

Chairperson Wanda Layman on Wednesday, September 19, 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 Bob Lasser, Helen Kvarta, John Kvarta, Carly Johnson, Marianne Errett, Sharon Cerne, Alan Samulski, Micki Patterson, Kathy Kerber, Ann McWilliams, Jack McWilliams, Stacey Federoff, Steve Solomon, Rick Takacs, Janet Schork, Dean Zimmerman, Paula Alcott, and Susan Leukhardt.

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

**Executive Sessions were held on Tuesday, September 4, 2012 at 7:00pm, Tuesday, September 11, 2012 at 5:00pm, and also Wednesday, September 19, 2012 at 6:30pm to discuss personnel issues.**

#### **Report from Road Master, Joe Kerber**

This past month, the crew has finished the paving project on Rillton-Guffey Road. We also finished a block section of Pine Street in Rillton. We are prepping Willow Street and Highberger for paving. Willow Street will be funded by the Sewage Authority. We repaired curbing on Pickett, Kubic, and Reed Streets. The crews were patching potholes for two days. The Township has finished the stormwater discharge plan with Gibson-Thomas Engineering. Volk Road repair is underway. We have found funding is about 70% complete. He is recommending to the Supervisors that we contact Gibson-Thomas Engineering to do a study of weight limits on our roads for the gas wells.

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

The Yough Youth Fall Baseball Program has 65 signed up. We've had a lot of good feedback about the program. Thank you to the Recreation Board, Susan Leukhardt, and Christie Royer for their help in the concession stand. Also, we need to give a huge thank you to Rita and Mike Aujay who have put a tremendous amount of time and effort to make this program work. The Back to School Movie Splash Party was attended by 50 people. We would've had more, but the weather was extremely cold. The Recreation Center will be opening October 15<sup>th</sup> and will run through May 18<sup>th</sup>. Contracts have been sent out and are starting to come in. Regarding the new Bruno Field sign, the electrical conduit will be laid tomorrow and installation will be the end of September, beginning of October. It has been decided that the old sign will be placed within the football field fenced area. Crabapple Pool is now closed for the season. It was a very successful year. The weather was fantastic. Past memberships and attendance was up this year. The moonlight swims with entertainment on Wednesday nights were a huge success. We may expand that to include additional days next year. Thank you to everyone that took part in making this a fun, successful season. Sewickley Township Community Safety Day is scheduled for Saturday, September 29<sup>th</sup> at Bruno Field from 11:00am to 5:00pm. She listed a list of events scheduled for the day.

#### **Report from Ordinance Officer, Dean Zimmerman**

The last month has been fairly routine and quiet. We did have two instances of roofing contractors dumping materials on Sewickley Township roads. One load was dumped in the middle of the lesser travelled portion of Oggs Lane and the other on Rodebaugh Road near the well site. Unfortunately, there is no way to know who it was as we have no witnesses. The Township Road Crew had to clean up the materials which, in turn, cost you folks, the tax payers, money which could be put to better use elsewhere. If anyone sees dumping going on, and you are able to safely get the identity of the dumpers and are willing to testify in Court, get Mr. Zimmerman that information and he will be happy to file the criminal complaint. He had no Court activity this last month. He still has two summary trials scheduled for October 10<sup>th</sup> and two cases waiting to be scheduled. Additionally, he has a couple more that need to be filed and he hopes to get that done within the next week. To the best of his knowledge, the arrest warrants issued in the four other cases remain outstanding.

Finally tonight, he is happy to announce that we had our first RACW demolition completed this week. Some of you probably saw the picture in last Thursday's edition of the Tribune Review of the work in progress. He will have some additional photos on the table for you to review after the meeting showing the before, during, and after images of the project. We still have one more demolition approved for this year and are waiting to see which of the properties we have on the waiting list will be selected.

### Public Comment

Carly Johnson spoke of Grace Lane. She began by explaining where it is located and the history of the road. She is asking for it to be repaired. The residents that live back there will have damage to their vehicles from the condition of the road. Mr. Kerber stated that we are aware of the problem. It's just a matter of getting down there to get it done. He doesn't believe it will be this year.

Helen Kvarta understands the Township sold the mineral rights under Crabapple Park. Are there any plans as to what will be done with that money? Mrs. Layman explained that the property has been leased under a no drill lease. We did get paid for the lease. If they would go under, then we will be entitled to a royalty. The money has not been spent yet and it hasn't been discussed as to how it will be spent.

Alan Samulski thanked Mrs. Layman for how she runs the meetings. She always asks for questions or comments. He then thanked and commended Mr. Kerber for getting a lot of work done. He is getting things done while also putting out fires from all the sewage stuff. Mr. Samulski then asked what is the status of adding members to the Sewage Authority. Mrs. Layman stated that it has been advertised and they are talking with the Sewage Authority asking for recommendations. We have received some letters of interest. Mr. Samulski then asked if the Supervisors can or will bring in the DEP to test the waters in Sewickley Creek since the sewage project has begun. He spoke about this with the Sewage Authority the night before and they said they aren't going to do anything like that. Mrs. Layman stated that they would have to think about it. Mr. Kerber stated that they should approach the Township Engineer about it first.

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

Howell Rescue Systems, Inc.	glass removal tool	\$ 146.40
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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:

TRN Communications LLC.	station in-house alarm	\$ 942.00
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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 approve proposed Ordinance No. 2012-5 to establish legal fees, costs, and interest to be imposed on municipal claims. This matter has been advertised in the newspaper of September 6, 2012, and copies of the draft and copies of the draft Ordinance have been available at the Westmoreland County Law Library and with the local newspaper. Voting: Mrs. Layman, Mr. Kerber, Mr. Fossi; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Joe Kerber made a motion, seconded by Alan Fossi, to set a hearing on the applications filed for rezoning of Tax Map Parcels 58-07-11-0-273 (Turik) and 58-07-11-0-265 (Sewickley Township) to be rezoned from V-1 to C-C. The Planning Commission has recommended approval of the Turik request and denial of the Township request. Hearing is to be held on Wednesday, October 17, 2012 at 6:30 pm in advance of the next regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors. Voting: Mrs. Layman, Mr. Kerber, Mr. Fossi; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Joe Kerber made a motion, seconded by Alan Fossi, to approve the Holt Plan located on Pinewood Road. This divides an existing parcel consisting of 24.395 acres and divide it into two equal sized parcels each totaling 12.1976 acres. 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 the Vanyo Plan #7. This sub-division also includes a stand-alone right of way easement on an adjacent property currently owned by Eileen Vanyo. This right of way allows the existing Lot #8, as well as the newly created Lot #9, to have access to the main line sewer of MSATS. With the creation of Lot #9, it becomes a parcel totaling 1.4 acres to be sold to Mr. Graydon Hoffman. This will then leave a residual tract of 5.12 acres still in the ownership of Mrs. Vanyo. This plan has been approved by the Planning Commission. Voting: Mrs. Layman, Mr. Kerber, Mr. Fossi; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Act 205 of 1984, as amended, governs the funding requirements for all municipal pension plans. The law requires the Chief Administrative Officer of each municipal pension plan to inform the "governing body" of the municipality of the plan's expected financial obligation for the coming year. This must be done by the last business day in September. This information, provided under the guidance of the Pennsylvania Municipal Retirement System, the Plan's administrator, is intended to satisfy the legal requirements of Act 205. The calculation of the 2012 plan cost, or the Minimum Municipal Obligation, requires an estimate of the 2011 W-2 wages of the employees covered by the plan. As the Chief Administrative Officer of the non-uniformed pension plan, I, Wanda Layman, will submit the budget to the Board of Supervisors outlining the financial requirements of the pension plan and the minimum municipal obligation of the Township for the coming year. The Minimum Municipal Obligation is the municipality's 2012 bill for the pension plan that must be paid by December 31, 2012. The obligation must be met with general fund monies or with any General State Aid to Municipal Pensions to which we may be entitled under Act 205.

Joe Kerber made a motion, seconded by Alan Fossi, to accept the minimum municipal obligation for the non-uniformed pension plan of \$0 and incorporate the amount into the 2012 General Fund budget as the State Aid Pension Payment and the Township payment to the Pennsylvania Municipal Retirement System when received by the Office Manager. Voting: Mrs. Layman, Mr. Kerber, Mr. Fossi; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Joe Kerber made a motion, seconded by Alan Fossi, to advertise in The Times-Sun for Budget Workshops to be held at 7:00pm on the following dates:

Wednesday, October 10, 2012  
Friday, October 12, 2012  
Tuesday, October 23, 2012  
Friday, October 26, 2012  
Tuesday, October 30, 2012  
Thursday, November 1, 2012  
Wednesday, November 7, 2012  
Friday, November 9, 2012

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

Joe Kerber made a motion, seconded by Alan Fossi, to ratify the following rental rates for the 2012-2013 season at the Sewickley Township Recreation Center. The season will run from October 15, 2012 to May 18, 2013. These rates are recommended by the Recreation Board with no increase from the previous year.

Sewickley Township Residents / Teams:	\$ 20.00 per hour
Non-Residents / Teams:	\$ 40.00 per hour
paid in full by September 22 <sup>nd</sup> -	\$ 35.00 per hour
Parties / Events:	\$ 30.00 per hour

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

Joe Kerber made a motion, seconded by Alan Fossi, to designate smoking areas within the Sewickley Athletic Complex which includes the John C. Bruno Memorial Field and the Sewickley Baseball Fields. Voting: Mrs. Layman, Mr. Kerber, Mr. Fossi; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Joe Kerber made a motion, seconded by Alan Fossi, to no longer allow pets within the Sewickley Athletic Complex which includes the John C. Bruno Memorial Field and the Sewickley Baseball Fields. Voting: Mrs. Layman, Mr. Kerber, Mr. Fossi; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Joe Kerber made a motion, seconded by Alan Fossi, to adopt Resolution 30-2012 appointing Jeffry Pytlak to the Sewickley Township Recreation Board. This position is fulfilling Jon Turik's term which shall expire the first Monday of January, 2016. Voting: Mrs. Layman, Mr. Kerber, Mr. Fossi; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Joe Kerber made a motion, seconded by Alan Fossi, to pay Clint Strosko, Township Maintenance employee, time and a half for all hours worked over 40 hours per week during his employment with Sewickley Township. Voting: Mrs. Layman, Mr. Kerber, Mr. Fossi; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Joe Kerber made a motion, seconded by Alan Fossi, to accept the Halloween Activities as follows:

Saturday, October 27, 2012

12:30pm – parade line up at VFW

1:00pm – parade begins at VFW and ends at the Herminie Firehall for judging, treats, and prizes

3:00pm to 6:00pm – Trick or Treating

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 4730 to 4771 - \$ 36,396.42 (8/21/12)
	Checks 4772 to 4808 - \$ 39,479.14 (9/10/12)
	Checks 4809 to 4814 - \$ 8,323.42 (9/12/12)
	Checks 4815 to 4816 - \$ 81.70 (9/12/12)
	Drafts 150061 to 150062 - \$ 680.25 (9/13/12)
	Drafts 4817 to 4831 - \$ 14,779.09 (9/19/12)
Crabapple:	Checks 3892 to 3909 - \$ 5,378.02 (8/21/12)
	Checks 3910 to 3919 - \$ 1,836.61 (9/12/12)
	Draft 37 - \$ 731.76 (9/13/12)
	Check 3920 - \$ 444.18 (9/19/12)

Highway Aid: Checks 410 to 411 - \$ 4,656.72 (8/21/12)  
Check 412 - \$ 30,711.67 (9/6/12)  
Check 413 - \$ 29,966.57 (9/12/12)  
Check 414 - \$ 20,635.56 (9/19/12)

Light Districts: Draft 85 - \$ 2,389.03 (9/13/12)  
Draft 86 - \$ 430.35 (9/13/12)  
Draft 87 - \$ 484.48 (9/13/12)  
Draft 88 - \$ 188.41 (9/13/12)

Payroll Invoices: Checks 2735 to 2739 - \$ 736.32 (8/21/12)  
Draft 90141 - \$ 704.52 (8/21/12)  
Draft 90142 - \$ 12,515.15 (9/6/12)  
Checks 2781 to 2782 - \$ 2,166.63 (9/10/12)  
Checks 2786 to 2787 - \$ 328.09 (9/12/12)  
Draft 90143 - \$ 951.42 (9/14/12)  
Draft 90144 - \$ 652.06 (9/14/12)  
Checks 2790 to 2791 - \$ 365.06 (9/19/12)

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) 8/24/12 - \$ 7,938.64 – checks 2740 to 2741 , drafts 22894 to 22903  
(pool) 8/24/12 - \$ 2,918.45 – checks 2742 to 2755 , drafts 22904 to 22905  
(twp) 8/31/12 - \$ 8,834.61 – check 2756 , drafts 22906 to 22916  
(pool) 8/31/12 - \$ 2,944.50 – checks 2757 to 2769 , drafts 22917 to 22918  
(twp) 9/7/12 - \$ 8,816.32 – checks 2770 to 2771 , drafts 22919 to 22929  
(pool) 9/7/12 - \$ 1,165.26 – checks 2772 to 2780 , drafts 22930 to 22931  
(twp) 9/14/12 - \$ 11,326.27 – checks 2783 to 2785 , drafts 22932 to 22942  
(pool) 9/14/12 - \$ 1,663.46 – drafts 22943 to 22944  
(twp) 9/21/12 - \$ 11,519.21 – checks 2788 to 2789 , drafts 22945 to 22956

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

**New / Old Business**

Crabapple Park will be closing for the season on Monday, September 24, 2012.

Marianne Errett asked if there will be public walking at the Recreation Center when it opens. Mrs. Schork responded Monday through Saturday 7:00am to 9:00am.

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 7:25pm.

Susan D. Leukhardt  
Secretary-Treasurer