

## **LeBoeuf Township Supervisors Meeting – February 22, 2023**

The LeBoeuf Township Supervisors meeting was held February 22, 2023. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. Present were James Glover, Michael Porter, Michael Whitman, Drew Francisco, Chris Truitt, Solicitor Gery Nietupski, Tim Pietrasewicz and Catherine Wise. Also in Attendance: Ken Parks (Rabel Surveying), Mark & Valerie Rose, Matt Slebic, Edward Falconer, Jeffrey Cooper, Lindsey Etheridge and Bill Phillips.

Michael Whitman motioned to approve the February 8, 2023 Regular Meeting minutes. Michael Porter seconded. All voted yes.

James Glover moved to submit for audit the Treasurer's Report for February 23, 2023– General Fund: \$36,403.46, State Fund: \$4,968.40. Health Reimbursement Fund: \$503.89, ARPA Funds: \$75,390.53, Capital Reserve Fund: \$5,000.37, Line of Credit: \$70,631.02 remaining. Michael Whitman seconded. Motion carried.

Kiwanis Club of Fort LeBoeuf Representatives Mark & Valerie Rose and Matt Slebic spoke with the Supervisors requesting a list of projects that may be considered by the Kiwanis Club for help with funding. The Kiwanis Club is designed to address the needs of children, such as Playground Equipment and STEAM projects. Deadline for submission is March 31, 2023. The Representatives left at 6:10 p.m.

Discussion was held on the Ohio Train Derailment and Railroad Tankers which are traveling through LeBoeuf Township. The Railroad is not required to inform municipalities of chemical being transported and the Rail tankers are not marked to deter terrorism. The Emergency Management Co-Ordinator and the Mill Village Fire Company would take charge in the event of a derailment.

Supervisors agreed to pay for 2 Firemen to Attend the ECATO Firemen's Dinner in March.

A list of EMS Dropped Calls and a list of Properties up for Tax Sale were presented.

A review of the Enterprise Zone Resolution was conducted – the Supervisors pledged to sign the Resolution at the next meeting on Solicitor Gery Nietupski's advice.

Ken Parks from Rabel Surveying presented the Port Farms Brewery Planning Module and Resolution. Michael Porter motioned to sign Resolution #2 - 2023 approving an on lot commercial sewage system, Michael Whitman seconded. All voted yes. The packet will be signed by Secretary Catherine Wise and sent back to Rabel Surveying.

Jeffrey Cooper – The Community Liaison for the Erie County Fusion Cell, presented a list of available grants and loans. Supervisors spoke with him about the fact that LeBoeuf Township Residents pay taxes to Erie County and do not see any of that money returned in investment to the community. He spoke about the Municipal Gap Program, the Omnibus Bill and County Council voting on money to be used to help with roads. LeBoeuf Township is estimating that tar & chip all township roads would cost approximately five million dollars.

Grant Writer Lindsey Etheridge was present to speak with the Supervisors about trying to obtain grants for LeBoeuf Township. She stated that she would do some research into the subject. Shovel ready projects are more likely to receive funding. Supervisors stated that finishing the 3 main roads are priority at this time. (Stone Quarry, Old Meadville and Dutchtown). Discussion was held on adding a per capital tax or raising real estate taxes, to help pay for the continuing improvement to roads.

In regard to Union LeBoeuf Road, Solicitor Gery Nietupski will take a look at the contract with Russell Standard, to see if there is any way to receive compensation for the failed material.

Road Forman report: The “Mark Corey” COG 2023 Tar & Chip bid is due on Friday, February 24, 2023. Supervisors will request 4.8 miles of Tar & Chip, which will be placed on a portion of Dutchtown North in conjunction with Mill Village Borough Council, Stone Quarry Road between Willey & Vincent Road, and Union LeBeouf Road. Mill Village Borough is entering into an agreement for the addition of Depot Street North & South (approximately 1.2 miles included in the 4.8 Miles of Tar & Chip) Michael Porter motioned to submit the 4.8 miles, Michael Whitman seconded. All voted yes. Mill Village Borough Councilman Edward Falconer was present to review the Dutchtown North and Depot Street Tar & Chip bid amounts. Edward left at 6:50 p.m.

The Road crew has been hauling millings, to stockpile, at the Mystic Road Pit. The repaired Tri-Axle will be picked up in Ohio on Friday. 300 tons of 57's have been placed on township roads to help with stabilization.

Correspondence was read & reviewed.

Michael Whitman motioned to Sign Bills & Payroll for February 23, 2023. James Glover seconded. All voted yes.

Michael Whitman moved, seconded by Michael Porter to adjourn the regular meeting at 7:45 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted

Catherine Wise  
Secretary/Treasurer