

North Buffalo Township
September 21, 2022

The North Buffalo Township Board of Supervisors met at the Municipal Building at 7:00 p.m., September 21, 2022 with Supervisors Mike Valencic, Jennifer Matarrese and Jay Hogg, Secretary Pam Bowser, Solicitor Scott Andreassi, Police Chief Jason Hufhand, and approximately nine 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.

Jennifer Matarrese made the motion to approve the minutes of the August 17, 2022 Supervisors' Meeting. Mike Valencic 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 #28127 through #28164 in the amount of \$50,813.21, General Fund electronic debits in the amount of \$28,552.47 and State Fund check #831 in the amount of \$95,454.57. Jennifer Matarrese seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

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

Township Police Chief Jason Hufhand gave the monthly police report. Township Fire Marshall Dave Orton from Ford Cliff Fire Department gave their monthly response report. Dave Orton, along with Brandon Harriger from Ford Cliff Fire Department, reported that training is being planned for fire departments, police departments and EMS on how to handle fires involving natural gas powered vehicles.

Jennifer Matarrese then gave the monthly Road Master's report. The road crew has been berming, mowing and patching various township roads. The Massey Ferguson tractor is back in service. Jennifer reported that township citizens have been calling already about spring clean-up day and suggested April 1 as a date that would work to schedule it. Mike Valencic questioned if the township could afford holding one next year and suggested waiting to discuss the matter after the budget meeting.

The next item on the agenda under new business was the awarding of materials bids, which were opened and recorded at a bid opening earlier in the day at 11:00 a.m. The bids were as follows: A bid for limestone was received from M & M Lime Co., Inc. for \$70,590 FOB (pick up) and \$94,900 delivered. A second bid was received from Buffalo Limestone, Inc. for \$62,050 for FOB (pick up) and \$78,050 delivered; however, no bid was submitted for #9 stone and #67 stone. The supervisors reviewed and discussed the bids noting that the Buffalo Limestone bid was incomplete and it is also farther for the township to travel to pick up stone. Jennifer Matarrese made the motion to award the bid for limestone to M & M Lime Co., Inc. Jay Hogg seconded the motion, all voted in favor, and the motion carried.

One bid was received from Slagle Trucking for anti-skid for \$23.50 per ton. Jennifer Matarrese made the motion to award the bid for anti-skid to Slagle Trucking. Mike Valencic seconded the motion, all voted in favor, and the motion carried.

A bid for gasoline and diesel fuel was received from Bradigan's, Inc. for \$0.1050 over OPIS and a second bid was received from Glassmere Fuel Service for \$0.1549 over OPIS. Mike Valencic made the motion to award the bid for gasoline and diesel to Bradigan's, Inc. Jay Hogg seconded the motion, all voted in favor, and the motion carried.

The supervisors announced that they will meet with Kittanning Suburban Joint Water Authority on September 29, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. at the municipal building to discuss the ongoing issues regarding water service in the township.

The supervisors discussed setting a date and time for Trick-Or-Treat night in the township. It will be held Wednesday, October 26, 2022 from 6 to 8 p.m.

The Budget Workshop will be held Thursday, October 27, 2022 at 8:00 a.m. at the municipal building.

During public comment, township resident Karl Swigart presented some mining maps to the township that he has had in his possession and no longer needs. The maps are for Lower Freeport Coal Cadogan #4 mine and Lower Kittanning Coal Cadogan #1 mine which are under North Buffalo Township. The maps will be kept on file at the municipal building. Various township residents and the supervisors also discussed the ongoing issues with Kittanning Suburban Joint Water Authority.

Jennifer Matarrese made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 p.m. Jay Hogg seconded the motion, all voted in favor, and the motion carried.

Pamela L. Bowser
North Buffalo Township Secretary