

Chairman Joe Kerber on Wednesday May 16, 2018 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 29, 2017. The members of the Board of Supervisors present were Joseph Kerber, Brian Merdian, and Mark Petros. Also attending the meeting were Terry Stafford, John Seanor, James Balog, Alan Fossi, Tom Lord, Patricia Volpe, Marianne Erret, Mike Volpe, Sandy Dull, Ann McWilliams, Jack McWilliams, Kristin Janzef, Judy Janzef, Linda Harvey, John Underwood, Connie Underwood, Jim Harvey, Margaret Sensue, Kathy Kerber, Attorney Kansler, Janet Schork, Debi Pils and Erika Horvat.

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

An Executive Session was held on April 30, 2018 at 8:00pm and May 16, 2018 at 6:00pm to discuss personnel matters.

Report from Roadmaster, Joe Kerber

We have been out repairing Apples Mill Road and Derr Road due to the major washouts from the heavy rains. I had the crew out for four days patching. We finished rolling the ball fields. We have been working at the park for six days repairing the driveway and cutting down trees. We have been helping to get the pool ready for the new liner. Replaced a storm pipe and catch box on Church Street. There is still another one to do on Church Street and we will get it when we have time. Replaced a storm pipe on Wilps Drive. The culvert replacement project on McGrogan Road is finished. The road will open when the guide rail is installed. We had to do some repairs to the Honor Roll at the Lowber playground. A resident asked what the tonnage is on Tomatko road. Mr. Kerber stated it is 10 ton. The resident asked if we are going to repair the road. Mr. Kerber stated that we are now concentrating on the pool. We have allot of culvert repairs to do then we will move to there. We did get some money from the logging company for some of the damage. I would like to wait till they are out of there. A resident tasked about another company doing work there. Mr. Kerber stated that is the water authority and we do have an agreement with them.

Mr. Fossi asked for Mr. Kerber to list his previous month's mileage and overtime on his Roadmasters report. I think that would be good information for people to have. I would also like to know where we are at with the spray license. Mr. Kerber stated that the category part I had to retake and we are waiting on the results. The core part I did well on. I do have a spray license; I just need to see what the category results will be. I will not spray until we are clear on everything.

A resident asked when Pinewood Road will be fixed. Mr. Kerber stated it all depends on these heavy rains. I am hoping for mid to late July.

Report from Recreation Director, Janet Schork

- **Rabies Clinic**
Our annual Rabies Clinic was held on Saturday, May 12th at Crabapple Park. 82 animals were vaccinated.
Thank you to our volunteers: Alan Fossi, Tracy Hampshire, Patty Vanyo, and Carol Keller.
- **Restroom Renovations Update:**
 - The ADA restroom renovations at Crabapple Park & Pool and the baseball fields should be completed by the end of the month.
- **Open Gym:**
 - Our Free use of the gym ended on Wednesday, May 2nd. We had approximately 15 kids attend each week. Thank you to Mike and Ashley Sarver for volunteering to monitor the activity.
- **HW Good 4th graders**
 - Again this year, Lisa Mumau, Yough School Counselor and Big Help Coordinator, and the H.W. Good 4th graders will be performing a community service activity at Crabapple Park on Tuesday, May 22nd. The students will be planting flowers at the butterfly garden and pool entrance as well as collecting litter at the park and lake. I'm very excited to again partner with our school and students to showcase our beautiful gardens and park and to raise awareness at an early age of the importance of community service for their township.
- **Crabapple Pool:**
 - Installation of our new pool membrane moving along according to schedule.
 - Tentatively we expect to be open the beginning of June weather permitting.
 - We will be having a "Renovation Celebration" on either Sunday, June 24th or Sunday, July 15th
- **Candlelight Vigil Ceremony:**
 - The annual Candlelight Vigil Ceremony will be held on Thursday, May 24th at Crabapple Park at 7:30pm.

- **Crabapple Park**
 - Herminie Boy Scout Troop 259 has requested use of the large pavilion at Crabapple Park at no cost each Thursday evening from June 7, 2018 through September 6, 2018.
 - In lieu of payment for facility use, the Boy Scouts will be weeding, edging, mulching all of the flower beds at the park on Tuesday, May 22nd.
- **Fishing Derby:**
 - Kayley Janiro and her group of volunteers will be hosting the 2nd annual Bill Janiro Fishing Derby at Crabapple Lake on Saturday, June 16th from 7:30am-11:30am. No registration is required.

Mark Petros made a motion, seconded by Brian Merdian to approve the minutes of the Sewickley Township Board of Supervisors Regular Meetings held on March 21st and April 18, 2018. Voting: Mr. Merdian, Mr. Petros, Mr. Kerber; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Mark Petros made a motion, seconded by Brian Merdian to approve the minutes of the Sewickley Township Board of Supervisors Special Meeting held on April 30, 2018. Voting: Mr. Merdian, Mr. Petros, Mr. Kerber; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Comment

Terry Stafford had a concern with the property at 523 Church Street Mr. Kerber stated that we did get the catch basin fixed. There is another pipe there and we are trying to figure out where it comes from. Mr. Kerber asked Mr. Stafford if he knew if the pipe still carries water. Mr. Stafford said if it rains heavy enough. Mr. Kerber stated it is on the list to get fixed. Mr. Stafford stated that he cannot rent the place out like this. It's been three years now. The right side of the road needs stone also, it's washed out bad. Mr. Stafford asked why PennDot is out there. Mr. Kerber stated that they are going to fix the bridge next year.

John Seanor asked about Tomatko Road. He wanted to know if we are going to put weight limit signs up. Mr. Kerber stated that we are. Mr. Seanor wanted to know how we can go about getting a street light. Mr. Merdian stated that we are looking into. We will be dealing with it very soon.

Greg Hazuza expressed his concern with Pinewood Road. This road has not had any attention for many years. I understand there is drainage and shoulder work that needs done. If you do a little at a time it will get done.

Patty Volpe had a concern with the area in Herminie where the main street is, the intersection at Sewickley Ave. It is so bad. I know it is a state road, but can we make a call to the state and county to get these roads fixed. Mr. Kerber stated that he has called regarding this situation, the road near the Old Catholic Church and Lowber Road. I also contacted our PennDot representative Rick Skovensky.

Sandy Dull asked to be updated on the fire whistle. Mr. Kerber stated that we have to get an agreement with Herminie VFD to set the whistle off for the entire cycle. We know that we might get a hard time from them so we want to have a backup plan. Mrs. Dull stated that from her understanding it is the same whistle as Rillton VFD. Mrs. Dull stated it has been three years now. Mr. Kerber said we have been talking about this. Mrs. Dull stated that she would like for someone to stand in her yard when the whistle goes off.

Linda Harvey expressed her concerns regarding the Ordinance for the smoke detectors and Carbon Monoxide detectors. There wasn't much discussed about these. It was advertised in the paper and was very clear what was going to be done. At the meeting though, there was not any discussion about the Ordinance. Tonight is the meeting that everyone is to come and hear what is going on. Attorney Kansler stated it is on the agenda to be approved. Mrs. Harvey stated that it turns out this Ordinance is much more involved than what has been discussed. The second item on the agenda that I would like to express my concerns over is the motion to advertise a special meeting to discuss a property maintenance code. There was no discussion here and no information was given on this. It was advertised in the paper April 28th and the meeting was scheduled for April 30th. I came to that meeting and there was a lot of information in that meeting. Janet gives her report and Joe gives his report, but nothing is ever discussed by the Township Supervisors. The very next day on Facebook there was in detail what is going on in the Township. I am appalled that I have to go to Facebook to see what is going on in the Township. There were some people making comments on Facebook and if you don't like what is going on then you are shut down. Mr. Merdian stated that you are allowed to ask questions about anything that is on the agenda, have you ever been denied the right to ask a question. Mrs. Harvey stated that we should not be looking to get information on Facebook where we can't ask questions.

Brian Merdian made a motion, seconded by Mark Petros to disburse 2017 EMS Tax funds on behalf of Lowber Volunteer Fire Company as follows:

S & T Bank – mortgage payment \$ 602.25

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

Mark Petros made a motion, seconded by Brian Merdian to disburse 2017 EMS Tax funds on behalf of Herminie Volunteer Fire Company as follows:

ABCO Fire Protection – inspection on truck \$ 176.97

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

Brian Merdian made a motion, seconded by Mark Petros to disburse 2017 EMS Tax funds on behalf of Rillton Volunteer Fire Company as follows:

S & T Bank – payoff loan for 1975 firetruck \$9,866.25

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

Brian Merdian made a motion, seconded by Mark Petros to disburse 2017 EMS Tax funds on behalf of Sewickley Township Emergency Management as follows:

Bear Com – monthly maintenance on portable radios - \$ 92.00

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

Mark Petros made a motion, seconded by Brian Merdian to authorize the renewal of the Township vision insurance through Highmark. There is a no increase for this coverage. Voting: Mr. Merdian, Mr. Petros, Mr. Kerber; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Brian Merdian made a motion, seconded by Mark Petros to authorize the renewal of the Township dental insurance through United Concordia. There is no increase for this coverage. Voting: Mr. Merdian, Mr. Petros, Mr. Kerber; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Brian Merdian made a motion, seconded by Mark Petros to consent to the request from the Westmoreland County Tax Claim Bureau for the potential sale of Tax Map Parcel No. 58-07-00-0-172 from the Unsold Property Repository. The location of this property is 671 Greenhills Road, Irwin. Voting: Mr. Merdian, Mr. Petros, Mr. Kerber; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Brian Merdian made a motion, seconded by Mark Petros to adopt Ordinance No. 2-2018 providing standards for smoke detector and carbon monoxide detectors. Voting: Mr. Merdian, Mr. Petros, Mr. Kerber; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Brian Merdian made a motion, seconded by Mark Petros to adopt Ordinance No. 3-2018 imposing restrictions as to the weight of vehicles operated on McGrogan Road (T-921). Voting: Mr. Merdian, Mr. Petros, Mr. Kerber; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Brian Merdian made a motion, seconded by Mark Petros to adopt Ordinance No. 4-2018 imposing restrictions as to the weight of vehicles operated on Waltz Mill Flats Road (T-565). Voting: Mr. Merdian, Mr. Petros, Mr. Kerber; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Mark Petros made a motion, seconded by Brian Merdian to adopt Ordinance No. 5-2018 imposing restrictions as to the weight of vehicles operated on Tomajko Road (T-529). Voting: Mr. Merdian, Mr. Petros, Mr. Kerber; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Brian Merdian made a motion, seconded by Mark Petros to authorize the solicitor to prepare and advertise an ordinance regarding Timber Harvesting and Logging within the Township. Voting: Mr. Merdian, Mr. Petros, Mr. Kerber; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Brian Merdian made a motion, seconded by Mark Petros to adopt Resolution No. 18-2018 designating Gibson-Thomas Engineering Company, Inc. as the consulting engineering firm for Sewickley Township to provide Bridge Inspection Services for five (5) years. Voting: Mr. Merdian, Mr. Petros, Mr. Kerber; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Telephonic price quotations for Type 2-S Guide Rail were taken and documented as follows:

Ward Building & Highway Specialties - \$ 6,487.00
Green Acres Contracting - \$ 7,930.00
Penn Line Supplies – No Bid

Brian Merdian made a motion, seconded by Mark Petros to award the above said proposals to Ward Building & Highway Specialties. Mr. Kerber stated that this is for the McGrogen Road project. Voting: Mr. Merdian, Mr. Petros, Mr. Kerber; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Mark Petros made a motion, seconded by Brian Merdian to ratify the hiring of Ronald Harash as a Road Crew Equipment Operator at the rate of \$18.92 per hour for a 90-day probationary term. Voting: Mr. Merdian, Mr. Petros, Mr. Kerber; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Brian Merdian made a motion, seconded by Mark Petros to ratify Janet Schork to work over her allotted hours on the payroll dates of May 4th and 18, 2018. Voting: Mr. Merdian, Mr. Petros, Mr. Kerber; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Mark Petros made a motion, seconded by Brian Merdian to ratify Roger Anthony to work over his allotted hours on the payroll dates of May 4th, 11th, and 18th 2018. Voting: Mr. Merdian, Mr. Petros, Mr. Kerber; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Brian Merdian made a motion, seconded by Mark Petros to adopt Resolution No. 19-2018 approving the application for a Water Quality Improvement Grant through the DCED and the DEP to be used for the Crabapple Park Lake Dredging and Water Quality Improvement Project. Mrs. Dull asked when we are going to do this. The Board stated that this is just to get the application started. We do have all the permits. Mrs. Dull asked what we are going to do with the silt. Mr. Kerber stated that we have an agreement with Grandview Nursery. They are going to take it and use it. Mrs. Dull asked if they are going to take it for free. Mr. Kerber stated yes, but this is something we can look into. Voting: Mr. Merdian, Mr. Petros, Mr. Kerber; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Mark Petros made a motion, seconded by Brian Merdian to approve Kailie Janiro to hold the Annual Bill Janiro Memorial Fishing Derby at Crabapple Lake on Saturday, June 16, 2018. Voting: Mr. Merdian, Mr. Petros, Mr. Kerber; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Brian Merdian made a motion, seconded by Mark Petros to authorize Herminie Boy Scout Troop 259 use of the Large Pavilion at Crabapple Park at no cost each Thursday evening from June 7, 2018 through September 6, 2018. In lieu of payment for facility use, the Boy Scouts will be assisting Park Maintenance and perform Lake and Park cleanup on May 22, 2018. Voting: Mr. Merdian, Mr. Petros, Mr. Kerber; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Mark Petros made a motion, seconded by Brian Merdian to authorize the use of the Large Pavilion at Crabapple Park on Thursday, May 24, 2018 for the annual Candlelight Vigil from 7:30pm to dusk and to waive any fees that may be involved. Voting: Mr. Merdian, Mr. Petros, Mr. Kerber; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Brian Merdian made a motion, seconded by Mark Petros to authorize the H.W. Good Elementary fourth grade Big Help Club to perform a community service cleanup at Crabapple Park and Pool on May 22, 2018. Voting: Mr. Merdian, Mr. Petros, Mr. Kerber; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Mark Petros made a motion, seconded by Brian Merdian to offer the Crabapple Pool employee's families a 20% discount on their 2018 season pool passes and pavilion rentals. Mr. Fossi stated that it would be nice to extend this to all Township employees. The motion was made to offer the discount to Crabapple Pool employee's and to all Township employees families as well. Voting: Mr. Merdian, Mr. Petros, Mr. Kerber; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Brian Merdian made a motion, seconded by Mark Petros to ratify authorizing the Herminie Cub Scout Pack 258 use of the Large Pavilion at Crabapple Park at no cost on Saturday, May 22, from 2:00pm to 6:00pm for their annual Spring Recruitment Carnival. Voting: Mr. Merdian, Mr. Petros, Mr. Kerber; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Brian Merdian made a motion, seconded by Mark Petros to hire the following employees to work the 2018 season at Crabapple Pool at the rates listed below.

Pool Manager - \$ 12.25 per hour	Yvonne Shawl
Assistant Pool Manager - \$ 10.00 per hour	Alexander Schork Emily Spisak
LIFEGUARD	
Senior Lifeguard - \$ 8.50 per hour	Alexander Schork Emily Spisak
3rd Year Lifeguard - \$ 8.25 per hour	Emma Gates Megan Vanyo
2nd Year Lifeguard - \$ 8.00 per hour	Julia Dandar Rebecca Gebadlo Kayla Stanzak Robert Davis Chloe Davis
1 st Year Lifeguard - \$ 7.75 per hour	Cody Bojac

CONCESSION

3 rd Year Gate/Concession - \$7.85 per hour	Caroline Mignogna
2 nd Year Gate/Concession - \$ 7.60 per hour	Bradley Bosnel Jordan Loy
1st Year Gate/Concession - \$ 7.35 per hour	Daniel Shawl

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

Mark Petros made a motion, seconded by Brian Merdian to approve the following bills for payment.

General Fund:

Checks 9456 to 9470 - \$ 41,933.07 (4/18/18)	ACH Payments: First Energy - \$ 505.39 (4/27/18)
Checks 9471 to 9472 - \$ 400.00 (4/19/18)	Columbia Gas - \$ 181.59 (5/4/18)
Checks 9473 to 9486 - \$ 7,001.93 (4/27/18)	
Checks 9487 to 9497 - \$ 7,929.68 (5/3/18)	
Checks 9498 to 9512 - \$ 12,439.79 (5/9/18)	
Checks 9513 to 9517 - \$ 2,107.89 (5/10/18)	

Crabapple:

Checks 4541 to 4542 - \$ 732.99 (4/26/18)	ACH Payments: MSATS - \$ 58.95 (4/20/18)
Check 4543 to 4545 - \$ 236.70 (5/3/18)	First Energy - \$ 62.13 (4/26/18)
Check 4546 \$ 300.00 (5/10/18)	First Energy - \$ 44.82 (4/30/18)
Checks 4547 to 4549 - \$ 300.57 (5/10/18)	First Energy - \$ 736.97 (5/10/18)

Recreation:

Check 2763 - \$ 300.00 (5/9/18)	ACH Payments: MSATS - \$ 59.95 (4/20/18)
Check 2762 - \$ 268.92 (4/26/18)	First Energy - \$ 519.76 (4/26/18)
Checks 2760 to 2761 - \$ 225.30 (4/18/18)	First Energy - \$ 38.95 (4/27/18)
	Columbia Gas - \$ 232.49 (5/4/18)
	MAWC - \$ 170.04 (5/14/18)

Highway Aid: Check 479 - \$ 4,325.65 (4/19/18)

Payroll Invoices:

Check 5357 - \$ 11.28 (4/18/18)
Checks 5360 to 5361 - \$ 1,861.87 (4/26/18)
Checks 5364 to 5365 - \$ 92.64 (5/3/18)
Checks 5370 to 5371 - \$ 285.30 (5/9/18)

ACH Payments: Payroll Liabilities \$ 666.51 (4/18/18)
Payroll Liabilities \$ 2,250.54 (4/20/18)
Payroll Liabilities \$ 2,653.00 (4/27/18)
Payroll Liabilities \$ 589.42 (5/3/18)
Payroll Liabilities \$ 4,969.82 (5/4/18)
Payroll Liabilities \$ 3,929.56 (5/11/18)

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

Brian Merdian made a motion, seconded by Mark Petros to approve the following payrolls for payment.

Employees Payroll: 4/27/18 - \$ 11,054.03
5/4/18 - \$ 16,997.32
5/11/18 - \$ 15,392.98
5/18/18 - \$ 12,358.23

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

New / Old Business

Discussion on Township Building Improvements:

We would like to remove the vestibule, redo the drainage and fix the downspouts to get the water away from that corner so it doesn't wash out anymore. We need to get a new secure entrance to the building and this would help with the moisture and mildew that is present in the foyer.

Linda Harvey asked how we are to get information on number 16 of the agenda. Attorney Kansler stated that the meeting was advertised and the Ordinance is available for public inspection at the Law Library and here at the Township meeting, and we are advertising properly under state law. A resident suggested that we could advertise more on our website.

With no further business to come before the Board, Brian Merdian made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mark Petros. Voting: Mr. Merdian, Mr. Petros, Mr. Kerber; yes. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 7:45pm.

Erika Horvat
Secretary/Treasurer