	\$ 23,711.00
John Hancock (USA).....	\$ 81,211.14
Joy Peterson.	\$ 240.00
MCRPC.....	\$ 648.00
John Prosek.....	\$ 1,005.00
Greenville Record-Argus.....	\$ 44.10
Roger R. Shaffer.....	\$ 1,000.00
Qualification Targets.....	\$ 108.72
Rowes Auto Parts.....	\$ 40.00
Shred-It USA.....	\$ 94.18

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Swingles Automotive.....	\$ 39.00
Steven R. Vosler.....	\$ 225.00
Watson's Inc.....	\$ 3.85
Wal-Mart.....	\$ 29.68
Waste Management.....	\$ 84.97
Witmer Associates.....	\$ 168.78

STATE FUND:

Penn Power.....	\$ 2,091.69
Packard Paint.....	\$ 99.95
A & H Equipment.....	\$ 345.04
U.S. Municipal.....	\$ 54.01
Zacheral Motor Truck Sales Inc.....	\$ 1,029.88