

## PORTER TOWNSHIP

October 12, 2021

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

Roll Call: Present were Croninger, Marlow, Wylie, Russell with Harman absent

Minutes: The minutes were reviewed from last month meetings, Marlow made the motion to accept the minutes with a correction to last month minutes of the Op & Maint amount number, support from Croninger all in favor with Harman absent

Treasurers report General fund balance \$364,702.70 Savings \$312,736.91 Bair Lake \$13,249.18 total sewer Operations & Maintenance Funds \$51,422.04, Sewer Receiving Funds \$945,656.33. Motion made by Wylie with supported by Marlow to accept. All in favor motion carried with Harman absent

Correspondence: were read

SEPSA Report: For the month of June there were the following calls, in Mason 11, Porter Newberg Area 1, Outside the Area 6, Porter Township 17 with a total of 35 calls

Building Report: For the month of March \$1,270,270.00 in new and remodeling construction.

Bills: Township Bills \$30,659.97, Sewer bills \$61,132.835 were approved at the agenda Motion made by Wylie with support from Croninger to pay the bills. All in favor motion carried with Harman absent

Old Business:

Furnace: Quotes were read Marlow made the motion with support from Wylie to table this till next month so a comparison can be done between the 4 quotes that were received all in favor motion carried with Harman absent

New Business:

Election Workers: Russell advised all there is an election Nov 2, 2021 there will be 4 workers

Election Food: Russell made the motion to buy pizza/food for the election workers Nov 2, support from Marlow all in favor motion carried with Harman absent

Nov Agenda Meeting: Due to the Nov 2 election the Nov agenda meeting will have to be moved. Marlow made the motion with support from Wylie to move the meeting to Wed Nov 3 at 3:30 p.m. roll call was taken: Croninger – yes, Marlow – yes, Wylie – yes, Russell – yes, motion carried with Harman absent

Sautter Split: Marlow made the motion with support from Croninger to accept this split, all in favor motion carried with Harman absent

Halloween Date/Time: After some discussion Marlow made the motion to set Porter Township's Halloween Trick-or-Treating date/hours will be October 29, 2021 from 5:00 p.m. till 8:00 p.m. with support from Russell all in favor motion carried with Harman absent

Thompson Bubblers: J Thompson advised it has been a year since the bubblers were brought up. He would like the board to make a decision on banning them or not, it was also brought up that Matt Diane from EGLE has recommended that an Ord be put in banning them for safety sake and that the lake associations that responded also have indicated that they have more no votes regarding bubblers. The board will look at the Ord that has been drawn up already.

Benke: Sheriff Benke advised this weekend is Trunk-or-Treat at Dr. Lawless Park, also that they are in the new budget year. He then updated the Township on the new Tower being put up on Union Road which will help their dispatch they have a lifetime lease from Five Star whose property it will be placed on. There has also still been a problem with catalytic converters being stolen from cars in the area. Also they are hiring at the county for jail deputies, also 9-1-1 part time operators, also road deputies

Miscellaneous: Wylie advised he has spoken to someone regarding a metal detector for the cemetery sexton. He will be there on Thursday and will get the one that was recommended for this.

Sewer Report: Klappauf advised the plant is still in good shape, there were 2 emergency call outs with routine maintenance being to repair digester valve, cleaned septage receiving station tanks and equipment, SEMCO Energy started and has completed the gas main's on Shavehead Lake, Electrical control issues repaired, still pending is the septage receiving tank, and Insurance claim due to the storms 8/12/2021. The Sewer Board then brought a motion to the board being: Sewer Board requests Township Board to authorize the Township Attorney to contact, via U.S. mail, the following two WWTP customers relative to problems they have created with the system infrastructure and the resolution thereof. Motion made by Marlow with support from Wylie to contact the attorney roll call was taken; Croninger – yes, Marlow – yes, Wylie – yes, Russell – yes with Harman absent

Septage Report: Nagy advised May had 123,450 gallons of septage sales being approx. \$9567.00, which is slightly down from last year but that they are still holding steady. He is checking around to other septage drop offs to see what their pricing currently is.

ZBA report: No report

Wetlands Committee: No report

Planning Commission: Nagy advised they are working with Shady Acres on Bair Lake regarding redevelopment there are still several things they need to iron out before moving forward

County Commissioner: No report

Public Comments: Thompson advised he feels that the board has had a lot of nepotism with this board

Motion made by Wylie and supported by Croninger to adjourn all in favor with Harman absent motion carried at 8:07 p.m.

Beth Russell  
Porter Township Clerk