

**West Penn Township Board of Supervisors  
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**Regular 9AM Monthly Meeting  
Monday, September 17, 2018**

**Present at the Meeting**

**Tony Prudenti – Chairman**

**Katie Orlick – Secretary**

**Tim Houser – Vice-Chairman (absent)**

**Paul Datte – Solicitor**

**Ted Bogosh III – Supervisor**

**Bill Anders– Engineer**

**Karen Wittig – Treasurer**

**I. General**

Anthony Prudenti called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance & Introductions at 9:03AM.

**II. Public Comment on Agenda Items** – None

**III. Land Use**

**IV. Operations**

A. Planning Commission Meeting for September 25, 2018 is canceled. There are no plans for review.

B. Urban Research and the Zoning Ordinance Update Committee will meet on October 8, 2018 @ 7PM

Meeting opened to the public.

**V. Old Business** – None

**VI. New Business**

A. Decide on a Date & Time for Trick-or-Treat

BOS decided to have Trick-or-Treat on Saturday, October 27, 2018, 6PM-8:30PM.

**VII. Business from Anyone on the Board**

A. Ted Bogosh III spoke about drainage issue on Dairy Road. Mr. Bogosh III stated that the Road Master and the Engineer went out to the site and came up with some possible solutions. They will not be able to do it immediately but they are aware and have a plan.

B. Ted Bogosh III stated that grass clippings on the roads are very hazardous to motorist, especially motorcycles.

There are laws against putting your grass clippings on the roads. You can be fined \$300 or more. The grass clippings on the roads can create a slick surface and can cause a major accident. Please, keep the grass off the roads.

C. Ted Bogosh III – reminded everyone about the invasive insects that are killing our trees. Mr. Bogosh III recommends that the residents check their properties for dead trees and get rid of them accordingly. This will help prevent potential hazards such as trees falling on powerlines or trees obstructing the roads.

D. Chairman called for a motion to proceed with the appraisal for the Railroad Right-of Way. Josh Cramer is willing to accept the appraisal for whatever the land is worth and donate the Railroad Right-a-Way to the Township. The Township will be responsible for the cost of the appraisal which is \$1500 dollars. Ted Bogosh III made the motion. Chairman seconded the motion. Motion was carried. 2-0

E. Chairman and Ted Bogosh III met with a gentleman that would like to donate land for another potential park in the Township. The BOS went to see the site and Mr. Bogosh III said it is an excellent location.

F. Chairman discussed the Police Department's LPR system

The Department received \$30,000 grant for the LPR system but the Department would like to get E-citations, lap tops and printers to go with it. This will cost an additional \$8206.35. The Chief has it in the Police Budget. The Chairman called for a motion to have the additional money for the system taken out of the police budget. Ted Bogosh III made the motion. Chairman seconded the motion. Motion was carried. 2-0

G. Chairman said he would like to discuss some complaints with our Zoning/Code Enforcement Officer. Unfortunately, Mr. Anders was unable to attend this meeting because he had to represent WPT at a FEMA Meeting about flood insurance. Chairman will discuss them at the next meeting.

### **VIII. Correspondence**

A. Chairman read a letter from Tamaqua Borough requesting assistance from the West Penn Township Fire Police to help with their Halloween Parade on Tuesday, October 23 at 7Pm with a rain date of Wednesday, October 24, 2018 at 7PM.

B. Chairman read a letter from the West Penn Township Lions Club. The annual Andreas Halloween Parade will be held on Wednesday, October 17, 2018 @ 7PM

C. Chairman asked Paul Datte if he had anything for the BOS. Mr. Datte prepared a draft Ordinance for the Police Department's Impound Lot. Mr. Datte asked the Chief and the BOS to review it and if they have comments let him know. Mr. Datte said hopefully October we can take the next step and authorize advertising. There will also be a fee resolution we will have to adopt for the Impound Lot. Attorney Datte asked the BOS for an executive session to discuss litigation.

### **IX. Public Comment on General Items**

A. Ted Rosen questioned the BOS if they heard anything from the Water Extraction Attorney in regards to Task #2. Chairman said we didn't hear anything yet at this point.

**X. Executive Session** – Paul Datte requested an executive session for litigation @ 9:25AM.

Chairman called the meeting back to order @ 9:45AM

Chairman asked if anyone had anything else.

Allison McArdle questioned if there was a response to her letter from earlier in September? Chairman said Bill Anders would have to answer that and he was not at the meeting. Paul Datte said that Bill Anders was investigating her letter and he was reaching out to Labor & Industry with a question he had. Ted Rosen asked the BOS if there were any strings attached by getting the Railroad Right-a-Way donated to us. Chairman said no and we are looking into a grant. We have a meeting with Chris Stroehler from Wildlands Conservancy to see if we can make the Railroad Right-a-Way a walking trail. Ted Rosen asked if there will be a committee set up and if so he would like to be involved.

### **XI. Adjournment**

Chairman called for a motion to adjourn the meeting @ 9:55AM. Ted Bogosh III made the motion.

Chairman seconded the motion. Motion was carried. 2-0

Transcribed By:

Katie Orlick

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