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**HOWE TOWNSHIP**

**Forest County**

Regular Meeting

April 11, 2012

5:00 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. Guest present was Dolores Loxley

**MARCH 14, 2012 REGULAR MEETING.**

A motion made by Loxley and seconded by Polovich was passed unanimously to approve the March 14, 2012 Regular Meeting minutes.

**MARCH TREASURER'S REPORT.**

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

**ROADMASTER REPORT.**

Bob Summers, Roadmaster, said the Roadcrew has been very busy with the unusually warm and dry weather. He said they are getting an early start on the spring work. He said they have graded all of the gravel roads and believe them to be in excellent to good condition. Summers said the seal coated roads are also good with a small amount of deterioration from over the winter. He said the spring time brooming is done. He said they have done some brush and tree cutting on T371 Job Corps, T374 Sheffield Junction, T368 Cooper Track and T333 Bean Farm roads. He said all and all the roads are looking good. Summers said we have done some yard work at the new property cutting trees, removing stumps and so on. He said I would like to begin the dirt and gravel maintenance project on T371 Job Corps Road as soon as the approval is given by the Forest County Conservation Department and the DSA becomes available. He finished by saying there were no major equipment repairs to report for the past month.

**CODE ENFORCEMENT REPORT.**

Marjorie Villarreal, Code Enforcement Officer, said North East Hardwoods got a weight permit to travel T370 Byromtown Road for three months. She said Kane Hardwood renewed their weight permit to continue to use T358 Beaver Meadows Road for another three months.

**CODE ENFORCEMENT REPORT CONTINUED.**

Villarreal said she had several building permit applications for the month. She said Glenn Freeman, on Airborne Lane in Brookston, applied to place a 8' x 12' shed on his property that he leases from Richard Shick. She said Karl Scardina applied to build a porch with a roof and a 10' x 12' wood shed at his recreational cabin on T370 Byromtown Road.

Villarreal said Roger Barnett applied for a permit for a picnic shelter for his property on State Route 1005, Watson Farm Road. She said the Tyson Ruhlman family applied to build a 24' x 28' addition that includes two bedrooms and a 10' x 28' covered porch at their property on T373 Watson Farm Road.

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

**SEALED BIDS FOR HIGHWAY SUPPLIES.**

A motion made by Summers and seconded by Loxley was passed unanimously to award bids to Jefferson Paving Corporation for 300 ton DSA limestone tailgated and spread for \$26.72 per ton totaling \$8,016.00, 300 ton DSA limestone delivered to the garage for \$25.71 per ton totaling \$7,713.00, 2500 gallons of MC70 applied and covered for \$5.41 a gallon totaling \$13,525.00, 7940 square yards of Single Bituminous Seal Coat for \$1.45 per square yard totaling \$11,473.30 and 2850 square yards of Double Bituminous Seal Coat for \$2.95 per square yard totaling \$8,418.00 and to IA Construction Corporation the 300 ton #8 limestone anti-skid delivered to the garage for \$17.20 totaling \$5,160.00. Other bids were from Glenn O. Hawbaker for 300 ton DSA limestone tailgated and spread for \$32.75 per ton totaling \$9,825.00, Glenn O. Hawbaker for 300 ton DSA limestone delivered to the garage for \$26.59 per ton totaling \$7,977.00 and IA Construction Corporation bid \$17.20 per ton totaling \$5,160.00 for gravel DSA, 2500 gallons of MC70 applied and covered from Suit-Kote for \$7.54 a gallon totaling \$18,850.00 and Russell Standard for \$6.66 totaling \$16,665.00, 7940 square yards of Single Bituminous Seal Coat from Suit-Kote for \$2.24 square yard totaling \$17,785.60, Russell Standard for \$1.71 square yard totaling \$13,609.16 and Glenn O. Hawbaker for \$2.08 square yard totaling \$16,507.26 and 2850 square yards of Double Bituminous Seal Coat from Suit-Kote for \$3.78 square yard totaling \$20,773.00, Russell Standard for \$3.90 totaling \$11,112.15 and Glenn Hawbaker for \$4.16 square yard totaling \$11,853.15 and the 300 ton #8 limestone anti-skid delivered to the garage from Jefferson Paving for \$25.20 per ton totaling \$7,560.00 and Glenn Hawbaker for \$25.59 per ton totaling \$7,677.00.

**MARIENVILLE VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY AGREEMENT.**

A motion made by Polovich and seconded by Loxley was passed unanimously to pay the Marienville Volunteer Fire Company \$3,000.00 for their 2012 Fire Agreement with Howe Township.

**MARIENVILLE ATV TOUR-DE-FOREST.**

A motion made by Summers and seconded Loxley was passed unanimously that upon clarification of the use of Forest Road 131 Howe Township allows the Marienville Volunteer Fire Company to close Township Road 358 from Seldom Seen Corners to Forest Road 221 and Deadmans Corners to Seldom Seen Corners, also Watson Farm Road and FR 131 to the township line from noon May 18, 2012 to midnight May 20, 2012 for the spring ride and from noon October 5, 2012 to midnight October 7, 2012 for the fall ride, with signs stating open to local traffic only, for the Marienville fire department's ATV Tour-de-Forest fundraiser ride through the Allegheny National Forest, pending receipt of liability insurance.

**FOREST ROAD 217C.**

A motion made by Summers and seconded by Loxley was passed unanimously to agree to name The Allegheny National Forest Road 217C and The Allegheny National Forest Road 217 ANF 217C and ANF 217 respectively with signage indicating the same.

**SHEFFIELD TOWNSHIP VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT AGREEMENT.**

A motion made by Summers and seconded by Polovich was passed unanimously to pay Sheffield Volunteer Fire Department \$3,500.00 for their 2012 Fire Agreement with Howe Township.

**BILLS TO PAY.**

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

**LOCAL SERVICES TAX INTEREST AND PENALTIES.**

A motion made by Summers and seconded by Polovich was passed unanimously to have the Township Solicitor collect the interest and penalties that is owed to the township because a company was delinquent in paying their Local Services Tax.

**PUBLIC COMMENT.**

Dolores Loxley explained to the Supervisors about having to have picture identification when people vote this year.

**ADJOURNMENT.**

Chairman Summers adjourned the meeting at 5:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Marjorie E. Villarreal  
Secretary/Treasurer/Code Enforcement Officer

APPROVED