

## PORTER TOWNSHIP

November 20, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 by Supervisor Marlow with the pledge to the flag.

Roll Call Present were, Marlow, Croninger, Wylie, Harman, Russell

Minutes The minutes from October were reviewed made: motion was made by Wylie and supported by Harman to accept the minutes. Motion carried

Treasurers report General fund balance \$396,799.48 savings \$254,348.96 Bair Lake \$10,130.29 total sewer funds \$1,366,927.83 Motion made by Russell and supported by Marlow to approve the report.

Correspondence was read; a letter of resignation from Jon White chairperson of the ZBA was also read. Wylie made a motion to accept Marlow 2<sup>nd</sup> all in favor to accept, the board will now be accepting applications for two positions on the ZBA

Building Report For the month of July was \$657,200.00 in new and remodeling construction.

SEPSA Report Harmon advised their meeting is November 15, 2018 so he did not have a report this month

Bills Bill were read of \$48,482.45 with \$48,319.54 in sewer bills. Russell advised that there is a bill that we need to approve before accepting the bills, Marlow made a motion with a second by Wylie to accept and pay the sewer bills. All in favor

Road repair Marlow advised that Carter Lake Street is still closed still waiting for them to start the work. Chapel Hill Street culvert has been fixed

Dangerous Building Officer It was discussed that due to our Dangerous Building Officer passing we need to appoint someone to this position. It was suggested to appoint David Leroy per our attorney. Marlow made a motion to appoint David, second by Russell, Roll Call: - Croninger – yes, Marlow – yes, Harman – yes, Wylie – yes, Russell – yes; with a unanimous decision David Leroy will be the Dangerous Building Officer

Dangerous Building Ordinance It was discussed that the current ordinance is not strong enough per the Ordinance Enforcement officer, Wylie made a motion to table this till they have a chance to look at this compared to the current one. Marlow second. All in favor.

Recreational Marijuana Establishments Ordinance Due to the election on November 6, 2018 it was suggested by the current sheriff and prosecutor they suggested that we add to our current medical marijuana ordinance to restrict the commercial sale in Porter Township. Harman made a motion to table this till next meeting to be able to see what our other options are, second by Marlow, Roll Call: Croninger – no, Marlow – yes, Harman – yes, Wylie – yes, Russell - no With 3 yes, 2 no it will be tabled till next month

Land split King/File Wylie made a motion to accept the land split, second by Croninger; all in favor

Poverty Levels Harris our accessor has advised what the poverty level is according to the federal standards. Marlow made a motion to accept the poverty levels Croninger second; all in favor we accept the Federal Poverty Level with a copy in the Clerk's office

Tepe A letter from Grossman Law Attorneys At Law had sent a petition for abandonment of right-of way on Beechwood St, Clerk Russell advised that she has spoken to the road commission and they are in favor of this abandonment. Wylie made a motion to sign off on this, Marlow second; all in favor

Sewer Checking Accounts Croninger advised the sewer fund has been using 3 accounts she would like to go to 2. Croninger made a motion to close the 30/30 account second by Harman; all in favor.

Drake A letter from Auditor Drake to accept his services for the next year will be the same price as last year for both Sewer and Township. Harman made a motion to accept Drake as the auditor, second by Wylie; All in favor

ESET It is time to renew our current virus protection which is for 3 years. Motion made by Wylie with a second by Croninger to accept; all in favor

Bills Motion made by Wylie with a second by Marlow to pay the township bills; all in favor  
Biotech Contract Galavich advised this is the current company that picks up the biohazard waste. They have done a wonderful job in the past. Motion made by Croninger with a second by Wylie to accept them; all in favor

Kelly Croninger advised that they have accepted the terms to repay what is owed for damage to the system. They are ready to pay the first bill which will be in January Croninger will mail them a statement on this monthly

Miscellaneous Wylie advised they are still trying to find the right place to put the plaque for former Clerk Russell. He will find room for it in the entry way

Sewer Report Sewer report from Klappauf. He advised they are currently working on the budget for 2019, the gate and card reader that they want to install will be approximately \$55,000.00 to install. They also presented 2 motions to be accepted. Motion 1: To make an insert into the Bylaws of the Porter Township Sewer Board "Procedure at Meetings" Attendance may be done via current electronic technology. Motion made by Marlow with a second by Wylie to accept; all in favor. Motion 2 recommends that a quorum may be established with the electronic technology as long as at least One Board Member is physically at the meeting site. Motion made by Marlow with second by Harman to accept; all in favor.

Septage Nagy advised septage for the month was 154,734 gallons, approximately \$12,000.00 for the month, there has been \$77,343.00 through October, \$97,711.00 for the year, they are right on track there were no permit violations. Emergency call outs were due to a power outage on B-13, C-2, C-3 & C-13. They are continuing to do routine maintenance, they had to replace the headworks JWC Auger Brush and annual service on Headworks Grinder

ZBA report Harman advised they had two that were approved

Wetlands Committee Wylie advised that Tom Robbins will remain on this committee they are still in need of 1 more person

Planning Commission Nagy advised they will not be meeting till January unless something comes up

County Commissioner Skip Dyes advised he is still trying to get the letter from the health department regarding the sewer and length of where you have to not hook up. He also advised that the recent vote on the old courthouse was turned down, the county kept ownership they are doing research to see what else can be done with the building. He also advised he will be meeting with the chairman from the road commission to see what help the townships can get to help pay for the culverts since Porter has a multitude of them and they all need attention, he also advised there are many issues that need to be addressed and fixed.

No Public Comments

Motion made by Wylie and supported by Croninger to adjourn Motion carried. Adjourned at 8:45 pm

Beth Russell  
Porter Township Clerk