

Chairman Brian Merdian on Wednesday, March 15, 2017 at 7:00pm in the Meeting Room of the Municipal Building called the Regular Meeting of the Sewickley Township Board of Supervisors to order as advertised in the Tribune Review on Tuesday, December 27, 2016. The members of the Board of Supervisors present were Brian Merdian, Joseph Kerber, and Alan Fossi. Also attending the meeting were Jacob Frohnhofner, Tom Benner, James Balog, John Seanor, Bob Janzef, Judy Janzef, Lisa Smartnick, Lori Jones, Wayne Jones, Tracy Hampshire, David Hampshire, Sandy Dull, Eugene Ziegler, Ruth Lucov, Mike Lucov, Rita Aujay, Mike Aujay, Tom Lord, Mark Petros, Jason Magill, Kathy Kerber, Linda Harvey, Ashley Moyer, Margoret Sensue, Geraldine Benson, Russ Shank, Debi Pils, Zachary Kansler, Janet Schork and Erika Horvat.

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

**An Executive Session was held on March 15, 2017 at 6:00pm to discuss legal matters.**

**Report from Roadmaster, Joe Kerber**

We plowed and salted two days in February. We were out patching roads for three days. Spread stone on Lily Street in Lowber. Pulled ditches along Sewickley Hill Rd, Stewart Ln. and Shaner Rd. We fixed the storm pipe and catch box on Diamond Alley. Replaced three storm pipes on Shaner Road and replaced two storm pipes on Stewart Lane.

**Report from Ordinance Officer, Bill Hause, given by Supervisor Brian Merdian**

Since our last meeting I have been handling the usual complaints on various properties around the Township. In the past month I've been working with the DEP on cleaning up the property near the railroad tracks in Lowber. We had some success with the help of the DEP and this property was cleaned up and brought into compliance. I've been answering complaints in regards to junk motor vehicles and I was able to get two of them removed from the Herminie area. I've been following up with the certified letters that was sent to our nuisance's properties and hopefully come spring they will keep their promise of bringing their properties into compliance.

A resident asked about the appeals case in February regarding the properties around Limerick and General Braddock Roads. The resident asked if there was any success in collecting the fine. Also, wanting to know what the plan is to get these properties cleaned up. Erika Horvat stated that they received the payment for the fine of \$1,000.00. The resident asked what is the plan to get these properties in compliance. Mr. Merdian stated that the Ordinance Officer will continue to monitor him to make sure he is brought into compliance; we are not going to let this rest.

**Report from Recreation Director, Janet Schork**

**Crabapple Pool:**

- I met with our pool supplier, Lou Schmidt, at Crabapple Pool to evaluate what maintenance needs to be performed before we can open.
  - We will need new ADA compliant steps, 2 new ladders, pool floor concrete work, and pool lights repaired this spring.
- I will have a list of work to be done at the park and pool to the supervisors next week. Roger will most likely need one worker for a couple of days in April/May.

**Recreation Center:**

- **Gym Rentals:**
  - We continue to have full rental through Mid-April.
- **Jump Start Sports Camps:**
  - Our soccer camp for 3 to 6 year olds finished last Saturday. We had 21 participants. This is the final Jump Start Camp we will have at the recreation center this season.
  - I will be meeting with the director of Jump Start Sports in April to discuss summer programs.
  - Once I have an outline of classes, I will forward to the Supervisors for approval.
- **Annual Easter Egg Hunt**
  - The recreation board has set the annual Easter egg hunt for Saturday, April 15, at Noon, to be held at the Bruno Field Complex at the baseball and football fields.
  - Easter Bunny will be available at 11:30
  - For children ages Infant – 12
  - Pre-registration is required

- **Newsletter**
  - The township information newsletter is at the printer and expected delivery date is next Tuesday, the 21<sup>st</sup>. We will then prepare newsletters for mailing on the 22<sup>nd</sup> and the 23<sup>rd</sup> if needed. Delivery to the post offices will be on Friday, the 24<sup>th</sup>.
  - Newsletter should be in our resident's mail either Saturday or Monday.
  - Thank you to the Board of Supervisors and Debi and Erika for all of their help.
- **Art Studio**
  - Andi Sharp will be offering art classes to children and adults mid-April. The new art studio, previously the trophy room on the first floor of the recreation center, is almost complete and ready for Andi to begin her classes.
  - Once I receive her list of classes, I will forward to the supervisors.

Joe Kerber made a motion seconded by Alan Fossi to approve the minutes of the Sewickley Township Board of Supervisors Regular Meeting held on February 15, 2017. Voting: Mr. Kerber, Mr. Merdian, Mr. Fossi; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **Public Comment**

Tom Bonner had a question about the new Hydrant and Light Tax. Mr. Meridian stated that with the budget that we passed for 2017, we abolished the previous Street Light Tax that was charged to just residents who had a street light on their property. We then made a flat tax for all properties to cover the cost that we incur for the maintenance and operation of those street lights. Our intent with that tax is to not only pay for the power charges, but by switching to LED lights which we did throughout the township, there should be cost savings and to use those savings to go buy more street lights and to increase the street lights throughout the community. The Fire Hydrant Tax is again assessed to all properties in the Township to cover the cost that we are beginning to incur from the Municipal Authority of Westmoreland County for testing and maintenance of these hydrants. Mr. Bonner stated that it doesn't seem fair to tax someone for something that they don't have. Mr. Merdian stated that we all benefit from the Street Lights and we all travel on all the roads. Even though some of us don't have hydrants the pumper truck will go to the closest hydrant retrieve the water and then transport it over to the site. Mr. Merdian stated that Second Class Township allows for us to make this decision as a board.

John Seanor asked if anything was accomplished with the making of names public who are delinquent on their garbage bills. Mr. Merdian stated we are not allowed to distribute that information out to the public. That would be against privacy rules. Mr. Seanor stated that he does not have any street lights where he lives. Mr. Merdian stated that again we are looking into increasing the number of street lights throughout the township.

Judy Janzef lives on Hildenbrand Lane. Her question was also about the Street Light Tax. She stated that she has been paying for her own street light for about twenty years now. Also, she wanted to know if Hildenbrand Lane was on the list to be paved. Mr. Kerber stated that it is but Sunoco is coming through with another well. I don't want to pave a road that is going to get tore up. It is on my list.

Lori Jones noticed that the corner lot of Clay Pike and Sewickley Ave. is decorated. She doesn't recall being at a meeting where that is approved. She asked why it wasn't approved at a public meeting. Mr. Merdian stated that it was decorated by the Township, that there was not an outside organization that decorated it. Mrs. Jones asked if this should be approved at a meeting, you guys are just residents like the rest of us. She also stated that the Business Association has a two hundred dollar check that they collected from their Go Fund Me Account to raise money for the Crabapple Lake work. Mr. Merdian stated that you hold that for now. We are looking at several different ways to get the lake repaired. We will look into a specific means to use that money, but for now I ask that you hold the check in till those means are found.

Tracy Hampshire wanted to state everything she says tonight is public record, whether its township minutes, The Court of Common Pleas or at the local district justice office. See attached for her statement.

Dave Hampshire went on to discuss the rest of the statement attached provided by Tracy Hampshire. Attorney Kansler stated that he met with Mr. Turik's attorney yesterday and stated to him that his client has put up a sign and it was inappropriate and that he shouldn't have put it there and it needs to be removed.

Sandy Dull wanted to comment on number thirty on the agenda. Mr. Merdian stated we can discuss this when we vote on the motion.

Ashley Moyer just bought a house here in the township at 161 Wendell Road. Her concern is with two pieces of property, one is to the right of her property and one is behind her property. She was wondering if he will be bringing that property into compliance and if we could explain to her what that means. Ms. Moyer stated that you cannot apply for a junkyard license after you have been out of compliance. Attorney Kansler went on to explain that being out of compliance means that you would need to remove all junk and junk motor vehicles as defined in the township code. There is a variety of mechanisms we could use to bring someone into compliance, we started with the least expensive and most quick, citing him for code violations and we were able to get the maximum penalty permitted. We have also discussed other measures to get this property into compliance if these citations don't work.

Margaret Sensue would like to state that the issue that Ashley Moyer spoke about has been going on for over ten years and we have been more than patient.

Nancy Larson lives on Pinewood Road in the new townhouses. She stated they are in the back and its really dark back there. She was asking if there would be a street light put in and if there is a timeline for it. The Supervisors stated that the builder was to put in street lights. The Supervisors stated that we will speak to Mike Stack, the building inspector, and see if there are supposed to be lights back there. Ms. Larson also asked if Pinewood Road is on the paving list. Mr. Kerber stated that it is and it is at the bottom of the list. We are looking at trying to get the ditches taken care of first.

Russ Shank asked why the bids aren't opened up here at a public meeting. Mr. Merdian stated that it is so that we can prepare the agenda. Mr. Kerber stated the bid opening is done in a public meeting and that there were people present. The lowest bidder came in late and we rejected his bid because of it and awarded it to the next lowest bidder, which was Blaze Bazzo.

Joe Kerber made a motion seconded by Alan Fossi to disburse 2016 EMS Tax funds on behalf of Lowber Volunteer Fire Company as follows:

S & T Bank – mortgage payment	\$ 602.25
Schulte's Enterprise – annual inspection	<u>\$ 41.00</u>
	<b>\$ 643.25</b>

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

Joe Kerber made a motion seconded by Alan Fossi to disburse 2016 EMS Tax funds on behalf of Herminie Volunteer Fire Company as follows:

Webb's Service Center – maintenance on 08 Ford	\$ 728.69
Premier Safety & Service – multiple invoices for maintenance of trucks	<u>\$ 1,236.50</u>
	<b>\$ 1,965.19</b>

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

Joe Kerber made a motion, seconded by Alan Fossi to disburse 2016 EMS Tax funds on behalf of Hutchinson Volunteer Fire Company as follows:

Export Tire – tires for firetruck	\$ 1,244.40
Premier Safety & Service – compressor	\$ 700.00
Iron Compass – Onscene Xplorer yearly subscription	<u>\$ 650.00</u>
	<b>\$ 2,594.40</b>

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

Joe Kerber made a motion, seconded by Alan Fossi to disburse 2016 EMS Tax funds on behalf of Sewickley Township Emergency Management as follows:

Rupp Fiore – rental insurance	\$ 27.00
Comcast – activation fee, monthly phone, cable, internet	<u>\$ 383.71</u>
	<b>\$ 410.71</b>

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

Proposals for approximately 3,500 ton of Type 2 anti-skid materials were opened, read aloud, and recorded on Monday, March 13, 2017 at 10:00am as follows:

		Ligonier Stone & Lime Company d/b/a Derry Stone & Lime Company	
		FOB Plant Per Ton	Deliver to Twp Bldg Per Ton
3,500 ton	Type 2 Anti-Skid Material	\$15.80	\$24.43

Joe Kerber made a motion, seconded by Alan Fossi to award the proposal for approximately 3,500 ton of Type 2 Anti-Skid to Ligonier Stone & Lime Company at the above prices. The contract shall be effective April 26, 2017 to April 25, 2018. Voting: Mr. Kerber, Mr. Merdian, Mr. Fossi; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Proposals for the following were opened, read aloud, and recorded on Monday, March 13, 2017, at 10:00am as follows:

	Pleasant Unity Supply
	Deliver to Twp Bldg
Pre-Cast Basin (Penn Dot Type) 2' x 4' x 3'	\$ 275
Pre-Cast Basin (Penn Dot Type) 2' x 4' x 2'	\$ 225
Pre-Cast Basin (Penn Dot Type) 2' x 2' x 2'	\$ 176
Type "M" Inlet Top with Bicycle Grate 2' x 4' x 8"	\$ 360
Type "M" Inlet Top with Bicycle Grate 2' x 4' x 6"	\$ 405
Type "M" Inlet Top with Bicycle Grate 2' x 2' x 8"	\$ 200
2' x 4' x 2" Inlet Riser	No Bid
2' x 4' x 4" Inlet Riser	\$ 52
2' x 4' x 1" Inlet Riser	No Bid
2' x 4' x 6" Inlet Riser	\$ 57
2' x 4' x 8" Inlet Riser	\$104
2' x 4' x 12" Inlet Riser	\$ 80
2' x 4' x 1 ½ Inlet Riser	\$ 300
2' x 2' x 1 ½ Inlet Riser	\$ 300
Manhole Riser 1 ½ "	\$ 210

Joe Kerber made a motion, seconded by Alan Fossi to award the 2017 Catch Basins and Risers Bids to Pleasant Unity Supply at the above prices. The contract shall be effective April 26, 2017 to April 25, 2018. Voting: Mr. Kerber, Mr. Merdian, Mr. Fossi; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Proposals for the following were opened, read aloud, and recorded on Monday, March 13, 2017 at 10:00am as follows:

		Chemung Supply	Pleasant Unity Supply
	Deliver to Township Building Per Foot / Each		
100 feet	10 inch smooth bore plastic pipe, 20 foot sections	\$ 3.75	\$ 3.75
400 feet	12 inch smooth bore plastic pipe, 20 foot sections	\$ 4.15	\$ 4.15
600 feet	24 inch smooth bore plastic pipe, 20 foot sections	\$ 13.65	\$ 13.65
100 feet	36 inch smooth bore plastic pipe, 20 foot sections	\$ 23.75	\$ 23.75
200 feet	6 inch Schedule 40 plastic pipe, 10 foot sections	No Bid	\$ 2.70
30 each	4 inch Femco plastic to plastic	No Bid	\$ 4.20
30 each	4 inch Femco clay to plastic	No Bid	\$ 4.20
120 feet	60 inch smooth bore plastic pipe, 20 foot sections Must be PennDot Approved	\$ 80.00	\$ 80.00
1,000 ft	6 inch under drain pipe 100 foot rolls	\$ 0.90	\$ 0.90
300 feet	15 inch plastic pipe double wall w/ smooth interior	\$ 5.75	\$ 5.75
300 feet	18 inch plastic pipe double wall w/ smooth interior	\$ 8.10	\$ 8.10
100 feet	48 inch plastic pipe double wall w/ smooth interior	\$ 39.75	\$ 39.75

Joe Kerber made a motion, seconded by Alan Fossi to award the 2017 Pipe Bids to Pleasant Unity Supply at the above prices. The contract shall be effective April 26, 2017 to April 25, 2018. Voting: Mr. Kerber, Mr. Merdian, Mr. Fossi; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Proposals for the following were opened, read aloud, and recorded on Monday, March 13, 2017 at 10:00am as follows:

		Hanson Aggregates
		Deliver to Twp Bldg
1,000 ton	1B	\$ 28.15
2,500 ton	2A Modified	\$ 16.40
2,500 ton	2B (#57 Limestone)	\$ 19.40
800 ton	AASHTO No 3	\$ 19.40
2,500 ton	#3 (#67 Limestone)	\$ 20.40
500 ton	R-4 Gabion Stone	\$ 21.90
500 ton	#4 Stone	\$ 19.40
200 ton	R-6 Stone	\$ 25.65
500 ton	R-4	\$ 21.90

Joe Kerber made a motion, seconded by Alan Fossi to award the 2017 Stone Bid to Hanson Aggregates. The contract shall be effective April 26, 2017 to April 25, 2018. Voting: Mr. Kerber, Mr. Merdian, Mr. Fossi; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Proposals for the following were opened, read aloud, and recorded on Monday, March 13, 2017 at 10:00am as follows:

		Russell Standard Corp	Midland Asphalt	Suit - Kote
		Delivered As Directed	Delivered As Directed	Delivered As Directed
5,000 gallon	AE -- T (Tack Oil) Delivered	\$ 2.093	No Bid	\$ 1.627
50,000 gallon	E-3M Oil	\$ 1.863	\$ 1.785	\$ 1.883
4,000 gallon	E-1 Prime	\$ 1.543	\$ 1.464	\$ 1.460

- A) Joe Kerber made a motion, seconded by Alan Fossi to award the following items to Suit - Kote: 5,000 gallon AE – T (Tack Oil) Delivered and 4,000 gallon E–1 Prime. The contract shall be effective April 26, 2017 to April 25, 2018. Voting: Mr. Kerber, Mr. Merdian, Mr. Fossi; yes. Motion carried unanimously.
- B) Joe Kerber made a motion, seconded by Alan Fossi to award the following item to Midland Asphalt: 50,000 gallon E-3M Oil. The contract shall be effective April 26, 2017 to April 25, 2018. Voting: Mr. Kerber, Mr. Merdian, Mr. Fossi; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Proposals for the following were opened, read aloud, and recorded on Monday, March 13, 2017 at 10:00am as follows:

		Hanson Aggregates
		FOB Plant
5,000 ton	Superpave Asphalt 9.5 mm, PG 64-22 0 to 0.3 million ESAL's SRL-G	\$ 54.00
2,000 ton	Superpave Asphalt 19.0 mm, PG 64-22 0 to 0.3 million ESAL's SRL-G	\$ 48.00
500 ton	Superpave Asphalt 25.0 mm, PG 64-22 0 to 0.3 million ESAL's SRL-G	\$ 46.00

Joe Kerber made a motion, seconded by Alan Fossi, to award the Superpave Contract to Hanson Aggregates at the above prices. The contract shall be effective April 26, 2017 to April 25, 2018. Voting: Mr. Kerber, Mr. Merdian, Mr. Fossi; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Joe Kerber made a motion, seconded by Alan Fossi to purchase Bituminous Stockpile Patching material (cold mix) through Hei-Way, LLC which is also through the COSTARS Program. Voting: Mr. Kerber, Mr. Merdian, Mr. Fossi; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Proposals were opened, read aloud, and recorded on Monday, March 13, 2017 at 11:00am for "Township Mowing". They are as follows:

<b>"TOWNSHIP MOWING"</b> <b>Includes the following locations</b>	<b>Blaize Bazzo</b>	<b>Russ's Lawn Service</b>	<b>Steel City</b>
a) Township Building lawn	\$489.94	\$490.00	\$680.00
b) Recreation Center lawn			
c) Recreation Center bank facing Pike Street			
d) Guffey Cemetery			
e) Quaker Cemetery			
f) Shaner Honor Roll			
g) The Project 70 property located at the Sewickley Township Volunteer Fire Company No. 3 (Rillton)			
h) Reservoir Road Cemetery			
i) Lowber Playground (inside and outside of fence)			
j) 24 Highland Avenue, Herminie			
k) Township Property located on Cameron Avenue, Hutchinson			
l) Hutchinson Playground			
m) Township Property located at the corner of Pike Street			

Joe Kerber made a motion, seconded by Alan Fossi to award the "Township Mowing" contract for the locations listed above to Blaize Bazzo. This includes the cutting and trimming of those locations when the height of the grass reaches four inches. The Contractor shall be responsible for labor, fuel, materials, equipment costs, and Workers Compensation and Liability Insurance. The contract shall be effective March 16, 2017. Voting: Mr. Kerber, Mr. Merdian, Mr. Fossi; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Proposals were opened, read aloud, and recorded on Monday, March 13, 2017 at 11:00am for "The Mowing of Township Properties for Sale". They are as follows:

<b>"TOWNSHIP MOWING"</b> <b>Includes the following locations</b>	<b>Blaize Bazzo</b>	<b>Russ's Lawn Service</b>	<b>Steel City</b>	<b>Lawn Sharks</b>
a) The former Herminie Reservoir property located on Highland Avenue	\$35.00	\$20.00	\$40.00	\$120.00
b) Keystone Playground	\$35.00	\$15.00	\$40.00	\$75.00
c) Township Property located at the corner of Pike and Elk St., Herminie	\$25.00	\$15.00	\$30.00	\$40.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$95.00</b>	<b>\$50.00</b>	<b>\$110.00</b>	<b>\$235.00</b>

Joe Kerber made a motion, seconded by Alan Fossi to award the "The Mowing of Township Properties for Sale" contract for the locations listed above to Russ's Lawn Service. This includes the cutting and trimming of those locations when the height of the grass reaches four inches. The Contractor shall be responsible for labor, fuel, materials, equipment costs, and Workers Compensation and Liability Insurance. The contract shall be effective March 16, 2017. Voting: Mr. Kerber, Mr. Merdian, Mr. Fossi; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Proposals were opened, read aloud, and recorded on Monday, March 13, 2017 at 11:00am for "Crabapple Mowing". They are as follows:

<b>"CRABAPPLE MOWING" Includes the following locations</b>	<b>Blaze Bazzo</b>	<b>Russ's Lawn Service</b>	<b>Steel City</b>
John C. Bruno Memorial Football Field	\$419.94	\$420.00	\$500.00
All baseball and softball fields			
Crabapple Park			

Joe Kerber made a motion, seconded by Alan Fossi to award the "Crabapple Mowing" contract for the locations listed above to Blaze Bazzo. This includes the cutting and trimming of those locations when the height of the grass reaches three inches. The Contractor shall be responsible for labor, fuel, materials, equipment costs and Workers Compensation and Liability Insurance. The contract shall be effective March 16, 2017. Voting: Mr. Kerber, Mr. Merdian, Mr. Fossi; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Joe Kerber made a motion, seconded by Alan Fossi to authorize Gibson-Thomas Engineering to begin the planning and design work for the improvements to the Crabapple Park and Pool complex associated with the \$115,000.00 CDBG grant that the Township was awarded. Voting: Mr. Kerber, Mr. Merdian, Mr. Fossi; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Joe Kerber made a motion, seconded by Alan Fossi to direct the solicitor to prepare and advertise the documentation required by the Local Government Unity Debt Act to guaranty the financing of the Municipal Sewage Authority of the Township of Sewickley's "Village of Hutchinson Sanitary Sewer Project." The guaranty will be in the form of pledging the Township's taxing authority. Mr. Merdian would like to state that MSATS is now going to be expanding into the Village of Hutchinson. The project as it stands right now, about a month ago received funding approval from PennVest which is a state funding agency. This is a little over a 3 million dollar project. We are looking to get 70% of the funding via loan and 30% in grants. The project is going out for bid within the next several days. The reason for this motion here tonight is assuming that the bids came in good and the project is going to move forward, the township needs to act as a guarantor of the loan. Voting: Mr. Kerber, Mr. Merdian, Mr. Fossi; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Joe Kerber made a motion, seconded by Alan Fossi to approve Resolution No. 20-2017 declaring the Township's intent to amend the zoning code to address the zoning of medical marijuana establishments and to hold public hearings. Voting: Mr. Kerber, Mr. Merdian, Mr. Fossi; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Joe Kerber made a motion, seconded by Alan Fossi to adopt Ordinance No. 2-2017 entering Sewickley Township into an Intergovernmental agreement with Penn Dot. This will allow electronic access to Engineering and Construction Management Systems for the purpose of submitting documents necessary to design and construct transportation projects. Voting: Mr. Kerber, Mr. Merdian, Mr. Fossi; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Joe Kerber made a motion, seconded by Alan Fossi to advertise for public auction the sale of lots 216, 217, and 218 of The Herminie Land Company Plan, having tax map number 58-07-15-0-060, said public auction to occur at the Board of Supervisors monthly meeting on Wednesday April 19, 2017. Voting: Mr. Kerber, Mr. Merdian, Mr. Fossi; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Brian Merdian made a motion, seconded by Alan Fossi to authorize Jim Harvey and Kathy Kerber to attend a Zoning Seminar at the annual State Convention of Township Supervisors in Hershey on April 23, 2017. The total cost for both to attend will be \$250.00 plus mileage. Voting: Mr. Kerber, abstained; Mr. Merdian, Mr. Fossi; yes. Motion carried.



Joe Kerber made a motion, seconded by Alan Fossi to purchase and install three pet waste stations at Crabapple Park in the amount of \$577.40. Voting: Mr. Kerber, Mr. Merdian, Mr. Fossi; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Joe Kerber made a motion, seconded by Alan Fossi to approve Kailie Janiro to hold the Annual Bill Janiro Memorial Fishing Derby at Crabapple Lake on Saturday, June 17, 2017. Mr. Merdian asked are we on the same page with thinking that the current insurance policy of the township will provide umbrella coverage while this event is conducted. Mr. Fossi stated he spoke to the insurance agent this morning and yes we are covered. Mrs. Dull asked if we haven't changed insurance companies since the Business Association started to do this, why are we all of a sudden covered. Mrs. Dull stated that Alan forbid us to do this before. Mr. Fossi stated that he has not. He asked have you ever had to buy insurance when you did the fishing derby. Mrs. Dull stated no because we had to go through the Recreation to do so. Mr. Fossi stated OK then, so you never had to purchase insurance. Mr. Merdian at this time called for a motion. Voting: Mr. Kerber, Mr. Merdian, Mr. Fossi; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Joe Kerber made a motion, seconded by Alan Fossi to ratify Janet Schork to work over her allotted hours on the payroll dates of March 10<sup>th</sup> and March 17, 2017. Voting: Mr. Kerber, Mr. Merdian, 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 8466 to 8477 - \$ 8,568.44 (2/17/17)
	Checks 8478 to 8493 - \$ 27,932.86 (2/24/17)
	Checks 8494 to 8504 - \$ 1,773.69 (3/3/17)
	Check 8505 - \$ 1,160.00 (3/7/17)
	Checks 8506 to 8527 - \$ 25,456.18 (3/10/17)
	ACH Payments: First Energy \$ 35.99 (2/27/17)
	First Energy \$ 603.86 (2/28/17)
	First Energy \$ 57.96 (3/1/17)
	Columbia Gas \$ 225.79 (3/6/17)
Light Districts:	ACH Payment - \$3,196.98 (3/6/17)
Crabapple:	Check 4424 - \$ 35.43 (2/16/17)
	Checks 4425 to 4427 - \$ 594.67 (3/3/17)
Payroll Invoices:	Check 4817 - \$ 32.40 (2/16/17)
	Checks 4820 to 4821 - \$ 2,359.49 (2/24/17)
	Checks 4823 to 4824 - \$ 113.76 (3/3/17)
	Checks 4827 to 4828 - \$ 375.77 (3/10/17)

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

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

Employees Payroll:	2/24/17 - \$ 9,974.65
	3/3/17 - \$ 9,616.53
	3/10/17 - \$ 9,713.23
	3/17/17 - \$ 13,286.00

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

#### **New / Old Business**

Mr. Merdian would like to state that our Household Hazardous Waste Collection was approved by the DEP and you can now reach out to Waste Management if you have things such as TV's, paint, batteries ect. and they can send out a special curb pickup to dispose of these items.

The Sewickley Township Municipal Building will be closed on Good Friday, April 14, 2017.

Mrs. Kerber asked about the GDBG grant money that was awarded for Crabapple Pool and Park. Mr. Merdian stated that this was awarded to us for the purpose of bringing the entire complex up to handicap accessible compliance. In order to go after more grant money available, we would need to make sure all the facilities are handicap accessible.

With no further business to come before the Board, Joe Kerber made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Alan Fossi. Voting: Mr. Kerber, Mr. Merdian, Mr. Fossi; yes. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 7:28pm.

Erika Horvat  
Secretary-Treasurer

March 15, 2017

To the Board of Supervisors,

I wanted to make a statement to you tonight and wanted it on the record. First off, I am not in any litigation with the Township. The culmination of events that I will be talking about may seem a bit unbelievable but it happened to my family living here in Sewickley Township.

The majority of the Supervisors that sit here tonight had nothing to do with these events. The prior majority of the Supervisors did however support the cause that created the situation I have found myself in since October of 2012.

- October 17, 2012 I attended a special meeting about a zoning change for a parcel owned by John Turik and another parcel owned by the township. I along with my neighbors received a letter about attending if we had questions or concerns. We did ask questions and had many concerns. **With no answers to any of them.**
- Following the October 17, 2012 special meeting was the regular monthly township meeting where Wanda Layman and Alan Fossi voted to change the zoning from V-1 to community commercial Joe Kerber voting, No. **The Township had no plans for commercial use. Mr. Turik did.**
- **On October 24, 2012 @ 5:00pm is when my family's hell began.** Mr. Turik showed up and my house threatening to have my cars towed and having my family arrested and my 66 year old neighbor if we walked or parked on the Township throughway. Joe Kerber and Alan Fossi showed up after I called them and the Supervisors told Mr. Turik he could not do that after they spoke with Dan Hewitt the former Township Solicitor. We were not sure why he was doing this? Maybe because we asked questions at the special meeting? This is a Throughway that my family has used for 17 years and the general public uses for parking, walking, and driving.
- November 13, 2012 after careful thought my husband and I appealed the Supervisors zoning change because we did not think it was the right thing to do right in the middle of a residential area. We did this on **OUR OWN** with no prompting from anyone. This is what we needed to do for our family
- November of 2012. Besides Mr. Turik's constant driving around my house every day and sitting in front of my house for no apparent reason other than to harass my family he stops and tells my husband to move his car or he is going to be arrested. My husband tells him to leave but he refuses and continues to argue with my husband. My son who was 12 at the time calls me at the grocery store to tell me to come home quick. My husband calls the state police. Trooper Zona showed up talked to me and my husband about the recent problems and then drove to Mr. Turiks house and told him to stay away from us. Even though he was told to stay away he continued this behavior.
- Christmas Eve 2012, 10:00am. My husband was out walking our dog and Mr. Turik approached my husband in an aggressive manner at the Library parking lot and was trying to get in a physical altercation with my husband by calling me derogatory names and chest bumping my husband.

We called the police and Trooper Nemes responded. Again the State Police told John Turik to stay away from us and leave our family alone. He did not stop his harassment.

- January 16, 2013 we received a letter from the former Ordinance Officer Dean Zimmerman about parking in the alley in front of our house that the Township knew we had permission to do. **THIS WAS NO COINCIDENCE.** We received the letter after we amended our appeal to the zoning change when we realized the Township did not advertise the public notice correctly. This was documented in the Tribune Review dated January 17, 2013. **This was another form of retaliation for the zoning issue by the township.**
- As the litigation continued through the next year the same behavior repeated itself with Mr. Turik driving around my house my work and sitting in front of our house for no apparent reason. I made several calls to the Township Coordinator to assist me in our efforts. It fell on deaf ears as they created this problem and did not have any intention of looking into anything for the Hampshire's.
- On August 19, 2013 7:00am my husband left for work and approached his vehicle to open the door and Mr. Turik drove his Turik Electric Van right up to my husband's vehicle so close that he could not open the door to get in. Mr. Turik once again said "you're trespassing". We had had enough! Later that week my husband and I went to the DA to press charges for harassment and stalking. The charges were approved by the District Attorney's Office.
- November of 2013 my husband and I went to District Justice Christner for the harassment hearing. After presenting witnesses dates, times, and pictures the judge questioned Mr. Turik he admitted he was angry over the zoning appeal. Mr. Turik was found guilty of harassing our family and was told to stay away from us. Two of our current Supervisors along with some residents and Troopers Zona and Nemes were subpoenaed to testify as well. The case was continued for 6 months till April 2014 at which time the charges were dropped. John Turik in those 6 months continued his bad behavior with **NO CONSEQUENCES.**
- May 21, 2014 at the very next Township meeting following the harassment hearing Alan Fossi and Wanda Layman appointed John Turik to the Sewickley Township Sewage Authority, **who I work for.** There had been no request from the Authority for more members the Sewage Board requested to take its members from 9 to 7. **This was another form of harassment from the Township to me.**
- September 2014 The Herminie VFC installed a new fire siren close to my house and the telephone pole for the siren was donated surprisingly by Mr. Turik. I attended the March 2014 Township meeting and asked why it was being moved closer to our homes and where else did they look to place it? I received no answers on other locations and on the decibel levels. ( by the way its 118.5 decibels) It did not matter what questions I asked they were going to put it where they wanted regardless of who it affected negatively. **This was another form of retaliation by the Township and Mr. Turik.**
- February 27, 2017 I received a certified letter from Christopher Skatell, John Turiks attorney telling me that my family will be charged with trespassing and our cars towed because we are parked on his property. We are not parked illegally we are parked on the Township ROW that we have parked for 17 years. **Again retaliation because of a zoning decision from February 22**

**2017.** My attorney sent Mr. Skatell a letter telling him that if our cars are towed we will be charging Mr. Turik with theft.

- February 27, 2017 10:00pm. Mr. Turik called the State Police on us. We were already in bed when Trooper Cync knocked on the door at 10:00pm and told us that Mr. Turik called him about the parking. Trooper Cync said he will not charge us for anything that we are parked legally and that John Turik mentioned to him that he was mad and said "those people stopped me from putting a store up here". **Retaliation.**
- March 13, 2017. I come home from work and there is a no trespassing sign on the apple tree facing the ROW saying "no trespassing, unauthorized vehicles will be towed at the owner's expense" John Turik placed the sign.
- **Everyone must know that before October of 2012 neither Mr. Turik nor anyone from the Township ever harassed, sent us letters, and penalized us.**

No one should have to live like this. For 4years and 5 months my family has lived in fear of this man and the former majority administration. I work in this Township and sit on several boards. I and my husband volunteer our time to make our community a better place. We exercised our right as citizens to appeal a Township decision. This was not personal toward anyone. I didn't know these people..... But I certainly do now. We don't sit in front of his house and drive around his neighborhood.

Every time Mr. Turik gets upset about something not going his way he retaliates on my family. This is not a neighbor issue. Mr. Turik does not live next to me. This is one resident that has gotten what he wants from his friends who happen to be Supervisors. I want this to stop. I want to live in peace. Mr. Turik should not be allowed to dictate who drives, walks, or parks on a Township Throughway. The Township maintains this throughway and has for over 60 years.

I brought this to the Township to be on record because this is where it got started. Wanda Layman & Alan Fossi created this in 2012 and the nuisance was brought to my family. I wanted to public to be aware.