

September 1, 2022

The Preston Township Board of Supervisors held their September 1, 2022 Board meeting at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, September 1, 2022 at the Township Municipal Building. Alan Jones, Chair, called the meeting to order. All Board members were present. (Alan Jones, James C. Neu, Jr. and Stephen Brown) The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

Minutes of the August meeting were read. Motion to approve the minutes as read by James C. Neu, Jr., second Stephen Brown. Motion carried.

The treasurer's report was read. Motion to approve the treasurer's report by James C. Neu, Jr., second Stephen Brown. Motion carried

Invoices for the month were reviewed. Motion to pay expenses and approve the payrolls by James C. Neu, Jr., second Stephen Brown. Motion carried. Expenses totaled **\$14,771.45**. Payrolls totaled **\$16,990.82**.

Sealed bid proposals for work on the Townships storage building project were opened. The proposals were as follows: Energy Smart, Moosic, PA, spray insulation - **\$24,999.00**; All Electric, Preston Park, PA, electrical installation - **\$29,482.00**; Northeast Door Sales, Dickson City, PA, overhead doors and components (door openers etc.) installation - **\$44,500.00**; Town and Country Energy, Equinunk, PA, heating system and propane tank installation - **\$15,375.00**. The township received only one proposal for each of the individual projects.

Alan Jones reported we now have almost \$100,000 in grant money for the storage building. He stated the Township will be doing some of the work themselves. He also stated there are plans to expand the office by taking a garage bay which would allow for more record storage space and a larger, separate meeting room.

Resolution No. 2022-09-01#1 was presented, which states that PRESTON TOWNSHIP declared its intent to follow the schedules and procedures for the disposition of records as set forth in the Municipal Records Manual approved December 16, 2008. Motion to adopt the resolution by James C. Neu, Jr. and second Stephen Brown. Motion carried.

Preston Township then presented Resolution No. 2022 -09-01#2 to dispose of various general ledgers, cancelled checks, payroll sheets, bank statements, newspaper ads, receipts, and invoices that were all damaged and over 20 years old. Motion to pass the disposal resolution by James C. Neu, Jr. and second Stephen Brown. Motion carried.

There was no Planning Commission business.

Alan Jones expressed the township's appreciation to the Wayne County Commissioners for the **\$30,000.00** grant from the County ARP (American Recovery Program) Fund.

Alan Jones broached the topic of ATV dual use roads. He stated the general public is not interested in dual use roads in the township. The matter is incurring legal costs. James C. Neu, Jr. stated he has spoken to only one person who was in favor of it. Mr. Jones felt the dual use discussion has gone on

long enough. Mr. Jones presented the following: motion to vote against dual use township roads by Alan Jones, second James C. Neu, Jr. Motion carried.

Steve Brown stated they were basically finished with calcium at the moment and gearing up for winter mode.

Mary Lynn Smith suggested road signs stating this is not an ATV trail should greatly reduce the township's liability. Linda Bliss questioned if this would squash ATV's and the snowmobile club from using the township roads? Mr. Jones noted the township is not giving permission to ATVs or snowmobiles to use the township roads.

Gary Czapnik asked if there was any news on the Train Depot status. Alan Jones said the hearing for it will be held Oct. 6, 2022. And it must be advertised three times.

Wayne Popich thanked the township for its work on Czapnik Road.

Being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Mary Ann Llewellyn
Secretary

treasurer's report
for October 6, 2022 meeting

general fund	220,039.38	ARP fund	82,399.28
liquid fuels fund	<u>83,799.57</u>	health & welfare fund	4,150.21
	303,838.95	UCC fund	37,381.07
		gen. fund. operating reserve	74,790.49
		liquid fuels equip. reserve	5,646.24

UCC fund receipts

building permits (Snyder, Urdang, Gould, HNB, NJY Camps, Stinavage)	3076.90
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general fund receipts

sewer permits (Arrigan, Juba, Leet, Wendoloski)	540.00
building permits (Lipovsky, Westmont,)	150.00
real estate transfer tax	10,154.12
workman's comp reimbursement (Scott)	4573.17
real estate tax	7285.12
per capita tax	87.00
finer (D.J.)	21.27
dividend (Selective Ins.)	<u>233.26</u>
	23,043.94

invoices paid / to be paid

Kimball Midwest	89.98	Saam, LLC	343.83
Industrial Electronics, Inc	150.00	First Net	46.95
Geisinger Quality Options	2187.88	Shakelton Auto Parts	14.72
PSATS QuickBook Class	135.00	Penelec-garage	107.08
Penelec-storage	19.14	Penelec-depot	40.00
Bill Pykus Excavating	20933.10	Gannon Assoc.	8827.00
Verizon	294.42	Freddy's Refuse	171.28
Alan Jones-Aetna	140.36	Bob Bates Inspections	1392.00
James McDonald	90.00	Firmstone/Lkwd. Fuels	384.05
AmTrust	1472.00	Visa-New Website	152.64
Dempsey Uniform	220.56	Bob Bates Inspection	1272.00
Joe's Auto Central	834.61	Amazon Capital	117.69
PMRS-admin. fee	20.00	Amy Watson-postage	11.75
Hancock Telephone	49.95	HNB loan interest	340.92
Hancock Herald-bid ads	235.00	McAndrew Law	1699.54
Industrial Electronics, Inc	150.00	Hancock Telephone	49.95
Freddy's Refuse	85.00	B.I.U. of PA, Inc.	1155.00
Mary Ann Llewellyn-office supplies	544.82	Firmstone/Lkwd. Fuels	391.50