

Chairman, Mark Petros, on Wednesday, May 19, 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. 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
APRIL, 2021				
FNB General Fund	\$ 23,816.67	\$ 258,463.88	\$ 148,036.11	\$ 134,244.44
PLGIT General Fund	\$ 178,410.12	\$ 38,802.64	-0-	\$ 217,212.76
FNB Reserve Account	\$ 61,580.42	\$ 10.63	-0-	\$ 61,591.05

Report from Public Works Director, Tom Mignogna

The Covid restrictions are beginning to lessen, but we are still following the CDC guidelines. This month's Safety Toolbox Meeting and Video was on Bucket Truck Safety. There were 72 One Call requests this month for the Township to locations of our stormwater pipes. The mowing tractor has been out almost every day. It has been in and around Yukon, Sutersville, Lowber, and Shaner. We have done a lot of work at the Park & Pool for the startup, emptying and cleaning the pool. Cutting and trimming the grass and emptying the waste receptacles. The water meter pit at Bruno Field needed dug up and extended up to ground level and then back filled. The playgrounds at Lowber and Crabapple have been weeded and mulched. The walking trail at the bridge has been repaired and the holes at the entrance and exit to the park were black topped with hot mix. We had to replace a storm water pipe on 4th Street and installed a new basin and grate. The guys have been cutting the shoulders along Firehall Avenue, Country Lane, Sewickley Hill, and Reservoir Road filling in spots where wash outs formed. They cleaned out the outfall ditch to the pipe at the bottom of Kangaroo Hill. And an update... The gas line work in Cowansburg has been completed and restoration work has begun. Cowansburg roads will be getting paved by Columbia Gas.

Mr. Henderson added that himself and Mr. Mignogna met with Columbia Gas recently. Next year, there will be major gas line replacement in Herminie. They are marking their lines and doing test holes now. Mr. Mignogna stated that there are over 380 old service lines in Herminie that have not been changed over. If they come across these lines, Columbia Gas will change them over at no cost to the resident. If they find a meter in the basement, they will also move it outside. The Business Team will work with the residents.

Report from Recreation Director, Janet Schork

Recreation Center:

- The Fall/Winter/Spring season has concluded at the Recreation Center. However, our Step and P90X fitness classes will continue through June on Tuesday & Thursday mornings from 9:30am to 10:30am.

Recreation Activities:

- If approved tonight, the Recreation Committee will be holding the Annual Rabies Clinic on Sunday, June 6th from 11:00am to 1:00pm at the Crabapple Park Large Pavilion. The cost is \$20 for either rabies or distemper per animal OR \$30 for both rabies & distemper per animal.

Crabapple Pool:

- Our Spring Park & Pool opening procedures are moving along on schedule. We will be opening the pool for the Memorial Day Weekend, weather permitting, on Saturday, May 29th, Sunday, May 30th, and Monday, May 31st from Noon to 7:00pm.
- We will then be closed from Tuesday, June 1st through Friday, June 4th due to our limited lifeguard staff until school has concluded.
- We will be open for the season on Saturday, June 5th.
- Memberships are available at the pool office on the following days:
 - Thursday, May 20th from 11:00am to 3:00pm
 - Monday, May 24th, and May 26th through May 28th from 11:00am to 3:00pm
 - Tuesday, May 25th from 11:00am to 7:00pm
 - Daily during the month of June from 10:00am to 11:00am. Passes will not be sold during regular pool hours.
 - You can also print the application from the Township website, and along with any necessary supporting documents, mail to the Sewickley Township Recreation office. The address is also on the application and the website.

Crabapple Park:

- Aaron & Emily Fossi have requested use of the Crabapple Park Large Pavilion on Saturday, August 14, 2021 for their father, Alan Fossi's Memorial Celebration.
- The Annual Candlelight Vigil will be held at Crabapple Park & the Crabapple Park Large Pavilion on Thursday, May 27, 2021 from 7:30pm to dusk.
- Sewickley Township Public Library will be using the Crabapple Park Large Pavilion on Wednesdays in May, June, July and their Summer Reading Program Finale" on July 28th from 4:00pm to 8:00pm.
- Herminie Scout Troop 259 will be holding their Thursday meetings in June, July, and August at Crabapple Park Large Pavilion. In lieu of payment for facility use, the Scouts will be assisting Park Maintenance by performing park cleanup. Date to be determined.
- Crabapple Park is now open to vehicular traffic 8:00am to dusk.
- Thank you, Tom Mignogna, Public Works Director, and his crew for all their help at Crabapple Park and Pool. I appreciate all their hard work!

Yough Soccer:

- Thank you to Tony Sudaric, President Yough Youth Soccer Association, for helping clean up Bruno Field. Tony power washed, weeded, and mulched the Bruno Memorial area at the field. He also fixed a burst pipe and replaced a water valve at the concession stand. Additionally, Tony along with soccer parents and Scout Troop 461, removed decaying bleacher boards and painted and mounted newly painted boards.

Report from Emergency Management Director, Glenn Wees

Every year, we try to do something for the Township and fire departments. This year, our project is to obtain a drone. It is capable to take infrared pictures/videos at night which is important with the type of terrain we have in the Township. There is pilot training involved so we are able to fly over 500 ft also. Mr. Wees provided the information to the Supervisors.

Sewickley Township Public Library Events and Programs – given by Marci Suggars

Summer Reading registration starts June 1st. We have eight (8) weeks of programs and events lined up for kids and teens. Some programs will be held at Crabapple Pavilion and some in-house at the Library. The theme this year is "Tails & Tales". Story Time is happening each Wednesday at 1:00pm at Crabapple. All are welcome. Adult Craft Classes will resume in July with a beach-themed decorative bottle. We have been open regular hours for almost a year now and encourage everyone to stop by and see what we have to offer!

No Public Comment on Agenda Items

Linda Harvey made a motion, seconded by Mark Petros, to approve the minutes of the Sewickley Township Board of Supervisors Regular Meeting held on April 21, 2021 and the Special Planning Meeting held on May 6, 2021. Voting: Mr. Petros, Mr. Merdian, Mrs. Harvey; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Brian Merdian made a motion, seconded by Linda Harvey, 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	\$ 259.01

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 Herminie Volunteer Fire Company as follows:

First National Bank – monthly payment for radios	\$ 363.63
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Voting: Mr. Petros, Mr. Merdian, Mrs. Harvey; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Linda Harvey made a motion, seconded by Brian Merdian, to accept the lowest proposal for borings and geotech reports for the Turner Lane Streambank Stabilization Project and the Rillton Recreation site from Ackenheil's totaling \$18,870.00. Voting: Mr. Petros, Mr. Merdian, Mrs. Harvey; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Brian Merdian made a motion, seconded by Mark Petros, to approve the Eori Plan 1 which subdivides Lot 1 containing 8.00 acres located on Mars Hill Road and Chopp Street from the residual 145 acres tract. This is the first parcel of the major subdivision of the Joseph Eori Plan. The property is zoned A-1. Public water is available and the sewage module has been approved by DEP. 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 Mark Petros, to request a traffic study from PennDOT regarding the speed limit on Guffey Road. Voting: Mr. Petros, Mr. Merdian, Mrs. Harvey; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Linda Harvey made a motion, seconded by Mark Petros, to authorize the renewal of the Township vision insurance through Highmark. There is a minimal increase from the past benefit period. Voting: Mr. Petros, Mr. Merdian, Mrs. Harvey; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Linda Harvey made a motion, seconded by Mark Petros, to authorize the Sewickley Township Recreation Department use of the Large Pavilion at Crabapple Park on Sunday, June 6, 2021 from 11:00am to 1:00pm for their Annual Rabies Clinic. Voting: Mr. Petros, Mr. Merdian, Mrs. Harvey; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Linda Harvey made a motion, seconded by Brian Merdian, to authorize Herminie Scout Troop 259 use of the Large Pavilion at Crabapple Park at no cost each Thursday evening from June 3, 2021 through September 2, 2021. In lieu of payment for facility use, the Scouts will be assisting Park Maintenance and perform park cleanup. Date to be determined. Voting: Mr. Petros, Mr. Merdian, Mrs. Harvey; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Linda Harvey made a motion, seconded by Brian Merdian, to authorize the Sewickley Township Public Library use of the Large Pavilion at Crabapple Park at no cost each Wednesday afternoon from May 5, 2021 through July 28, 2021 and on Monday, June 14, 2021 for their library story time activities. Voting: Mr. Petros, Mr. Merdian, Mrs. Harvey; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Linda Harvey made a motion, seconded by Mark Petros, to authorize Aaron Fossi use of the Crabapple Park Large Pavilion on Saturday, August 14, 2021 for the Alan Fossi Memorial Celebration and to waive any fees that may be involved. Voting: Mr. Petros, Mr. Merdian, Mrs. Harvey; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Linda Harvey made a motion, seconded by Mark Petros, to authorize the use of Crabapple Park on Thursday, May 27, 2021 for the annual Candlelight Vigil and to waive any fees that may be involved. This event will be held from 7:30pm to dusk. Voting: Mr. Petros, Mr. Merdian, Mrs. Harvey; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Brian Merdian made a motion, seconded by Linda Harvey, to hire the following employees to work the 2021 season at Crabapple Pool at the rates listed below.

**2021
CRABAPPLE EMPLOYEE LIST**

POSITION	NAME	YEARS OF SERVICE	PAY RATE PER HOUR
POOL MANAGER	Yvonne Shawl	12	15.25
ASSISTANT MANAGERS	Emma Gates	6	12.00
	Julia Dandar	5	12.00
	Megan Vanyo	5	12.00
LIFEGUARDS	Maria Vanyo	3	10.00
	Dominic DeFazio	1	8.75
	Ianna Dull	1	8.75
	Julia Kopf	1	8.75
	Hayley O'Conner	1	8.75
	Megan Pothoff	1	8.75
	Jack Shawl	1	8.75
	Cole Spivak	1	8.75
GATE / CONCESSION	Danny Shawl	4	9.25
	Abigail Butler	1	8.25
	Liam Buzas	1	8.25
	Madison Hayes	1	8.25
	Haley Lauffer	1	8.25
	Katie Sanner	1	8.25

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

Brian Merdian made a motion, seconded by Mark Petros, to approve Resolution 23-2021 authorizing the partial closure of 3rd Street off Sewickley Avenue in Herminie next to Zala's Café. Their events will be held on July 17, 2021 and August 7, 2021 from 6:00pm to 9:45pm. 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 11885 to 11907 - \$ 50,000.62 (4/28/21)	ACH Payments: First Energy (8 payments) - \$ 496.50 (4/26/21)
Checks 11908 to 11939 - \$ 64,575.63 (5/19/21)	Columbia Gas - \$ 130.15 (5/4/21)
	MAWC - \$ 1,399.71 (5/7/21)
	First Energy - \$ 43.53 (5/7/21)
	MAWC - \$ 247.98 (5/19/21)

Act 13:

Checks 1121 to 1122 - \$ 135.45 (5/19/21)

Crabapple:

Checks 4806 to 4811 - \$ 1,938.72 (5/19/21)	ACH Payments: First Energy - \$ 21.42 (4/26/21)
	First Energy - \$ 14.81 (4/26/21)
	First Energy - \$ 113.38 (5/7/21)
	First Energy - \$ 94.69 (5/7/21)
	Cred Card Machine - \$ 27.96 (5/10/21)
	MAWC - \$ 147.98 (5/19/21)

Liquid Fuels:

Check 533 - \$ 33,523.89 (4/28/21)

Payroll / Paychex ACH Liabilities:

Paychex - \$ 117.30 (4/23/21)	Payroll Liabilities - \$ 2,704.92 (4/23/21)
Paychex - \$ 120.60 (4/30/21)	Payroll Liabilities - \$ 3,036.82 (4/30/21)
Paychex - \$ 300.00 (5/7/21)	Payroll Liabilities - \$ 2,884.60 (5/7/21)
Paychex - \$ 120.60 (5/7/21)	Payroll Liabilities - \$ 2,914.40 (5/14/21)
Paychex - \$ 138.70 (5/14/21)	

Recreation:

Checks 2922 to 2924 - \$ 357.44 (4/28/21)	ACH Payments: First Energy - \$ 377.25 (4/26/21)
Checks 2925 to 2927 - \$ 533.14 (5/19/21)	First Energy - \$ 15.14 (4/26/21)
	First Energy - \$ 12.27 (4/26/21)
	Columbia Gas - \$ 161.29 (5/4/21)
	MAWC - \$ 154.87 (5/19/21)

Street Light / Fire Hydrant:

ACH Payments: First Energy - \$ 2,199.35 (5/3/21)
 First Energy - \$ 597.22 (5/3/21)
 First Energy - \$ 375.75 (5/3/21)

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

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

Employees Payroll: 4/30/21 - \$ 10,727.81
 5/7/21 - \$ 10,350.91
 5/14/21 - \$ 10,162.64
 5/21/21 - \$ 11,063.31

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

General Public Comment

Daryl Dermotta asked what the status is on fixing our roads, specifically Shaner Road. Mr. Mignogna stated that we have narrowed down the roads that need repairs and are consulting with our Engineers to get estimates on repairs. Mr. Merdian continued that it is a process and it is underway.

John Seanor stated that his neighbor has a carpet business and is putting commercial garbage out with their residential garbage through Waste Management.

Michelle Fidei extended her appreciation to the Supervisors for supporting a traffic study be done by the State on Guffey Road.

Cathy Peters asked what the next step in the process for the traffic study. Mr. Henderson stated that it is up to PennDOT once we send our request.

Joan Kasckok is requesting speed limit signs on General Braddock Road and a No Littering sign on Ipnar Road.

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 next Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors will be held on Wednesday, June 16, 2021 at 7:00pm.

With no further business to come before the Board, Linda Harvey made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Brian Merdian. Voting: Mr. Petros, Mr. Merdian, Mrs. Harvey; yes. Meeting adjourned at 7:36pm.

Susan D. Leukhardt
Township Secretary