



**HOWE TOWNSHIP**  
**Forest County**  
Regular Meeting  
October 10, 2012  
5:00 PM

**ADMINISTRATION PRESENT.**

Supervisors: Robert A. Summer, Chairman/Roadmaster  
Larry L. Loxley, Vice Chairman  
Frank W. Polovich

Secretary/Treasurer/Code Enforcement:  
Marjorie E. Villarreal

The meeting was called to order and the Pledge of Allegiance recited. Dolores Loxley, Sabra and Joseph Paskey were the guests.

**SEPTEMBER 12, 2012 REGULAR MEETING.**

A motion made by Loxley and seconded by Polovich was passed unanimously to approve the September 12, 2012 Regular Meeting minutes.

**SEPTEMBER TREASURER'S REPORT.**

A motion made by Loxley and seconded by Summers was passed unanimously to approve the September Treasurer's Report.

**ROADMASTER REPORT.**

Bob Summers, Roadmaster, said the last month has been spent catching up on right-of-way mowing after finally getting the mower repairs completed. He said we have also done a great deal of tail ditch work on T371, Job Corps and T358, Beaver Meadow Roads in anticipation of the increased traffic due to Shell's deep well construction site. He said Shell has added a great deal of DSA (driving surface aggregate) to the surface of T371, Job Corps Road and the gravel section of T358, Beaver Meadow Road until next spring/summer when Shell has agreed to do a pipe replacement and full depth reclamation on the road. Summers said the new (to us) shed at the garage has been converted to a lawn equipment and sign storage shed. He said new drains have been added to the office gutters and down spouts to carry the water away from the building. Our hope is to finish that "lawn" project soon this fall. He said there are a couple of equipment repairs to report this month. He said the exhaust on the Township pick up truck failed and was replaced with new parts. Summers said a grader tooth socket broke away from the blade and a new one had to be welded in. He said both repairs were made by the roadcrew. He said the fall leaf and ditch cleaning should begin soon as most of the leaves have fallen.

**CODE ENFORCEMENT REPORT.**

Marjorie Villarreal, Code Enforcement Officer, said she permitted SWEPI LP to travel with over weight vehicles on T371 Job Corps and T358 Beaver Meadows Roads for a year. She said she gave Allegheny Wood Products a Type 1 permit for 20 trips with over weight vehicles for T333 Bean Farm and T372 Fork Run Roads. Villarreal said she mailed two certified return receipt letters to seasonal property owners in Brookston, because she got complaints they were randomly shooting guns. The Supervisors talked to Sabra and Joe Paskey about the shooting in Brookston. Villarreal said the nuisance complaint in Brookston sent a letter to tell the Supervisors he had repaired and secured the hole in the roof of his shed. Shed said there were two building permits to approve. She said Ken and Sue Cartwright, on Watson Farm Road, SR 1005, placed an 18 x 21 carport on their property and Bill Leichtenberger, off of Route 948, applied to remove a building from his property.

A motion made by Loxley and seconded by Povolich was passed unanimously to approve the building permits.

**EMPLOYEE PAYROLL RAISES.**

A motion made by Loxley and seconded by Polovich was passed to give the full time employees 3% pay raises in 2013 with Loxley and Polovich voting yes and Summers abstaining.

**CALCIUM CHLORIDE PLATFORM.**

A motion made by Summers and seconded by Polovich was passed unanimously to replace the calcium chloride platform for \$600.00.

**TRANSFER MONEY TO SAVINGS.**

A motion made by Summers and seconded by Loxley was passed unanimously to transfer \$13,000.00 from checking into the INVEST General Fund.

**RADIO REPAIR.**

A motion made by Loxley and seconded by Polovich was passed unanimously to have RAMCO repair a radio for \$200.00.

**OFFICE RAMP REPLACEMENT.**

A motion made by Polovich and seconded by Loxley was passed unanimously to have the roadcrew replace the ramp at the township office building for approximately \$700.00 to \$800.00.

**FIRE EXTINGUISHERS.**

A motion made by Loxley and seconded by Polovich was passed unanimously to have all fire extinguishers inspected and serviced.

**FALL COUNTY CONVENTION.**

A motion made by Summers and seconded by Polovich was passed unanimously to pay for the Supervisors Fall County Convention dinners for \$43.50 and each the \$50.00 attendance fee.

**BILLS TO PAY.**

A motion made by Summers and seconded by Polovich was passed unanimously to pay the bills.

**MAIL AND TELEPHONE CORRESPONDENCE.**

Villarreal said Kay O'Rourke called and asked about becoming an auditor while being on the Election Board.

**GAS SMELL AT GARAGE ON ROUTE 66.**

A motion made by Polovich and seconded by Loxley was passed unanimously to contact the Environmental Protection Agency about the smell of gas at the garage.

**WINDSTREAM INTERNET.**

A motion made by Summers and seconded by Polovich was passed unanimously to get highspeed internet for the office from Windstream for an additional \$15.00 per month.

**TRACTOR BOOM MOWER TIRES.**

A motion made by Loxley and seconded by Polovich was passed unanimously to purchase two rear radial tractor tires 18.4-34 for \$2200.00.

**GRADER TIRES.**

A motion made by Summers and seconded by Loxley was passed unanimously to purchase four 14/24 grader tires for \$2200.00.

**BACKHOE CUTTING EDGES.**

A motion made by Loxley and seconded by Polovich was passed unanimously to purchase backhoe cutting edges for \$825.00.

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**ADJOURNMENT.**

The meeting adjourned at 5:55 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Marjorie E. Villarreal  
Secretary/Treasurer/Code Enforcement Officer

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