

HOWE TOWNSHIP

Forest County

Regular Meeting

March 9, 2011

2:00 PM

ADMINISTRATION PRESENT.

Supervisors:

Robert A. Summers, 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. Guests present were Dolores Loxley, Mike Arnold, Tom Havranek and Jack Sordoni, President of Homeland Energy Ventures.

FEBRUARY 9, 2011 REGULAR MEETING.

A motion made by Loxley and seconded by Summers was passed unanimously to approve the February 9, 2011 Regular Meeting minutes with the backhoe correction.

AMENDED DECEMBER 2010, AMENDED JANUARY 2011 AND FEBRUARY TREASURER'S REPORTS.

A motion made by Summers and seconded by Loxley was passed unanimously to approve the amended December 2010, amended January 2011 and February Treasurer's Reports.

ROADMASTER REPORT.

Bob Summers, Roadmaster, said he decided this week to close T371 Job Corps Road to all overweight vehicles. He said on Monday the road was soft and the International truck got stuck on T371 and had to be towed out. Summers said other than that they've been plowing snow.

CODE ENFORCEMENT REPORT.

Marjorie Villarreal, Code Enforcement Officer, said East Resources was sold and is now Shell Appalachia or SWEPI LP. She said she was working with the company to secure permits and maintenance agreements. She said she has permitted Duhring Resources, Pennsylvania General Energy, Catalyst Energy and Sheffield Land & Timber for year long over weight permits on various roads. Villarreal said on Tuesday she spoke to several companies and mailed letters about closing T371 Job Corps Road to over weight vehicles due to the spring thaw. She said the Supervisors received a letter from Warren Electric Cooperative asking for exception and exemption of posted weights for WEC utility service vehicles.

WARREN ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE.

A motion made by Summers and seconded by Loxley was passed unanimously to write a letter granting Warren Electric Cooperative an exception and exemption of posted weights for WEC utility service vehicles.

HOMELAND ENERGY VENTURES.

Homeland Energy Ventures President, Jack Sordoni, and several of his contractors spoke to the Roadmaster and Board of Supervisors discussing the closing of T371 Job Corps Road to over weight vehicles.

VERIZON BONA FIDE RETAIL REQUESTS.

A motion made by Summers and seconded by Polovich was passed unanimously to make and hang 12 laminated internet signs with BFRR (Bona Fide Retail Request) forms, purchase extra stamps and mail approximately 80 BFRR letters for the Pigeon/Route 66 corridor area of Verizon coverage along with anyone else that requests a BFRR form.

PRESS RELEASE FOR HIGH SPEED INTERNET.

A motion made by Loxley and seconded by Polovich was passed unanimously to advertise a BFRR press release in the Valley Voice, Forest Press, Times Observer, Derrick and Kane Republican as long as there is no cost.

NUISANCE ORDINANCE ADMENDMENT.

A motion made by Loxley and seconded by Polovich was passed unanimously to have the Solicitor advertise the adoption of Nuisance Ordinance Amendment 11-1.

OFFICE PURCHASE OF ENVELOPES.

A motion made by Summers and seconded by Loxley was passed unanimously for the Secretary to purchase 1000 double window envelopes from PLGIT for approximately \$100.00 with shipping.

USED AIR COMPRESSOR AND WELDING MACHINE.

A motion made by Summers and seconded by Polovich was passed unanimously for discussion to advertise for bids, with signs, the used air compressor and welding machine.

HIGHWAY SUPPLIES BIDS.

A motion made by Summers and seconded by Loxley was passed unanimously to advertise sealed bids for the following highway supplies: 400 ton DSA tailgated and spread by 6/10/2011 on T373, 400 ton DSA delivered to the garage by 6/17/2011, 800 ton #8 anti skid delivered to the garage by 8/19/2011, 9400 gallons of MC70 applied on various roads, weather permitting, by 6/24/2011 and 8750 sq yd, more or less, of Single Seal on T373 weather permitting, by 7/22/2011.

BILLS TO PAY.

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

HOWETWP.ORG DISCUSSION.

A motion made by Summers and seconded by Loxley was passed unanimously to discuss the townships web site.

MAIL AND TELEPHONE CONVERSATION.

Summers said that a letter was received from former part-time seasonal employee Shane Silvis saying that he was interested in working for the township again this summer. Summers said that he and the Secretary will compose a letter in reply. Summers said Silvis was a good employee and the money was budgeted for summer help. Summers said the township received a letter from Doug Carlson explaining the Dirt and Gravel Roads Grant Program. He said he will be applying for the grant maintenance money for the Rocky Run section of T371 Job Corps Road.

ADJOURNMENT.

A motion made by Loxley and seconded by Polovich was passed unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 3:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Marjorie E. Villarreal
Secretary/Treasurer/Code Enforcement Officer