

Chairman Alan Fossi on Wednesday, June 19, 2013 at 7:03pm in the Meeting Room of the Municipal Building, called the Regular Monthly Meeting of the Sewickley Township Board of Supervisors to order as advertised in The Times-Sun on Thursday, January 17, 2013. The members of the Board of Supervisors present were Alan Fossi, Wanda Layman, and Joe Kerber. Also attending the meeting were Norm Vinsick, Micki Patterson, Marie Houth, Marianne Errett, Linda Byrnes, Linda Harvey, Ann McWilliams, Kathy Kerber, Sharon Cerne, Alan Samulski, Sandy Dull, Tracy Hampshire, Amber Kline, Joe Marincic, Jonathan Jobe, Joe Napsha, Bob Lasser, Jack McWilliams, James Barlock, Paula Alcott, Dean Zimmerman, and Susan Leukhardt.

Mr. Fossi led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **Report from Township Coordinator, Wanda Layman**

Working with a Herminie resident to get an easement from a sink hole under their storage shed created by one of our pipes. Spoke with Moody & Associates to complete the DEP requirements concerning our property. Working with Chevron to get repairs done on Kunkle Road. Assisting residents on various issues and concerns. Dollar Energy grants. Working with PennDot and our Township Engineer on this year's paving projects. Receiving bids for salt shed concrete.

#### **Report for Public Works**

The three (3) new pieces of equipment (skidsteer, backhoe, and grader) have all been delivered. Prepping Dexter and Medic Streets near Sewickley Avenue for paving. Replaced a pipe on Hickory Street in Rillton. Mowed shoulders and pulled ditches on Apples Mill and Carnegie Roads. Paver and roller are ready for the season. Put mulch down in Lowber Park. Bridge Closed signs on Falls Road and McGrogen Road are checked weekly. Clean up storm damage from June 12<sup>th</sup>. Pulled ditches on Pinewood Road due to the heavy washout from the storm. Cleaned out storm drains on Volk and Shuglie Hill Roads. Trimmed trees on Slaughter Hollow and Freeman Roads. Cleaned up McGrew Hill, Brunazzi, and Kunkle Roads.

#### **Report from Recreation Director, Janet Schork**

Crabapple Park: The pool is running smoothly. Season Pass sales are going very well. Thank you to Roger Anthony, Brian Nicholls, the Road Crew, Paula Alcott, Susan Leukhardt, and the Township Supervisors for all your help in getting the pool ready.

Recreation Center: The Recreation Board is still accepting crafters and vendors for our Summer Festival. To date, we have seven (7) deposits paid and five (5) still outstanding. The festival will be held July 27<sup>th</sup> at Yough High School from 3:00pm to 11:00pm. Gate fee is \$5.00 per person, 5 years and under are free. The 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Fishing Derby was held last Saturday with approximately 60 children in attendance with their families. Special Thanks to Mr. Janiro, Connie Bosko, Susan Leukhardt, Lynn Boettner, Fox's Pizza, K-Vays, and many others and local businesses.

**Report from Ordinance Officer, Dean Zimmerman**

The demolition project of the old car dealership at the corner of Sewickley Avenue and Pike Street is nearly completed and our next demolition is slated for a property in Gratztown. Mr. Zimmerman has been informed by the County's Redevelopment Authority that these will be the only demolitions approved for Sewickley Township for 2013. Fortunately, we have had property owners that have made arrangements with their local fire departments to have their structures removed by controlled burns which has been helpful in getting rid of a couple more blighted properties. Most of the two hour parking and no parking signs have been erected on Sewickley Avenue. We still need three more of the two hour signs and those are on order. He has been told by one of the business owners along the Avenue that they seem to be helping so far. Grass cutting, property maintenance, junk motor vehicles, and burning on the wrong days and times are still the majority of cases he has been working on again this past month. Two of the properties with high grass are foreclosures and have maintenance companies from out of state hired by the banks to oversee the work needed. Those companies, in turn, contract with area folks to cut the grass and any other work that needs done. Sometimes it is difficult to get the work approved especially when he has to talk to call centers in India and the Philippines to convince them to authorize the work orders the maintenance companies need. Last month, Mr. Zimmerman reported that the hearing in Common Pleas Court was continued. That hearing is now scheduled for July 17<sup>th</sup>. The two Summary Trials he had mentioned were held and one of the men was found not guilty with the understanding that he would comply within the next 30 days. The other case was continued for three months because the man is currently in jail on another case from Common Pleas Court and that hearing has been rescheduled for September 23<sup>rd</sup>. He also has two new Summary Trials scheduled for July 24<sup>th</sup> and July 25<sup>th</sup>. He checked with the District Court this afternoon and all nine arrest warrants are still active.

Mrs. Layman asked if the County has money left at the end of the year, does that open us up for more money then? Mr. Zimmerman said it might and hopefully it will. You never know though.

**Public Comment**

Sharon Cerne spoke regarding the ambulance service. She asked if there will be any recourse with cancelling the Jeannette contract. Mr. Fossi stated that we parted amicably. She then asked if any monies have been given to Jeannette EMS. Mr. Fossi stated no. What will happen with the trailer? Mr. Fossi stated that it would be returned with some expenses that will be paid by the Township. Will someone from the Township oversee Sewickley Ambulance? Mr. Fossi stated that he will be appointed to the Sewickley Ambulance Board. There will be seven (7) board members. She then asked what was the point of having this when it hasn't been done before. The Supervisors feel that a Township Supervisor on the Board will help alleviate the problems they had in the past with communication. She ended with questions regarding the repairing of roads from the sewage construction and inquired about Brian Nicholls.

Joe Kerber made a motion, seconded by Wanda Layman, to disburse 2012 EMS Tax funds on behalf of Lower Volunteer Fire Company as follows:

S & T Bank – mortgage payment	\$ 602.25
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Voting: Mrs. Layman, Mr. Kerber, Mr. Fossi; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Joe Kerber made a motion, seconded by Wanda Layman, to disburse 2012 EMS Tax funds on behalf of Herminie Volunteer Fire Company as follows:

Premier Safety & Service, Inc. – lockers	\$ 6,021.42
Premier Safety & Service, Inc. – hose drying rack	\$ 1,558.02
Campbell Service Center – fuel	\$ 2,021.09
J. Marcoz Emergency Vehicle – radio batteries	\$ 1,035.76
J. Marcoz Emergency Vehicle – antenna cable for rescue	\$ 827.11
Kaza Fire Equipment Co. – pro foam pak system	\$ 858.47
Kaza Fire Equipment Co. – replace spotlight on engine	\$ 234.27

Voting: Mrs. Layman, Mr. Kerber, Mr. Fossi; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Joe Kerber made a motion, seconded by Wanda Layman, to disburse 2012 EMS Tax funds on behalf of Emergency Management as follows:

Jacobs Bag Corp. – 1,500 empty sandbags	\$ 420.00
Paul Rupnik, Jr. – two (2) locks for storage trailer	\$ 32.08

Voting: Mrs. Layman, Mr. Kerber, Mr. Fossi; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Joe Kerber made a motion, seconded by Wanda Layman, to receive proposals for Lawn Care Services, the cutting and trimming of the following locations, once per month. No proposals were received when advertised May 23, 2013 and May 30, 2013.

- a) Township Property located at corner of Pike Street and Elk Street, Herminie
- b) 24 Highland Avenue, Herminie
- c) Township Property located on Cameron Avenue, Hutchinson

These locations will be bid as a whole. One Lawn Care Service for all locations.

The Contractor shall be responsible for fuel, equipment, and Workers Compensation and Liability Insurance.

The advertisement shall be published in The Times-Sun on Thursday, June 27, 2013 and Thursday, July 4, 2013. Sealed proposals shall be received until 11:00am on Monday, July 15, 2013 and opened at that same date and time. Proposals shall be read aloud and recorded at the Regular Monthly Meeting of the Board of Supervisors to be held Wednesday, July 17, 2013 at 7:00pm. Voting: Mrs. Layman, Mr. Kerber, Mr. Fossi; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Joe Kerber made a motion, seconded by Wanda Layman, to approve a revised plan for the Miller Farm Incorporated subdivision (Eric Huffman) located on Curry Road near Sutersville. This plan subdivides Lot 2 containing 3.614 acres from a residual Lot 1 containing 53.460 acres. Both properties are zoned A-1. Public water would be available on the street if the owner would extend the line at his expense. This plan is based upon on-lot water and sewage and has been approved by the Planning Commission. Voting: Mrs. Layman, Mr. Kerber, Mr. Fossi; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Joe Kerber made a motion, seconded by Wanda Layman to approve Ordinance No. 2013-6 to amend the setback requirements for accessory structures in certain zoning districts. This Ordinance will allow smaller accessory structures in certain districts to be within five (5') feet of the property line. Voting: Mrs. Layman, Mr. Kerber, Mr. Fossi; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Wanda Layman made a motion, seconded by Alan Fossi, to advertise for bid draining replacements on Derr Road and Apples Mill Road. Board Comments: Mr. Kerber asked why this is being bid out. Mrs. Layman stated that Rick Skovensky wanted it done this way originally plus we will be short two guys. These are big jobs that need done. Voting: Mrs. Layman, yes ; Mr. Kerber, no ; Mr. Fossi, yes. Motion carried.

Wanda Layman made a motion, seconded by Alan Fossi, to advertise for paving on the following roads: Almond Street, Clopper Street, McClerge Road, and Church Street. Board Comments: Mr. Kerber asked why this is being bid out. Mrs. Layman stated that we are down two guys and also after a preliminary study, the cost should be worth it. Also, the jobs will be insured if an outside company comes in and does it. Voting: Mrs. Layman, yes ; Mr. Kerber, no ; Mr. Fossi, yes. Motion carried.

The following is a motion to advertise for repair that was bid last fall by the Roadmaster to the Municipal Authority of the Township of Sewickley. This bid was not brought before the Board of Supervisors and there is no paperwork to show how the prices of the bid were figured. MSATS awarded the bid to the Township, however by putting this out for bid, the Township can determine if it is feasible to award this to an outside contractor.

Wanda Layman made a motion, seconded by Alan Fossi, to advertise the following repairs for bid:

- 304 Meadow Lane – pave parking area
- 112 High Street – driveway repair
- 269 Maple Street – driveway repair
- 265 Hickory Street – driveway repair
- 42 Fourth Street – curb by garage to drainage (talk to owner)
- Oak Street – curb repair
- Corner of Oak and Chestnut – curb repair
- Oak Street across from Globosky – road repair
- Markle Street – curb repair top to bottom of hill on left side
- 124 Wilps Drive – curb repair
- 381 to 391 , 139 around corner to 165 Wilps Drive – curb repair
- Meadow Lane and McClerge Road between Fourth and Fifth Streets – road repair
- Seventh Street from Rear Sewickley Avenue to Sewickley Avenue – fill in and fix road
- 320 Church Street Alley – curb in back by garage to keep water from running in garage

Voting: Mrs. Layman, yes ; Mr. Kerber, no ; Mr. Fossi, yes. Motion carried.

Joe Kerber made a motion, seconded by Wanda Layman, to dissolve the agreement between Sewickley Township and Jeannette Ambulance Service, Inc. Voting: Mrs. Layman, Mr. Kerber, Mr. Fossi; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Joe Kerber made a motion, seconded by Wanda Layman, to approve the designation of Sewickley Township Community Ambulance Service in conjunction with Rostraver/West Newton Ambulance Service as the primary responder for Sewickley Township emergency calls subject to preparation and execution of final agreement. Voting: Mrs. Layman, Mr. Kerber, Mr. Fossi; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Written quotes were received for the salt bin concrete slab work located behind the Sewickley Township Municipal Building. They are as follows:

Jack Pore Construction, LLC	\$ 5,289.00
Tri-State Concrete, Inc.	\$ 12,132.00
Wees Concrete, Inc.	\$ 9,550.00

Joe Kerber made a motion, seconded by Wanda Layman, to award the salt bin concrete slab work located behind the Sewickley Township Municipal Building to Jack Pore Construction, LLC in the amount of \$5,289.00. Voting: Mrs. Layman, Mr. Kerber, Mr. Fossi; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Wanda Layman made a motion, seconded by Alan Fossi, to release Brian Nicholls, Public Works Director, from his probationary period. His salary will remain the same at the rate of \$18.00 per hour. Voting: Mrs. Layman, yes ; Mr. Kerber, no ; Mr. Fossi, yes. Motion carried.

Wanda Layman made a motion, seconded by Alan Fossi, to temporarily increase Public Works Director hours from 25 hours per week to 32 hours per week while two (2) road crew members are out on medical leave. Voting: Mrs. Layman, yes ; Mr. Kerber, no ; Mr. Fossi, yes. Motion carried.

Joe Kerber made a motion, seconded by Wanda Layman to authorize an extended renewal of Township medical with UPMC Small Business Advantage through November 30, 2014. Voting: Mrs. Layman, Mr. Kerber, Mr. Fossi; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Joe Kerber made a motion, seconded by Wanda Layman, to hire the following employee to work the 2013 season at Crabapple Pool.

First Year Guard - \$7.35 per hour	Kayla Gradowski
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Voting: Mrs. Layman, Mr. Kerber, Mr. Fossi; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

With Crabapple Pool being Township/Government property, the staff at Crabapple Pool feel it would be respectful and appropriate to have a Flag Pole and an American Flag (eventually a Sewickley Township flag as well) located prominently at the pool.

Donate \$50 for a spot on a plaque that will be placed at the base of the flag pole. Inscriptions can be "In Honor of", "In Memory Of", a business spot, or family spot.

Cost for Commercial Grade 20' aluminum pole with flag, hardware, plaque, and inscriptions will be approximately \$2,000.00.

Joe Kerber made a motion, seconded by Wanda Layman, to approve a fundraiser for Crabapple Pool called "Raise the Flag at Crabapple Pool". Voting: Mrs. Layman, Mr. Kerber, Mr. Fossi; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Joe Kerber made a motion, seconded by Wanda Layman, to accept Glenn Bell's resignation from the Sewickley Township Recreation Board effective June 1, 2013. Voting: Mrs. Layman, Mr. Kerber, Mr. Fossi; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Joe Kerber made a motion, seconded by Wanda Layman, to approve Resolution No. 27-2013 appointing Marty Ponebshek to the Sewickley Township Recreation Board. He will fulfill the term of Glenn Bell which shall expire on the first Monday of January, 2014. Voting: Mrs. Layman, Mr. Kerber, Mr. Fossi; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Joe Kerber made a motion, seconded by Wanda Layman, to approve the following bills for payment.

General Fund:	Checks 5428 to 5429 - \$ 976.66 (5/20/13)
	Checks 5430 to 5461 - \$ 34,357.22 (5/23/13)
	Checks 5462 to 5484 - \$ 13,624.85 (5/30/13)
	Checks 5485 to 5502 - \$ 15,063.27 (6/5/13)
	Checks 5503 to 5504 - \$ 91,198.37 (6/7/13)
Crabapple:	Checks 3959 to 3967 - \$ 2,967.52 (5/23/13)
	Checks 3968 to 3973 - \$ 2,991.77 (5/30/13)
	Checks 3974 to 3983 - \$ 1,468.25 (6/5/13)
Highway Aid:	Check 418 - \$ 34,533.08 (5/23/13)
Payroll Invoices:	Checks 2928 to 2931 - \$ 1,559.68 (5/23/13)
	Draft 90168 - \$ 920.33 (5/23/13)
	Checks 2934 to 2936 - \$ 2,276.88 (5/30/13)
	Checks 2959 to 2960 - \$ 347.71 (6/5/13)

Voting: Mrs. Layman, Mr. Kerber, Mr. Fossi; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Joe Kerber made a motion, seconded by Wanda Layman, to approve the following payrolls for payment.

Employees Payroll:

(twp)	5/24/13 - \$ 7,984.98 – check 2927 , drafts 23385 to 23396
(pool)	5/24/13 - \$ 1,428.41 – drafts 23397 and 23398
(twp)	5/31/13 - \$ 7,924.77 – check 2932 , drafts 23399 to 23410
(pool)	5/31/13 - \$ 1,679.12 – check 2933 , drafts 23411 and 23412
(twp)	6/7/13 - \$ 7,885.27 – check 2937 , drafts 23413 to 23424
(pool)	6/7/13 - \$ 3,850.73 – check 2938 to 2958 , drafts 23425 and 23426
(twp)	6/14/13 - \$ 9,597.41 – check 2961 & 2983 , drafts 23427 to 23438
(pool)	6/14/13 - \$ 3,229.59 – check 2962 to 2982 , drafts 23439 and 23440
(twp)	6/21/13 - \$ 8,221.86 – check 2984 , drafts 23441 to 23452
(pool)	6/21/13 - \$ 2,401.55 – checks 2985 to 3003 , drafts 23453 and 23454

Voting: Mrs. Layman, Mr. Kerber, Mr. Fossi; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

**New / Old Business**

We would like to sincerely thank Hazuza's Greenhouse and Grandview Nurseries for the donation of flowers and rock to Crabapple Park and Pool through Shane Stafford's Eagle Project.

We would also like to thank various Sewickley Township residents for their time and effort while putting in the flower gardens at Crabapple Park. It looks beautiful!

The 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Fishing Derby was a huge success once again this year. Thank you to Mr. Janiro, Mrs. Connie Bosko, Fox's Pizza, K-Vays Restaurant, and all the local businesses and sponsors that made donations to make this event so special for all the kids.

PennDOT District 12 would like to let motorists know that soon they will have a safer crossing over Sewickley Creek as they travel the Waltz Mill Road Bridge. Between June 3, 2013 and late December, 2013, the Waltz Mill Bridge, which is on a section of Waltz Mill Road between Pittsburgh Pike and Interstate 70, will be closed and detoured so that the bridge can be replaced. A marked detour will use Interstate 70, First Street, Huntingdon Road, and Pittsburgh Pike. The contractor on this \$1.3 million project is The Lane Construction Company. Motorists are reminded to drive with caution and be alert when entering a work zone.

With no further business to come before the Board, Joe Kerber made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Wanda Layman. Voting: Mrs. Layman, Mr. Kerber, Mr. Fossi; yes. Meeting adjourned at 7:40pm.

Susan D. Leukhardt  
Secretary-Treasurer