

**LOWHILL TOWNSHIP  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
NOVEMBER 3, 2016  
MEETING MINUTES**

The Lowhill Township Board of Supervisors meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm by Chairman Richard Hughes. Also present were George Wessner, Jr, Vice Chairman; Robb Werley, Member; Charles Waters, Esq., Solicitor; Chris Noll, Engineer; Brian Carl, Administrator and Secretary Jill Seymour.

After the Pledge of Allegiance, Robb Werley made a motion to approve the 10/6/16 budget workshop minutes, as written. George Wessner, Jr. seconded the motion. George Wessner, JR. made a motion to approve the 10/6/16 meeting minutes, as written. Robb Werley seconded the motion. Richard Hughes made a motion to approve the monthly bills, as submitted. Robb Werley seconded the motion.

Richard Hughes opened the floor for public comment, hearing none, moved on with the agenda.

Richard Hughes made a motion to accept the Robb & Brenda Werley land development preliminary plans dated 8/31/16 for 6724 Kernsville Road (proposed professional office). George Wessner, Jr. seconded the motion. Robb Werley abstained. Planning Commission has approved the plans and recommends moving on to final. The engineer and administrator both approve of the plans and recommend moving on to final. Richard Hughes made a motion to approve the preliminary plans and grant a waiver for 1" to equal 20', subject to Keystone Consulting's letter for the final plan dated 9/26/16. George Wessner, Jr. seconded the motion. Robb Werley abstained.

Charles Waters, Esq. said in light of Veteran's Day coming up, he would like to address the Board. The Board approved. The following is a letter that was read aloud by Attorney Waters.

"I am currently serving as the executor of the Estate of Phyllis P. Lynn. Phyllis was a longtime client of mine and a dear lady. Phyllis was predeceased by her husband of 31 years, Forrest W. Lynn. The two of them never had children and their estate will be distributed to three worthwhile charities. Amongst Phyllis' possessions, I found the American Flag which was given to her at the time of Forrest's death. Forrest was a veteran of World War II having served in the European, African and Middle Eastern Theatres and was the recipient of five bronze stars. With the Board's permission, I would request that his flag be flown at the township's Veteran's Memorial outside this building until it properly retired. While Forrest had no known affiliation with our township or the individuals whose names appear on our memorial, he was one of that band of brothers and I believe he would be proud to see his flag unfolded and flying in the breeze." With all respect and thank. Charles A. Waters, Esq.

The Board was unanimous and would be honored to fly Mr. Lynn's flag at our Veteran's Memorial, until it is retired. Joe Kalusky will hang the flag tomorrow.

Chris Noll is in the process of applying for the MS4 waiver, the paperwork will be done this month. He believes that we will get the waiver. In 2018, we will need to have mapping of all streams. Brian Carl would like all 4 township's to come together and have a workshop about the MS4 and what we can do to be proactive in protecting our environment. The supervisors said we will be proactive as far as cleaning up, record keeping on proper disposal of paint, oil filters, etc.

Joe Kalusky said that in October, they cleaned gutters and leaf clean up. Finished the Valley Road Bridge project. Did some maintenance on dirt roads and maintenance on equipment. For November, they will continue leaf clean up, will be preparing the equipment for winter maintenance and start Narris Road project. Bear Bridge was looked at by the bridge engineers from Keystone and they are confident that we can do the job ourselves and will get specs together for Joe. The bridge will need to be closed for at least a month and a half and would affect school bus stops, looking to do the work when school is out during the summer.

Ridgeview: Sheriff is still trying to serve them papers.

Kristofik: Mr. Kristofik is hoping to sell the property, there is a neighbor interested in buying.

FEMA reimbursement: Payments have started being received by several townships, we should see ours shortly.

Cell Tower Ordinance: Brian said that Weisenberg is changing theirs around, trying to simplify it at this time. Once that is done, he will provide us a draft to review. At this time, we have reviewed Heidelberg's and will review Weisenberg's and decide if we will go with one of theirs or draft one of our own.

Carol Betz stated that she went to her convention and collected her 6 credits needed to remain a tax collector. She provided Jill with a copy of her certification. When she was there, there was a survey done on certification and duplicate fees. These are fees that are paid by whoever requests them, directly to Carol to offset her costs of running her business out of her home. Currently, certifications cost \$15 and duplicates cost \$1. She is asking the Board to approve certifications to go up to \$20 and duplicates to go up to \$5. The Board approved and a resolution will be passed at December's meeting.

Richard Hughes made a motion to approve Junkyard licenses for Kressley, Mordaunt and Landis for one year. George Wessner, Jr. seconded the motion.

One bid was received for a 2008 or newer tractor with flail mowers or equivalent. The bid opened was from Steve Zell Farm Equipment at a delivered price of \$43,000. George Wessner, Jr. made a motion to purchase the 2008 John Deere with rear and side flail mowers from Steve Zell Farm Equipment for \$43,000 delivered. Richard Hughes seconded the motion.

**George Wessner, Jr. made a motion to approve the budget to be advertised for public review. Robb Werley seconded the motion.**

**We had 2 men work 4 days to prepare and cleanup for Night in the Country @ 32 hours each. Total due from the recreation fund to the general fund is \$1466.**

**Sanctuary at Haafsville 2017 contract will be on the December agenda.**

**Due to the legal holiday being on January 2, 2017, the Reorganization meeting will be held on Tuesday January 3, 2017 @ 7:00 pm. The auditors meeting will be held on Wednesday January 4, 2017 at 7 pm, both at the Township building.**

**Richard Hughes opened the floor for public comment. Jim Kuhns asked if we3 are going to allow these cell tower companies to put them wherever they want. Brian said no, under 60' is good or on top of existing utility poles, anything over that will have to go to zoning.**

**Robb Werley made a motion to adjourn. George Wessner, Jr. seconded the motion.**

**The Lowhill Township Board of Supervisors meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm.**

**Respectfully Submitted,**