

HOWE TOWNSHIP

Forest County

Regular Meeting

August 11, 2010

7:00 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 and Thomas Gibson.

JULY 14, 2010 REGULAR MEETING.

A motion made by Loxley and seconded by Polovich was passed unanimously to approve the July 14, 2010 Regular Meeting minutes.

JULY TREASURER'S REPORT.

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

ROADMASTER REPORT.

Bob Summers, Roadmaster, said all of the railroad tracks across Watson Farm road have been removed and the road surface reshaped as needed. He said Bob Clever continues to rip up and relay the remainder of the deteriorated surface of that road with the plan of applying MC70 next spring. He said we are close to completing the new road signs replacement project. Summers said the boom mowing has been done on all roads with some needing a second mowing and this will be done as time permits. He said on July 29 he met with the Duhring road contractor and his subcontractor to try and get that project under way. They indicated to me at that time they would be ready to begin in two weeks. He said I will be contacting them this Thursday the 12th to see if they are ready to start, because this project needs to be completed as soon as possible. He said there were no repairs to report this month. He said the road crew will continue with the grading and reshaping of T373 Watson Farm Road, boom mowing and summer contracts that must be completed by the end of September.

CODE ENFORCEMENT REPORT.

Marjorie Villarreal, Code Enforcement Officer, said a road permit was completed for Kane Hardwood to travel over weight logging trucks on T371 Job Corps Road and T358 Beaver Meadows Road for three months. The Supervisors discussed the nuisance ordinance violations.

CODE ENFORCEMENT REPORT CONTINUED.

Villarreal said she has not heard back from a Brookston recreational cabin property owner that has a hole in the roof of their garage. She said the property owners on Blue Jay Creek road with the unlicensed vehicles and parts have removed several of them. A motion made by Loxley and seconded by Polovich was passed unanimously to adopt Declaration of Nuisance Resolution 10-7.

Villarreal said a building permit application was received from Priscilla Newpher to replace the front porch roof, remove the back deck and to remove back porch and replace it at her recreational cabin on Robenson Hill Road.

A motion made by Summers and seconded by Polovich was passed unanimously to approve the building permit.

FOREST COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE LETTER FOR HOUSE BILL 2585.

A motion made by Summers and seconded by Loxley was passed to send a copy of the Forest County Sheriff's Office letter, which supports House Bill 2585, to the Labor Relations Committee members with Summers and Loxley voting yes and Polovich voting no.

SIGN CROSS BRACKETS.

A motion made by Polovich and seconded by Loxley was passed unanimously to purchase six 5 inch cross sign brackets for \$38.00 and four 12 inch sign cross brackets for \$60.00 from U.S. Municipal Supply, Inc.

PURCHASE OF MINUTE BOOK.

A motion made by Loxley and seconded by Polovich was passed unanimously for the Secretary to purchase 2010-2011 Minute Book for \$55.00.

PURCHASE OF LASERJET PRINTER TONER CARTRIDGE.

A motion made by Summers and seconded by Loxley was passed unanimously for the Secretary to purchase laserjet printer toner cartridge for \$293.00 plus or minus.

TOWNSHIP WEBSITE.

A motion made by Summers and seconded by Loxley was passed unanimously to have Jackie Kaiser come to the next meeting to explain the website host pricing she recommends.

BILLS TO PAY.

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

MAIL AND TELEPHONE CORRESPONDENCE.

Villarreal said after Frank Polovich called her about the gas odor on Route 66 she called the Department of Environmental Protection Northwest Regional Office and they told they would investigate the complaint and call her. The Supervisors discussed adopting a jake brake ordinance and Summers asked the Secretary to find out the approximate cost of adopting an ordinance for the next meeting.

ROUTE 66 TRAFFIC STUDY.

A motion made by Polovich and seconded by Loxley was passed unanimously for the Secretary to write a letter to PennDOT asking them to do a traffic study on Route 66 to reduce the speed between T327 Duhring Road and the Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company.

PUBLIC COMMENT.

Tom Gibson, Harmony Township Supervisor, spoke to the Supervisors and Roadmaster/Supervisor Summers about being hired by Harmony Township as a laborer and learning to drive a grader.

ADJOURNMENT.

A motion made by Summers and seconded by Loxley was passed unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 8:35 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Marjorie E. Villarreal
Secretary/Treasurer/Code Enforcement Officer

