

Chairman, Mark Petros, on Wednesday, March 17, 2021 at 7:00pm, called the Regular Meeting of the Sewickley Township Board of Supervisors to order as advertised in the Tribune Review on Monday, December 28, 2020. This meeting was held through Zoom. The members of the Board of Supervisors present were Mark Petros, Brian Merdian, and Linda Harvey. Also attending the meeting were Donn Henderson, Tom Mignogna, Janet Schork, Solicitor Mark Hamilton, and Susan Leukhardt.

Mark Petros led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Report from Township Manager / Treasurer, Donn Henderson

Account	Beginning Balance	Deposits / Interest	Transfers / Payments	Ending Balance
FEBRUARY, 2021				
FNB General Fund	\$ 32,612.71	\$ 90,454.86	\$ 99,345.90	\$ 23,721.67
PLGIT General Fund	\$ 63,317.52	\$ 114,138.73	\$ 60,000.00	\$ 120,368.61
FNB Reserve Account	\$ 106,545.65	\$ 18.89	\$ 44,996.99	\$ 61,567.55

Report from Public Works Director, Tom Mignogna – given by Brian Merdian

We continue to follow the guidelines for sanitizing and disinfecting the offices, restrooms, and shop daily. This month's Safety Toolbox and video was on Dump Truck Safety. We had 34 One Call requests to locate our storm water drains for other utilities and contractors. We are finally catching a break from the snow and are busy taking care of our equipment. We cleaned the ditches along a Rillton-Guffey Road and Bells Mill Road. The crew has been out regularly with cold patch on pothole detail. We took delivery of a triaxle load of cold patch just last week. While the crew is patching, they are checking signage and then they address those issues along with the call ins. There were six (6) stop signs knocked down this month that needed immediate attention (Chopp, Marley, General Braddock, 4th at Sewickley Avenue, Oggs, and Wolfe Lane). The power broom has been out the last two weeks sweeping the anti-skid from our roads. The Quaker Cemetery has had the trees trimmed and limbs and debris removed. It's ready to be mowed. The vac truck is being looked at by a company that can help us hopefully to get it back into service. The mowing tractor has gone through the shop. It is ready to go when needed. The bucket truck, that we have been using to do tree work, had the boom assembly go through its annual inspection today. We now have the road widener in the shop being worked on. We spent some time at Crabapple recently removing the broke and dangerous rock along the access road. We are also addressing the walking trail where it washed at the bridge crossing the water way and cut back some of the overgrowth along it. The guys also sealed off the openings around the top of the concessions area in the big pavilion. While there, they took some time to trim around the building and open up the clearing to the nature trail.

Report from Ordinance Officer, Mark Cypher – given by Donn Henderson

Anthony Costanza Property – Trash/Rubbish. Reviewed files from past action on property. Awaiting a determination of a course of action to remove trash/rubbish/scrap from property.

Ribich – 923 Curry Road – Trash/rubbish. Reviewed files from past. Visited property and spoke with Mr. Ribich. Mr. Ribich has removed two (2) vehicles from front yard along with some other scrap/rubbish. Instructed him that he needs to proceed with the cleanup of his property, starting in front and moving toward the rear. Mr. Ribich agree to this. Will continue to monitor.

Mullaerts Sales & Service – Junk Vehicles. Visited with Mr. Mullaert's. Mr. Mullaert agreed to no longer park junk vehicles on the lot adjacent to his primary business location (the old bar lot). Mr. Mullaert was going to work on removing the junk vehicles from this location. It would only be utilized as a drop off location for his business.

61 Whyel Road – Solid Waste. Received complaint regarding solid waste collection at this address. Loss bags are deposited for trash removal and animals have been getting into bags causing a rubbish issue. Violation notice sent to owner. Will continue to monitor.

603 Lowber Road. – Junk Vehicles. Received complaint regarding junk vehicles at this property. Spoke to owner. Will be removing them. Will continue to monitor.

33 Orchard Drive. – Animal Control. Received complaint regarding geese not contained to property. Sent violation notice to owner. Spoke with owner. Property has been resolved and will not happen again.

110 Limerick Road. – Junk Vehicles/etc. Received complaint regarding junk vehicles and other activities taking place at this property. Reaching out to owner to have issues resolved. Will continue to monitor.

2968 Clay Pike. – Line of Sight. Received complaint about line of sight visibility at this location. Spoke with owner. Issue will be resolved.

Report from Recreation Director, Janet Schork

Recreation Center:

- The fall/winter season will be winding down at the end of March as most of our sports groups begin outdoor practices. Our morning senior groups, fitness classes, and a few other evening/weekend groups remain through April.

Fitness Classes:

- Step classes are offered on Tuesdays and P90X classes on Thursday mornings. Both classes are from 9:30am to 10:30am.

Recreation Activities:

- Our Easter Bunny Drive-Thru is scheduled for March 27th from Noon to 1:30pm at Crabapple Park. The Easter Bunny will be greeting the kids with waves and our Recreation Committee Volunteers will be handing out treat bags to the children. The Sewickley Township Library will also be handing out a ready-to-make craft to each child. The event is FREE to all Yough Area Children from Infancy through age 12. Registration ends on Friday, March 19th.
- So far, we have 120 children registered.
- Register by calling my office at 724-835-1087 or via email to redirector@sewickleytownship.org.

Crabapple Pool:

- Crabapple Pool will be opening for the 2021 Season. We will be following CDC and PA Department of Health Guidelines for outdoor pool facilities.
- Current capacity is set at 50% or 225 occupants. This number includes the staff.
- We are hiring lifeguards, gate/snack workers, and park & pool maintenance. The Crabapple Pool Employment application is on our Township website under the “News and Announcements” heading.
- Salaries and Park and Pool pricing are on the agenda for the Board of Supervisors’ approval.

No Public Comment on Agenda Items

Linda Harvey made a motion, seconded by Brian Merdian, to approve the minutes of the Sewickley Township Board of Supervisors Regular Meeting held on February 17, 2021. Voting: Mr. Petros, Mr. Merdian, Mrs. Harvey; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Brian Merdian made a motion, seconded by Mark Petros, to adopt Resolution 16-2021 regarding Par Mar Oil Company liquor license transfer. Voting: Mr. Petros, Mr. Merdian, Mrs. Harvey; no. Motion did not pass.

Linda Harvey made a motion, seconded by Mark Petros, to disburse 2020 EMS Tax funds on behalf of Sewickley Township Emergency Management as follows:

Bearcom – monthly maintenance on portable radios	\$ 92.00
Comcast – monthly EOC phone & internet	\$ 258.73

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

Linda Harvey made a motion, seconded by Mark Petros, to disburse 2020 EMS Tax funds on behalf of Herminie Volunteer Fire Company as follows:

First National Bank – monthly payment for radios	\$ 363.63
Black Mountain Enterprises – inspection / repairs to '93 engine	\$ 1,572.33

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

Mark Petros made a motion, seconded by Brian Merdian, to disburse 2020 EMS Tax funds on behalf of Hutchinson Volunteer Fire Company as follows:

Motorola Solutions, Inc. – purchase of ten (10) portable radios	\$ 26,000.00
Harris Auto Repair – inspection / repairs to f550 attack truck	\$ 1,163.39

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

Linda Harvey made a motion, seconded by Brian Merdian, to disburse 2020 EMS Tax funds on behalf of Rillton Volunteer Fire Company as follows:

Smouse Trucks & Vans, Inc. – new bed for brush truck	\$ 2,234.00
Murray Auto Electric & Radio – led lighting on brush truck	\$ 1,207.70

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

Brian Merdian made a motion, seconded by Mark Petros, to authorize the Township Solicitor to prepare and advertise Ordinance 5-2021 related to Commercial Vehicle and R.V. Parking. Voting: Mr. Petros, Mr. Merdian, Mrs. Harvey; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Linda Harvey made a motion, seconded by Brian Merdian, to authorize Gibson-Thomas to submit an application for the Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program (RACP) Grant. Voting: Mr. Petros, Mr. Merdian, Mrs. Harvey; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Linda Harvey made a motion, seconded by Brian Merdian, to approve the Cosharek-Goodlin Lot Line Revision located on General Braddock Road in Rillton. This plan subdivides a .46 acre parcel from the Cosharek property and adds it to the Goodlin property as a rear lot addition. Both parties have existing residences and are served by public water, sewer, and gas. The new Cosharek Lot 1 contains 1.52 acres and the Goodlin Lot 2 has .96 acres. No new buildable lots are being created and the zoning is R-R. This plan was approved by the Planning Commission. Voting: Mr. Petros, Mr. Merdian, Mrs. Harvey; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Brian Merdian made a motion, seconded by Linda Harvey, to approve the Revers plan located on Hutchinson Road. This plan divides Lot 1 containing 12.3 acres from the residual 106.23 acres. The zoning is A-1. Lot 1 qualifies for a 10 acre sewage exemption as confirmed by SEO Mike Stack. The plan shows the proposed locations of both the residence and the on lot septic area. The property is served by public water and gas. This plan was approved by the Planning Commission. Voting: Mr. Petros, Mr. Merdian, Mrs. Harvey; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Linda Harvey made a motion, seconded by Brian Merdian, to send letter of support for the Youghiogheny River Conservation Plan Part II Update to the Mountain Watershed Association. Voting: Mr. Petros, Mr. Merdian, Mrs. Harvey; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Linda Harvey made a motion, seconded by Mark Petros, to hire Bryan Cosalter as an Equipment Operator at the rate of \$19.88 per hour for a 90-day probationary term. Voting: Mr. Petros, yes; Mr. Merdian, abstain; Mrs. Harvey, yes. Motion passed.

Brian Merdian made a motion, seconded by Linda Harvey, to approve the following salaries for the 2021 Crabapple Pool season.

POOL MANAGER \$15.25 **salary only for May through August

ASSISTANT POOL MANAGER

1st year \$ 11.00
 2nd year \$ 11.50
 3rd year \$ 12.00

LIFEGUARD

1st year \$ 8.75
 2nd year \$ 9.75
 3rd year \$ 10.00
 4th year \$ 10.25
 5th year \$ 10.50
 6th year \$ 10.75

*** Lifeguard Certification if they stay entire 2021 season: \$ 150.00
 *** Lifeguard Recertification if they stay entire 2021 season: \$ 50.00

CONCESSION

1st year \$ 8.25
 2nd year \$ 8.65
 3rd year \$ 9.00
 4th year \$ 9.25

MAINTENANCE

Park & Recreation Assistant \$10.50

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

Linda Harvey made a motion, seconded by Brian Merdian, to approve the following rates for the 2021 season at Crabapple Park and Pool.

2021 DAILY ADMISSION

General Admission (3 years old to adult)	\$ 10.00
2 and under	FREE
Senior Citizens (65+)	\$ 7.00
After 5:00 pm	\$ 5.00
After 5:00 pm Seniors (65+)	\$ 5.00
Groups of 10 or more (must be pre-registered as group)	\$ 8.00
10 (ten) Admissions Card	\$ 80.00
Lounge Chair Rental	\$ 5.00 per chair \$ 2.00 returned per chair

2021 CRABAPPLE POOL SPLASH PARTY

# of Guests	Lifeguards Needed	Resident	Non Resident
1 to 75 Guests	3 lifeguards	\$ 295	\$ 315
76 to 125 Guests	4 lifeguards	\$ 355	\$ 375
126 to 175 Guests	5 lifeguards	\$ 415	\$ 435
176 to 225 Guests	6 lifeguards	\$ 485	\$ 505

2021 CRABAPPLE PARK PAVILION RATES

	Resident	Non-Resident
Friday, Saturday, Sunday, Holidays	\$ 125.00	\$ 150.00
Friday Evening (5pm)	\$ 75.00	\$ 100.00
Monday-Thursday	\$ 40.00	\$ 55.00

Time Extensions are available until 10:00 pm for an additional \$ 25.00

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

Linda Harvey made a motion, seconded by Mark Petros, to permit HW Good PTO use of the large pavilion at Crabapple Park for the 4th Grade “End of Year” party on May 21, 2021 from 4:00pm to 7:00pm. Voting: Mr. Petros, Mr. Merdian, Mrs. Harvey; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Brian Merdian made a motion, seconded by Linda Harvey, to approve the following bills for payment:

General Fund:

Checks 11745 to 11771 - \$ 58,327.10 (2/19//21)
 Checks 11773 to 11794 - \$ 25,671.67 (3/4/21)

ACH Payments: First Energy - \$ 386.81 (2/25/21)
 First Energy - \$ 43.19 (2/25/21)
 First Energy - \$ 15.20 (2/25/21)
 First Energy - \$ 7.67 (2/25/21)
 Columbia Gas - \$ 331.94 (3/4/21)
 S & T Loan - \$ 5,252.37 (3/15/21)

Act 13:

Check 1119 - \$ 2,170.28 (2/12/21)

Crabapple:

Checks 4796 to 4798 - \$ 633.05 (2/19/21)
 Check 4799 - \$ 20.00 (3/4/21)

ACH Payments: First Energy - \$ 95.29 (2/25/21)
 First Energy - \$ 17.12 (2/25/21)
 First Energy - \$ 117.86 (3/10/21)
 First Energy - \$ 98.10 (3/10/21)
 Cred Card Machine - \$ 9.02 (3/10/21)

Payroll ACH Liabilities:

Paychex - \$ 366.33 (2/18/21)
 Paychex - \$ 159.00 (2/22/21)
 Paychex - \$ 366.33 (2/25/21)
 Paychex - \$ 366.33 (3/4/21)
 Paychex - \$ 300.00 (3/5/21)
 Paychex - \$ 377.83 (3/11/21)

Payroll Liabilities - \$ 3,688.76 (2/19/21)
 Payroll Liabilities - \$ 3,220.33 (2/26/21)
 Payroll Liabilities - \$ 2,857.46 (3/5/21)
 Payroll Liabilities - \$ 2,916.84 (3/12/21)

Recreation:

Check 2912 - \$ 120.00 (2/19/21)
 Checks 2913 to 2915 - \$ 247.24 (3/4/21)

ACH Payments: First Energy - \$ 508.59 (2/25/21)
 First Energy - \$ 18.25 (2/25/21)
 First Energy - \$ 14.00 (2/25/21)
 Columbia Gas - \$ 679.98 (3/4/21)
 MAWC - \$ 30.98 (3/17/21)
 MAWC - \$ 123.90 (3/17/21)

Reserve:

Check 2026 - \$ 44,996.99 (2/12/21)

Street Light / Fire Hydrant:

ACH Payments: First Energy - \$ 2,259.26 (3/5/21)
 First Energy - \$ 613.31 (3/5/21)
 First Energy - \$ 385.84 (3/5/21)

Turnback:

Check 1039 - \$ 3,530.00 (3/4/21)

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

Linda Harvey made a motion, seconded by Brian Merdian, to approve the following payrolls for payment:

Employees Payroll: 2/26/21 - \$ 10,939.15
 3/5/21 - \$ 9,908.51
 3/12/21 - \$ 10,506.56
 3/19/21 - \$ 9,708.52

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

General Public Comment

Jay Stevens of Wineberry Ridge Court is following up on the Gibson Thomas engineering report (September 5, 2019) and where the Supervisors stand on Mr. Serakowski receiving the report. Discussions also were held regarding the calling of the bond and outstanding issues with the development.

Linda Markle of Clopper Street is anxious to get the Ordinance for RV's and commercial vehicles passed. Emergency vehicles would have a difficult time getting through Clopper with the way parking is now on the street.

Carol Hevia and Mary Ann Stevens of Wineberry Ridge asked about the Township paying for the street light installed at Wineberry Ridge and also would like it changed to an LED light. They also asked who is paying for the two (2) street lights installed at the Hutchinson VFC.

New / Old Business

The Board of Supervisors are looking for any persons interested in serving on the Sutersville-Sewickley Municipal Sewage Authority. Please send letters of interest to the Sewickley Township Municipal Building for consideration.

The Sewickley Township Municipal Building will be closed on Good Friday, April 2, 2021.

The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors will be held on Wednesday, April 21, 2021 at 7:00pm.

Sewickley Township Public Service Announcement on Stormwater – given by Donn Henderson

The Sewickley Township Supervisors would like to remind all people who live and work within the Township that our storm sewer inlets, curbs and gutters, drainage ditches and storm pipes discharge directly and untreated into the Youghiogheny River, Sewickley Creek, Little Sewickley Creek and other natural waterways within the Township. In order to help keep our rivers, streams and lakes clean, we remind residents and businesses to please:

- Do NOT discard grass clippings, used oil, paints, solvents, pet wastes or other wastes into the storm drains, onto the street or into streams or other waterways.
- Clean up after your pet. Don't let pet wastes get washed into the street or down the storm drain.
- Wash your vehicle at a commercial car wash or if washing it at home, wash your vehicle in a grassy or gravel area. Or divert your wash water into the grass or gravel area.
- Properly dispose of used motor oil, oil-based paints, solvents, household cleaners and other hazardous household chemicals. Go to www.westmorelandcleanways.org for more information.

With no further business to come before the Board, Brian Merdian made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Linda Harvey. Voting: Mr. Petros, Mr. Merdian, Mrs. Harvey; yes. Meeting adjourned at 7:38pm.

Susan D. Leukhardt
Township Secretary