CARNEYS POINT TOWNSHIP MEETING
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 19, 2018

The Regular Meeting of the Township Committee was held on the above date at the time of 6:00 p.m. Committeemen Dennis, Pelura, Dowe, Newton and Brown were present. Also present at this meeting were J. Proffitt-Clerk, J. Santogrossi-Public Works Manager, G. Krivda Police Chief and A. Telsey- Solicitor.

Mayor Brown called the meeting to order and read the **Open Public Meeting Act.** He led the **Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Roll call** was taken.

Under **Committee Departmental Reports** Mr. Dennis mentioned Fire and Rescue as having two ambulances broken down and needing repairs. Our new ambulance service is using their own ambulance until ours are up and running. Mr. Dennis said one needs new tires and the other needs a rear signal. Both are on the way to being repaired. Mr. Dennis mentioned our Grant Writer is looking for grants for air packs and a new rescue pumper. The air packs are $9,800 each and have a 15-year life span. The pumper is a 1992. Mr. Dennis said both need replacing and that the grant has a 5% cash match. A decision will have to be made by the next meeting. He will get more information on this.
Mr. Newton said he had nothing to discuss from the Police Dept but the Chief will. Chief Krivda said out of Capital funds they have received the new fingerprinting machine and two new vehicles. He said the vehicles should be on the road by tomorrow. Mr. Newton said the Construction Office is two months ahead of where they were last year at the same time.
Mayor Brown said he will be attending the JIF quarterly claims and regular monthly meeting on September 24th. He mentioned sending out several JIF Safety bulletins to various departments. Mayor Brown gave an update on the road project at North Broad St. which is being done through the County. He said it should be moving forward now that the soil contamination has been identified. Remediation of the soil should begin shortly. The Gas Company is putting a pipe under the railroad tracks. Hopefully paving will be completed shortly.
Mr. Dowe mentioned a resignation in the courts which will be addressed later in the meeting. The Recreation meeting was cancelled due to school events but they are holding a Community Yard Sale on September 29th and 30th. There is nothing new with the Industrial Commission.
Mr. Pelura had no report for animal control. Spoke of the foreclosure of 18 properties over a year ago. He said the properties were vacant, residential but no people in them and business properties. He mentioned they are not in the business to upend people out of their houses. Some will be signed over to the Industrial Commission for marketing. He said Mr. Pelura spoke on the 2018 Tax Sale held on September 17th. Original list had 307 properties, after advertised and published on line the amount dropped to 271. Ninety-nine properties were sold at the Tax Sale on the 17th. 93 went to Outside Liens and 6 went to Municipal Liens. The total amount received at the Tax Sale was $253,328.18, Sewer was paid $28,583.83 so the total back to the Township is $224,744.36. Mr. Pelura said Jennifer and John in the Tax Office did a great job.

Mayor Brown asked for a motion to approve **all properly audited vouchers in the amount of $368,714.00.** Motion was made by Mr. Pelura, seconded by Mr. Dowe and all were in favor.
Under **Consent Agenda** a motion was made by Mr. Pelura, seconded by Mr. Dennis to accept **Monthly Committee Reports from August, 2018.** All were in favor.

Mr. Newton made a motion to approve the **Administrative Compensation Time**, seconded by Mr. Dennis and all were in favor.
Mr. Dowe made a motion to approve the **minutes from the regular Committee meeting held on September 5, 2018** seconded by Mr. Newton with all being in favor.

RESOLUTION 2018-155
PURCHASE OF A 60" EXMARK LAZER MOWER

Mr. Dowe made a motion to award a contract to Laurel Lawnmower, Inc. for the purchase of a 60" Exmark Lazer Mower in the for $14,201.00. Seconded by Mr. Pelura and a unanimous vote was taken.

RESOLUTION 2018-156
CHAPTER 159, INSERTION OF AN ITEM OF REVENUE

Motioned by Mr. Pelura to approve a Chapter 159, Insertion of an item of revenue into the 2018 budget in the amount of $17,184.00 under the caption "Municipal Alliance on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse". Seconded by Mr. Dennis and a unanimous roll call vote was taken.

Under **Correspondence** Mayor Brown spoke about a letter of resignation from Donna Quirk after 19 years of service to Carneys Point Township. Ms. Quark has also requested to be paid for her unused vacation time. Mr. Dowe made a motion to accept the resignation with regret, seconded by Mr. Pelura and all were in favor. Mr. Dowe requested to advertise for this position, seconded by Mr. Pelura and all were in favor. Mr. Newton made a motion to authorize the payment for Ms. Quirks unused vacation time upon her retirement, seconded by Mr. Dennis and all were in favor.
Mayor Brown mentioned there was a request to use the parking lot on Saturday, October 6th from 8 am to around noon. This was done last year for the Team Peggy Dee Relay for Life American Cancer Society team. Mr. Pelura motioned to authorize the use of the parking lot, seconded by Mr. Dennis and all were in favor.

Under **Old Business** Mayor Brown gave an update on the letters that were sent to alleyway residents. He said of all the letters sent out there were only two residents who responded. The work will start next week.
Mayor Brown moved on to address the hearing for demolition of a property on Johnson Street. He said no one attended the hearing on September 17th. The next step is to advertise for a demolition company.
Mr. Santogrossi gave an update on the paving of Hilltop (High Hill Road). He said Asphalt Industries should be done by the last of September or the first of October. This project should only take one day to complete.
All the items under **New Business** has been addressed in the meeting already. Mayor Brown moved on to open the meeting up for Public Participation.

Public Participation: *Martin Cleary of 233 Broad St.* mentioned that he witnessed our Police Officers directing traffic and not just sitting in the vehicle. He commented he was glad to see this because vehicles are not supposed to run idle for more than three minutes. Mr. Cleary went on to speak about the ditch by his house that needs clearing. He said it has been eleven years since it has been done. He said the mosquitoes are really bad because the water does not flow.
Mr. Dowe said that Mr. Cleary asked at the last meeting about the playground equipment at the Recreational Center. Mr. Dowe said he spoke to Mr. and Mrs. Bomba about getting funding to repair and fix up the playground. Mayor Brown said he spoke to the Townships Grant Writer

asking them to start looking for grants for recreation equipment, buildings, maintenance and repair of our parks. He said when grants come up the Township will be alerted and it will be brought before the Committee.
With no more public questions or comments this portion was closed.

RESOLUTION 2018-157
EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Dennis motioned to convene into Executive Session, seconded by Mr. Newton and a unanimous vote was taken. The regular meeting ended at 6:30 pm.

A motion was made by Mr. Dowe to reconvene in regular session, seconded by Mr. Newton and all was in favor. The regular meeting reconvened at 6:58 pm.

Mr. Dennis asked Mrs. Stout about the 5% cash match for grants for fire trucks and equipment. Mrs. Stout said she will get the figures together for the Committee to review.

With no further business to discuss, a motion was made by Mr. Dowe to adjourn and seconded by Mr. Newton. Motion passed with five affirmative votes. Meeting adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

Approved: 10/3/2018

June Proffitt

June Proffitt, Municipal Clerk