

North Buffalo Township  
June 15, 2022

The North Buffalo Township Board of Supervisors met at the Municipal Building at 7:00 p.m., June 15, 2022 with Supervisors Mike Valencic and Jennifer Matarrese, Secretary Pam Bowser, Solicitor Scott Andreassi, Police Chief Jason Hufhand, and approximately 13 citizens in attendance.

Supervisor Mike Valencic called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. He led the Pledge of Allegiance and asked for a moment of silence to honor those in service of our country. He then announced that the meeting was being audio and video recorded.

Mike Valencic made the motion to approve the minutes of the May 18, 2022 Supervisors' Meeting. Jennifer Matarrese seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

Mike Valencic made the motion to approve the bills as presented on the Bill List with General Fund checks #28000 through #28035 in the amount of \$62,479.42, General Fund electronic debits in the amount of \$23,926.00 and State Fund checks #829 through #830 in the amount of \$11,538.17. Jennifer Matarrese seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

Mike Valencic made the motion to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented, with Jennifer Matarrese seconding the motion. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

Township Police Chief Jason Hufhand gave the monthly police report. Bart Rothen from Ford Cliff Fire Department gave their monthly response report. West Kittanning Fire Department was not in attendance but it was reported that they had one incident for the month within the township.

Road Master Jennifer Matarrese reported that the road crew has been working on the road prep for the upcoming tar and chip project. Wyant and Boarts prep is finished, Sportsman is started and Simcik needs minimal prep. They also worked on other road maintenance, along with garage and equipment maintenance.

There was no unfinished business. The first item on the agenda under new business was the appointment of a supervisor to fill the vacancy left by the resignation of Calvin V. Crissman. Letters of interest were received from the following: Karen Valencic, Bobbi Jo Kutch, Mathew J. Hogg and Steve Moore. Mike Valencic made the motion to nominate Karen Valencic. The motion died for lack of a second. Jennifer Matarrese made the motion to nominate Mathew J. Hogg. The motion died for lack of a second. Chairman Mike Valencic then made the motion to recess the supervisors' meeting. Jennifer Matarrese seconded the motion, all voted in favor, and the motion carried. Vacancy Board Member Harry Patton then called the Vacancy Board meeting to order. Mike Valencic made the motion to nominate Bobbi Jo Kutch. The motion died for lack of a second. Jennifer Matarrese made the motion to nominate Mathew J. Hogg, with Harry Patton seconding the motion. Harry Patton and Jennifer Matarrese voted in favor and Mike Valencic was not in favor. The motion carried. Harry Patton then adjourned the Vacancy Board meeting.

Supervisor Chairman Mike Valencic made the motion to reconvene the supervisors' meeting. Jennifer Matarrese seconded the motion, all voted in favor, and the motion carried. Mike Valencic reported that Mathew J. Hogg was appointed to the position of supervisor to fill the vacancy left by the resignation of Calvin V. Crissman. Mr. Hogg will serve until the next municipal election and his term will expire the first Monday of January 2024.

The board then discussed speed limit signs on dirt and gravel roads. Mike Valencic asked Police Chief Jason Hufhand if there are problems with speeding ATV's on dirt roads and the supervisors discussed whether putting up speed limit signs would help. They will continue to monitor the situation.

During public comment, township resident Craig McKinney from 169 Boarts Road asked why his section of the road hasn't been paved yet. Road Master Jennifer Matarrese explained that the township does not currently receive liquid fuels money for the back part of Boarts to be able to afford to tar and chip that portion. In order for the township to get liquid fuels money for that portion, the liquid fuels map needs to be changed. PennDOT representative Cory Shaffer is working on changing the map. Once everything with the map is completed to receive liquid fuels funding for that portion of Boarts, then the township will look into the matter further.

Jennifer Matarrese made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:22 p.m. Mike Valencic seconded the motion, all voted in favor, and the motion carried.

Pamela L. Bowser  
North Buffalo Township Secretary