

Chairperson Wanda Layman on Wednesday, June 20, 2012 at 7:00pm at the Sewickley Township 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 12, 2012. The members of the Board of Supervisors present were Wanda Layman, Joe Kerber, and Alan Fossi. Also attending the meeting were K. Waryanka, Kathy Kerber, Norm Vinsick, Marianne Errett, Hank Kuzmkowski, Amber Kline, Ann McWilliams, Jack McWilliams, Sharon Cerne, Alan Samulski, Paul Rupnik, Jr., Rick Takacs, Mike Williams, Steve Solomon, Stacey Federoff, Dean Zimmerman, and Paula Alcott.

Mrs. Layman led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**An Executive Session was held on May 24, 2013 at 10:30am to discuss personnel issues.**

**Report from Road Master, Joe Kerber**

This was a very busy month. We put a 6" coat of millings on Brunazzi Road. The millings came from Chevron off of state roads. We paved the base coat at Crabapple Park and Pool. We brushed Library Alley, Rillton-Guffey, Highland, 8<sup>th</sup> Street, Hickory, and Birch. The sweeper truck has made its first complete run through the Township. We have a couple more spots to hit next week to finish the second run. The mower has finished its first run through the Township also. We have been spraying the country roads and need about two more weeks to finish. We repaired a catch basin on Iris Street in Lowber. We repaired a storm pipe at Fourth and McClerge and also one on New Blocks. We pulled storm ditches on Meadow, Rillton Guffey, 8<sup>th</sup> Street, Highland, and Library. These roads are being prepped for paving. We also repaired a storm pipe on Meade and Hood in Hutchinson.

**Report from Recreation Director, Janet Schork (given by Alan Fossi)**

The Annual Fishing Derby was held on Saturday. We had a very nice attendance and the event was a big success. Thank you to Mr. Janiro for coordinating this event with the Recreation Board. A professional football team is now using Bruno Field as their home field. The attendance has been moderate, but they are very pleased with our facility. At Crabapple Pool, we are having a free swim Splash Party on Saturday, June 30<sup>th</sup> from 7:30pm to 10:30pm. The pool chair lift for handicapped individuals is available upon request. Norwin Aqua Club is renting the pool for their swim team. They are supplying their own liability insurance and will be compensating us for the use of the pool. We are now having Moonlight Swims every Wednesday night from 7:30pm to 10:00pm with a \$3.00 admission. Lastly, we would like to say a special Thank You to Ray Williams for the donation of a pizza warmer.

**Report from Ordinance Officer, Dean Zimmerman**

First, Mr. Zimmerman apologized for not being here for last month's meeting. He had a medical emergency concerning his father-in-law and he was happy to report that he is now doing fine. Now that summer has arrived, the number of tall grass complaints has really escalated. Additionally, as he drives around the Township investigating other complaints, it has become very easy to spot those properties, both private and commercial, that need attention. He mailed out quite a few letters to property owners in the last few weeks about tall grass. We are still working on getting some of the dilapidated and/or burned out properties around the Township demolished through the RACW but progress has been slow. We have been approved for two properties this year and possibly a third if monies are available toward the end of the year. We are waiting to hear from the RACW as to when we can start on the first house. All of us at this table would like nothing more than to see these buildings gone. He still has one property that is going through Common Pleas Court in Greensburg but he has not been notified of any hearings yet. He has another new criminal complaint filed with the District Court for a burned out house. He also has two rescheduled trials next Tuesday, June 26<sup>th</sup>. These were originally held earlier in the year. Judge Christner continued the hearings to give both individuals time to bring their properties into compliance.

He checked with the Court this morning and there are still outstanding arrest warrants issued in four of his other cases. Bonfire complaints and dumping seems to have eased up lately. We have purchased some "No Dumping" signs and they should be up soon in a couple prime areas. He reminded folks that the fine for illegal dumping is now up to \$1,000.00 per occurrence plus court costs so it can be an expensive way to get rid of their trash and it may even be cheaper to take it to a land fill. He is continuing to follow up on various violations throughout the Township and have seen some progress in a few places.

**Public Comment**

Hank Kuzmkowski spoke about the dumping in the Township. How can we get people to stop? Mrs. Layman stated that we need to actually catch them. If anyone sees something, get as much detailed information as possible to the Township. Mr. Kuzmkowski stated that people are dumping at the old Bolton Town Dump across from Heather Drive. He then asked if the clean outs for sewage are allowed to be in a right of way.

Rick Takacs of Crescent Drive spoke of rain water running down the hill from Crescent onto private property. Mr. Takacs measured the length of road that tapers towards these houses and it's 18 ½ foot wide and 680 feet long. All this water drains onto private property. The residents put in drainage at the end of Crescent at their expense to catch the water, but it can't handle the heavy downpours. The water comes from Crescent and across Teak Lane which is gravel and then all accumulates in their catch basin. Mr. Takacs presented pictures to the Supervisors. He is asking for a solution to prevent all this water going onto their private property; maybe a catch basin on a corner at the low point? Or the Township could asphalt the beginning of Teak Lane so the water could run into their private drain without all the gravel from Teak Lane. Mr. Takacs feels none of this should be the resident's responsibility. Mr. Kerber asked how long Mr. Takacs has been a resident there. Mr. Takacs stated ten years. Paul Rupnik, Jr. has lived there for twelve years. Mr. Kerber stated that this has been an ongoing problem since before they were there. If a catch basin is put in, the water will go on private property. Mrs. Layman stated that the Township Engineer can come out and take a look for a possible solution. Mr. Kerber stated that if water is diverted onto private property, even with the owner's permission, the Township is responsible for any erosion problem that could occur on the private property. Mr. Kerber feels that asphaltting the beginning of Teak Lane may be the right way to go with this problem.

Joe Kerber made a motion, seconded by Alan Fossi, to disburse 2011 EMS Tax funds on behalf of Herminie Volunteer Fire Company as follows:

Wann Factory Outlet.com	winch for brush truck	\$ 1,489.80
First National Bank	pay off for brush truck	\$ 5,299.79

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

Joe Kerber made a motion, seconded by Alan Fossi, to disburse 2011 EMS Tax funds on behalf of Hutchinson Volunteer Fire Company as follows:

S & T Bank	pay off 1987 pierce engine	\$ 15,189.96
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Voting: Mrs. Layman, Mr. Kerber, Mr. Fossi; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Joe Kerber made a motion, seconded by Alan Fossi, to disburse 2011 EMS Tax funds on behalf of the Sewickley Township Ambulance Service as follows:

HC Global	radio and parts for squad	\$ 2,469.52
Bound Tree Medical	splints & intubation bag	\$ 328.62
Bound Tree Medical	safety needles	\$ 34.42
Bound Tree Medical	safety needles & cold pack	\$ 95.83
Bound Tree Medical	misc medical supplies	\$ 1,079.85

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

Joe Kerber made a motion, seconded by Alan Fossi, to adopt Resolution No. 28-2012 making Janet Schork, Recreation Director, a full-time employee, with flexible hours, of the Township of Sewickley effective July 2, 2012. Benefits will be offered as follows:

\$ 11.00 - hourly wage (currently \$10.00 per hour)  
time & a half - overtime wage (hours worked over 40 per week, following union contract)

Benefits per year:

paid holidays for the remainder of the year  
5 paid vacation days  
3 paid sick days  
2 paid personal days

Offering UPMC Medical, United Concordia Dental, Highmark Vision, Life Insurance, Short and Long Term Disability Insurance (employee paying 10% of all benefits) and pension.

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

Joe Kerber made a motion, seconded by Alan Fossi, to receive proposals for the rental of equipment with qualified operators to produce paving for Turnback Roads.

The advertisement shall be published in the Times Sun on Thursday, June 28, 2012 and Thursday, July 5, 2012. Sealed proposals shall be received until 12:00pm on Monday, July 16, 2012 and opened at that time. The Township reserves the right to accept or reject all bids. Voting: Mrs. Layman, Mr. Kerber, Mr. Fossi; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Joe Kerber made a motion, seconded by Alan Fossi, to approve an agreement between the Township of Sewickley and Kristy Leigh Riddle in the amount of \$3,447.00 regarding an issue with a controlled burn undertaken by the local volunteer fire department. Voting: Mrs. Layman, Mr. Kerber, Mr. Fossi; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Joe Kerber made a motion, seconded by Alan Fossi, to approve agreements for Temporary Sewage Holding Tanks for Chevron gas well drilling sites within Sewickley Township. Agreement allows the placement of a holding tank at each well site for no more than 18 months with a permit fee of \$150.00 for each well pad site and the additional payment of a \$1,000 cash bond for each well pad site to guarantee proper pumping, maintenance, inspection and removal of the holding tanks. Voting: Mrs. Layman, Mr. Kerber, Mr. Fossi; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Joe Kerber made a motion, seconded by Alan Fossi, to approve proposed Ordinance No. 2012-4 to impose a 10 ton road weight limitation on a portion of Township Road 402, West Newton Street in Herminie between Clay Pike and Lowber Road, based upon the engineer's recommendation. This matter has been advertised in the newspaper of June 7, 2012, and copies of the draft Ordinance have been available at the Westmoreland County Law Library and with the local newspaper. Board Comments: Mr. Kerber stated that this is being done because West Newton Street is a brand new road. PennDOT is going to put a weight limit on Madison-Herminie Road. We want to protect our newly paved road from heavy truck traffic. Voting: Mrs. Layman, Mr. Kerber, Mr. Fossi; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Joe Kerber made a motion seconded by Alan Fossi, to approve the Sampson Consolidated Plan that joins lots 14, 15, and 16 located at 206 Locust Street in Sutersville. The existing dwelling is located on lots 14 and 15. Public water and sewer service are present for the lots. This plan 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 Alan Fossi, to approve a "Controlled Burn Procedure" for the Township of Sewickley. All fire departments will be responsible for following this procedure. Voting: Mrs. Layman, Mr. Kerber, Mr. Fossi; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Joe Kerber made a motion, seconded by Alan Fossi, to approve that the Township Building will house all keys to every facility located on Township owned property. The Township will be the only entity responsible for the changing of the locks when necessary. Voting: Mrs. Layman, Mr. Kerber, Mr. Fossi; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Joe Kerber made a motion, seconded by Alan Fossi, to permit Robert Kardos, Equipment Operator, to carry over 26 hours of personal time into the new contract year. This benefit time has to be used by December 31, 2012. Voting: Mrs. Layman, Mr. Kerber, Mr. Fossi; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Joe Kerber made a motion, seconded by Alan Fossi, to allow the Yough High School Band to have a Schwan's Truck Sale in the Bruno Field parking lot on Friday, August 3, 2012 from 10:00am to 6:00pm. Voting: Mrs. Layman, Mr. Kerber, Mr. Fossi; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Joe Kerber made a motion, seconded by Alan Fossi, to ratify the approval of Student Transportation of Yough School District to park a school bus in the parking lot at Bruno Field with a banner advertising for drivers for the next school year. Voting: Mrs. Layman, Mr. Kerber, Mr. Fossi; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Joe Kerber made a motion, seconded by Alan Fossi, to hire the following employee to work the 2012 season at Crabapple Pool.

First Year Guard - \$7.35 per hour                      Samantha Miller

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

Joe Kerber made a motion, seconded by Alan Fossi, to open Crabapple Pool to the public on Wednesday evenings from 7:30pm to 10:00pm with an admission price of \$3.00 per person. Voting: Mrs. Layman, Mr. Kerber, Mr. Fossi; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Joe Kerber made a motion, seconded by Alan Fossi, to authorize the rental of Crabapple Pool to the Norwin Aqua Club for 12 days between July 26, 2012 and August 10, 2012 from 8:30am to 11:30am in the amount of \$300.00. Norwin Aqua Club will supply Liability Insurance. Voting: Mrs. Layman, Mr. Kerber, Mr. Fossi; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

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

General Fund:	Checks 4590 to 4604 - \$ 25,346.52 (5/23/12) Check 4605 - \$ 40.00 (5/23/12) Checks 4606 to 4639 - \$ 40,987.95 (6/11/12) Check 4640 - \$ 147.12 (6/11/12)
Crabapple:	Checks 3830 to 3834 - \$ 1,269.77 (5/23/12) Check 3835 - \$ 390.00 (5/23/12) Checks 3836 to 3848 - \$ 6,699.21 (6/11/12)
Highway Aid:	Check 407 - \$ 34,533.08 (5/23/12)
Payroll Invoices:	Draft 90128 - \$ 872.38 (5/22/12) Checks 2518 to 2519 - \$ 1,816.20 (5/23/12) Draft 90129 - \$ 13,844.92 (5/23/12) Draft 90130 - \$ 700.78 (6/1/12) Check 2546 - \$ 134.08 (6/11/12) Draft 90131 - \$ 1,057.80 (6/18/12)

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

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

Employees Payroll:

(twp)	5/25/12 - \$ 12,811.32 – checks 2515 to 2516 , drafts 22728 to 22738
(pool)	5/25/12 - \$ 1,514.39 – check 2517 , drafts 22739 to 22740
(twp)	6/1/12 - \$ 9,887.17 – checks 2520 to 2521 , drafts 22741 to 22751
(pool)	6/1/12 - \$ 3,050.22 – checks 2522 to 2530 , drafts 22752 to 22753
(twp)	6/8/12 - \$ 9,659.05 – checks 2531 to 2532 & 2545, drafts 22754 to 22764
(pool)	6/8/12 - \$ 2,275.11 – checks 2533 to 2544 , drafts 22765 to 22766
(twp)	6/15/12 - \$ 9,215.60 – checks 2547 to 2548 , drafts 22767 to 22777
(pool)	6/15/12 - \$ 3,223.45 – checks 2549 to 2564 , drafts 22778 to 22779
(twp)	6/22/12 - \$ 8,744.33 – checks 2565 to 2566 , drafts 22780 to 22790
(pool)	6/22/12 - \$ 3,811.06 – checks 2567 to 2581 , drafts 22791 to 22792

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

**New / Old Business**

We would like to sincerely thank Hazuza's Greenhouse for the donation of flowers to Crabapple Park and Pool!

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 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Fishing Derby was a huge success once again this year. Thank you to Mr. Janiro and all the local businesses and sponsors that made donations to make this event so special for all the kids.

Marianne Errett spoke of the new picnic tables at the park. They were only over there three days and they are already burned and have graffiti on them. Those were built and donated by Mr. Janiro and his shop class. Mrs. Layman stated that they will now be locked inside the fence. A resident asked about putting cameras up.

With no further business to come before the Board, Joe Kerber made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Alan Fossi. Voting: Mrs. Layman, Mr. Kerber, Mr. Fossi; yes. Meeting adjourned at 7:50pm.

Susan D. Leukhardt  
Secretary-Treasurer