

North Buffalo Township
March 21, 2018

The North Buffalo Township Board of Supervisors met at the Municipal Building at 7:00 p.m., March 21, 2018 with Supervisors David Wolfe, Clark Whiteman and Jennifer Matarrese, Secretary Pam Bowser, Police Chief Jason Hufhand and approximately 15 township citizens in attendance.

Dave Wolfe called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., led the Pledge of Allegiance and made the announcement that the meeting was being audio recorded.

Dave Wolfe made the motion to approve the minutes of the February 21, 2018 Supervisors' Meeting. Jennifer Matarrese seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

Clark Whiteman made the motion to approve the bills as presented on the Bill List with General Fund checks #25751 through #25797 in the amount of \$30,856.19, General Fund electronic debits in the amount of \$16,475.52 and State Fund checks #662 through #666 in the amount of \$11,603.59. Dave Wolfe seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

Jennifer Matarrese made the motion to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented, with Clark Whiteman seconding the motion. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

Police Chief Jason Hufhand gave the monthly police activity report.

Fire Chief Tom Atwood from West Kittanning Fire Department gave the monthly fire response report for West Kittanning.

Dave Wolfe then gave the Road Master's Report. The road crew has been starting at 5 am for snow. They have been busy with snow plowing and cleaning up downed trees. The wiring harness was repaired on the Ford F-550. The township purchased an Ingersoll Rand Vibratory Roller and completed the road survey. The Road Master is proposing to do two road projects and underdrain for Miller Lane and the back side of Beckett Road, completely replacing base and resurfacing. The supervisors have not been happy with the quality of contractor's work for tar/chip. The supervisors are also proposing that the township get the oil sprayed by a contractor and then have the township road crew do the chipping and rolling. The road crew has also been fixing signs throughout the township. Dave also reported that a grant has been obtained through the Dirt and Gravel, Low Volume Roads program to address the flooding issue on Shady Lane and Roundtop Drive.

Under new business, Dave Wolfe announced that the supervisors met in executive session on February 27, 2018 for the road survey and discussion of personnel and ongoing legal proceedings and also on February 28, 2018 to discuss equipment and meet with representatives from Snyder Brothers regarding seismic testing.

North Buffalo Township is enrolled in a safety program through John Graff Insurance Agency. John Graff attended the meeting to present to the township a dividend check through the safety program for the year 2017 in the amount of \$4,151.15. The previous year the township was newly enrolled in the safety program for only three months and received a dividend in the amount of \$1,591.00.

The next item on the agenda was the approval of a seismic testing permit application from Precision Geophysical, a sub-contractor for Snyder Brothers. Representatives from Precision Geophysical and Snyder Brothers were in attendance. The representatives from Snyder Brothers made a request to the Board of Supervisors to be able to use the \$5,000 escrow previously paid to the township for the seismic testing permit toward the inspection fees for the road bond. At 7:51 p.m. Board Chairman Dave Wolfe called to recess the meeting to further investigate the request in regard to the pertaining ordinances. At 7:58 the meeting was reconvened. The request was denied for the reason that the \$5,000 escrow required and the road inspection fees required are from two separate ordinances. Dave Wolfe made the motion to approve the seismic testing permit application from Precision Geophysical provided that the road bond inspection fees are paid and the road bond is approved. Clark Whiteman seconded the motion, all voted in favor and the motion carried. Dave Wolfe then made the motion to approve Road Bond RB-18-1 for Precision Geophysical with Jennifer Matarrese seconding the motion. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

Dave Wolfe made the motion to approve the purchase of the Ingersoll Rand Vibratory Roller for the purchase price of \$8,500, which includes delivery. Clark Whiteman seconded the motion, all voted in favor and the motion carried.

The supervisors then discussed setting the date and time for clean-up day. Dave Wolfe proposed only having one for the year due to the rising cost. Clark Whiteman proposed to hold it in August. Jennifer Matarrese made the motion to set the date and time for clean-up day for Saturday, August 18, 2018 from 8 am to 4 pm. Clark Whiteman seconded the motion, all voted in favor, and the motion carried.

After public comment, Clark Whiteman made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:16 p.m. Jennifer Matarrese seconded the motion, all voted in favor, and the motion carried.

Pamela L. Bowser
North Buffalo Township Secretary