

Chairman, Mark Petros, on Thursday, July 8, 2021 at 7:00pm in the Meeting Room of the Municipal Building, called the Special Meeting of the Sewickley Township Board of Supervisors to order as advertised in the Tribune Review on Thursday, July 1, 2021. 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, and Susan Leukhardt.

Mark Petros led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Public Comment**

Marci Suggars paid a compliment to Tom Mignogna, Public Works Director, for sweeping and clearing off the roads near her house in such a quick, timely manner.

**Discussion / Decision on Township Road Projects for 2021**

Township Manager, Donn Henderson stated that we received paving cost estimates on a list of roads from Gibson Thomas Engineering. As a whole, which would include Tar and Chip and Contracted Work, totals approximately \$550,000.00.

Mr. Merdian cautions against running down our balances due to the surplus not being there. He would like to see the in-house paving and tar and chipping paid with monies we already have throughout the Township’s different funds. And the contracted paving of the larger projects to be paid through a loan that could be paid off sooner than the term of the loan if the Township has the funds available.

Mrs. Harvey asked if we could start tomorrow paving the roads, what would it be? Mr. Mignogna stated upper Shaner Road, Sulphur Springs, Falls Road, and Stewart Lane. Mr. Merdian stated that he ran some numbers, and the In-House paving would cost approximately \$85,000 in material with the Township doing the work. Mr. Henderson stated that prep work would be done on these roads while waiting for the asphalt bids to come in.

Mr. Petros asked what prep work needs to be done on Shaner Road. Mr. Mignogna stated just ditch work.

Brian Merdian made a motion, seconded by Linda Harvey, to approve the In-House paving project as listed below with the funds to cover the materials coming from the Highway Aid PLGIT Account. Estimated Cost is \$85,000.00. An outside source will be needed for the milling of Medic Street.

In-House Paving	Qty	Unit Price	Total
1. Medic Street (593 x 26.5)			
a. Mill	1750 s.y.	\$2.00/s.y.	\$3,500.00
b. Level Course	100 ton	___ * ___	
c. 1 ½ “ Wearing Course	100 ton	___ * ___	
d. Wedge Curb	170 l.f.	\$2.00/l.f.	\$340.00
2. Falls Road (1145 x 16.8)			
a. Level Course	125 ton	___ * ___	
b. 1” Wearing Course	125 ton	___ * ___	
3. Upper Shaner Road (2320 x 18) [Stewart to Brunazzi]			
a. Level Course	260 ton	___ * ___	
b. 1” Wearing Course	260 ton	___ * ___	

- 4. Sulphur Springs (1515 x 17.5)
  - a. Level Course 170 ton \_\_\_\_\_ \*
  - b. 1" Wearing Course 170 ton \_\_\_\_\_ \*

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

Regarding the Contracted Work portion of the paving project, Mr. Merdian stated that it is approximately \$480,000.00 per the estimates given to us from Gibson Thomas Engineering. Mr. Merdian asks the Board to consider doing a ten (10) year loan for the paving of all the roads listed below with hopes of paying it off much sooner if the funds allow. This should get us to about 95% of fair to good quality roads within the Township.

Mrs. Harvey stated that she agrees that all these roads need taken care of. What is the time frame in which to do roads in 2021? Mr. Merdian stated that paving could take place into the first of November. Mrs. Harvey stated that she is opposed to a loan at this time. We now have approximately \$290,000.00 available (after the \$85,000 motion above) to work with, plus the MSATS Sale Account is also available to borrow from with paying out no interest.

Mr. Petros stated that he agrees that these roads are in bad shape and something needs to be done with them. He does not agree with taking a loan out. He would like to see the whole project go out for bid and then see where we get the funds from. Mr. Henderson stated that if you could take \$300,000 from the MSATS Sale Account and match it with the \$300,000 from other Township Funds. Then do a budgeted payback plan to the MSATS Sales Account over a predetermined number of years.

Mr. Henderson summarized the estimated Paving Project as follows: \$475,000 for contracted paving, \$85,000 for in-house paving, and \$73,000 for tar and chipping. If you add in Shaner, we're looking at a total of approximately \$700,000.

The Board of Supervisors directed Mr. Henderson to proceed with a financing plan as presented this evening with options on loans and whether Liquid Fuels funds can be used to pay back Township accounts.

Mr. Merdian made a motion, seconded by Mr. Petros, to authorized Gibson Thomas Engineering to put out for bid the Contracted Work Paving Project as listed below. McGrogan Road will be put on as a separate cost. Funding to be determined. Voting: Mrs. Harvey, Mr. Petros, Mr. Merdian; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

<b>Contracted Work</b>	<b>Qty</b>	<b>Unit Price</b>	<b>Total</b>
1. Brunazzi Road (5880 x 18)			
a. Level Course	650 tons	\$70.00/ton	\$ 45,500.00
b. 1" Wearing Course	11,760 s.y.	\$5.00/s.y.	<u>\$ 58,800.00</u>
		<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$ 104,300.00</b>
2. Volk Road (3890 x 17.3)			
a. Level Course	415 tons	\$70.00/ton	\$ 29,050.00
b. 1" Wearing Course	7,480 s.y.	\$5.00/s.y.	<u>\$ 37,400.00</u>
		<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$ 66,450.00</b>
3. Wolfe Lane (1510 x 16.8)			
a. Level Course	160 tons	\$70.00/ton	\$ 11,200.00
b. 1" Wearing Course	2,825 s.y.	\$5.00/s.y.	<u>\$ 14,125.00</u>
		<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$ 25,325.00</b>
4. Slaughter Hollow Road (5630 x 17)			
a. Level Course	590 ton	\$70.00/ton	\$ 41,300.00
b. 1" Wearing Course	10,650 s.y.	\$5.00/s.y.	<u>\$ 53,250.00</u>
		<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$ 94,550.00</b>

5. Wineland Drive (727 x 23) [West Newton Road to #124]			
a. Mill	1,875 s.y.	\$2.00/s.y.	\$ 3,750.00
b. Level	105 tons	\$70.00/ton	\$ 7,350.00
c. 1 ½ " Wearing Course	1,875 s.y.	\$6.25/s.y.	<u>\$ 11,719.00</u>
		<u>Subtotal</u>	<u>\$ 22,819.00</u>
6. Wineland Drive (1450 x 19.3) [#124 to Wilson Drive]			
a. Level Course	175 tons	\$70.00/ton	\$ 12,250.00
b. 1" Wearing Course	3,125 s.y.	\$5.00/s.y.	<u>\$ 15,625.00</u>
		<u>Subtotal</u>	<u>\$ 27,875.00</u>
7. McCune (815 x 22)			
a. Mill	2,000 s.y.	\$2.00/s.y.	\$ 4,000.00
b. Level Course	115 ton	\$70.00/ton	\$ 8,050.00
c. 1 ½" Wearing Course	2,000 s.y.	\$6.25/s.y.	\$ 12,500.00
8. McGrogan Road (4,540 x 15) (alternate) [Dirt Road]			
a. 3" Binder	7,575 s.y.	\$9.50/s.y.	\$ 71,963.00
b. 1" Wearing Course	7,575 s.y.	\$5.00/s.y.	<u>\$ 37,875.00</u>
		<u>Subtotal</u>	<u>\$ 109,838.00</u>
		<b>Total</b>	<b><u>\$ 475,707.00</u></b>
			<b><u>Use \$480,000.00</u></b>

NOTE: McGrogan Road- Due to the existing road being dirt, a minimum of 4" is recommended. Depending upon driveway/yards. ETC- If more asphalt can be added, it is recommended. (4" Binder, 1 ½ " wearing)

Linda Harvey made a motion, seconded by Mark Petros, to authorized Gibson Thomas Engineering to put out for bid the Tar and Chip Project as listed below. Funding to be determined. Voting: Mrs. Harvey, Mr. Petros, Mr. Merdian; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

### Tar and Chip

1. Rodebaugh	(2,545 x 16.2) = 4,580 s.y.
2. Shuglie Hill	(2,885 x 14.8) =4,745 s.y.
3. General Braddock	(5,780 x 20.3) =13,040 s.y.
4. Reservoir Road [Orchard to General Braddock]	(4,290 x 18.3) =8,725 s.y.
5. Greenhills	<u>(7,550 x 21) =17,615 s.y.</u>
	Subtotal <u>48,705 s.y.</u>

### Construction Estimate:

Qty	Unit Price	Total
48,705 s.y.	\$1.50/s.y.	<u>\$73,057.50</u>

**Use \$80,000.00 (Adding in traffic control)**

Brian Merdian made a motion, seconded by Mark Petros, to receive proposals for 9.5mm, 19.0mm, and 25.0mm asphalt for in-house paving projects. Voting: Mrs. Harvey, Mr. Petros, Mr. Merdian; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Linda Harvey made a motion, seconded by Brian Merdian, to authorize the Township Solicitor to advertise an Ordinance amending Chapter 21, Streets and Sidewalks, of the Sewickley Township Code to regulate street closures or restrictions for construction, maintenance, special events, or parades. Voting: Mrs. Harvey, Mr. Petros, Mr. Merdian; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Linda Harvey made a motion, seconded by Mark Petros, to proceed with joint submission with the Sewickley Township Public Library to the Westmoreland County Land Bank for lien checks and debts for the Monsour property located at 24 Highland Avenue, Herminie. Voting: Mrs. Harvey, yes; Mr. Petros, yes; Mr. Merdian, abstain due to serving on the Westmoreland County Land Bank Board. Motion carried.

Brian Merdian made a motion, seconded by Mark Petros, to proceed with low-income surveys in the areas of Rillton and Whyel in advance of upcoming CDBG Grant applications. Voting: Mrs. Harvey, Mr. Petros, Mr. Merdian; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Brian Merdian made a motion, seconded by Mark Petros, to table a decision on Read Out changes for the Sewickley Township Fire Departments. Board Comments: Mrs. Harvey stated she wants to make sure all four (4) companies are on board. Mr. Petros and Mr. Merdian agree. Voting: Mrs. Harvey, Mr. Petros, Mr. Merdian; yes. Motion to table carried.

Brian Merdian made a motion, seconded by Mark Petros, to direct the Township Manager to comprise a Resolution to authorize the sale of the MSATS Building located at 308 Sewickley Avenue. Voting: Mrs. Harvey, Mr. Petros, Mr. Merdian; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Brian Merdian made a motion, seconded by Linda Harvey, to purchase cameras for Crabapple Park not to exceed \$800.00. Voting: Mrs. Harvey, Mr. Petros, Mr. Merdian; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

### **General Public Comment**

Dean Komlenic stated that if you don't pave McGrogen, can it be tar and chipped. Mr. Petros stated that we are in agreement that something needs to be done. We have to wait to see if the Township receives CDBG money for that road first.

### **New / Old Business**

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

Brian Merdian made a motion, seconded by Linda Harvey, to submit the formal response to the Union regarding the grievance that was filed that concurs with the original response. Voting: Mrs. Harvey, Mr. Petros, Mr. Merdian; yes. Motion carried unanimously.

With no further business to come before the Board, Brian Merdian made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mark Petros. Voting: Mr. Petros, Mr. Merdian, Mrs. Harvey; yes. Meeting adjourned at 8:02pm.

Susan D. Leukhardt  
Township Secretary