

**Union Township Board of Supervisors
Legislative Meeting
January 27, 2021
5:00 p.m.**

The Union Township Board of Supervisors meeting was called to order by Chairperson, Heather Daerr at 5:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Proof of Publication confirmed

Moment of Prayer by Pastor Glenn

Attendees at meeting were: Heather Daerr, Chairperson; Charles Trax, Vice Chairman; Richard Lawson, Supervisor/ Treasurer; Hal D. Breinig, Supervisor/Roadmaster; David A. Esken, Supervisor/Roadmaster

Also, in attendance were: Roberta Singer, Secretary/Ass't. Treasurer; Karen Brown, Administration; Gary Sweat, Solicitor, Sweat Law Offices; Jessica Stiner, Engineer – Harshman CE Group, LLC; City of Monongahela Police Department Officer; Sarah Scott, Esquire, Sweat Law Offices

PUBLIC COMMENT

Michalle Dupree – 6178 State Route 88 – regarding minutes from May 13, 2020 and contacting Office of Open Records. Needing quorum to approve minutes and there is/was no quorum to approve those minutes. Also, about fulfilling my Right to Know Request and subsequent appeal. I want to make you aware that you have yet to fulfil my right to know request and my appeal which I won and the meeting minutes from February 17th.

Richard Lawson – Mr. Lawson responded to Ms. Dupree about his personal review of minutes and there are errors – human errors, but all minutes are in the books. Comments about minutes being tabled and not approved is incorrect and pages being blank – explained the process and if there are errors, they are human errors – not intentional. I appreciate the publics participation in township business and I see some residents now are moving back into Union Township after raising their families in Peters Township & sending their kids to Peters Township School. This is good. I wish you could have been here sooner, but I wish you would recognize the improvements that this board has done, and that was my public comment.

Michalle Dupree – I would like to comment on that since that was directed to me. Supervisor Lawson said public comments are for the end. Michalle then replied that is fine you can address all your comments to me as you want I will wait till the end Mr. Lawson.

Executive Sessions:

Wednesday, January 20, 2021 (Litigation)
Thursday, January 21, 2021 (Litigation)
Wednesday, January 27, 2021 (Litigation)

Attorney Sweat – Unsure about the dates of these were the dates of the depositions, hearings with attorneys, the mandatory meetings, but that was when everyone was together for court supervised proceedings.

Supervisor Daerr wanted to make sure we announced that we have some exciting news and so proud to announce this. The Township residence needs to know we have been working very hard for the past several years on updating and getting the Township sewer closer to the 21st century. The Township has neglected to do that for the residents in the past decades. For that reason, we have been working vigorously and received numerous LSA Grants and among other grants every year since the year 2016. Friday the 22nd Engineer Jessica Stiner, myself and Supervisor Harold Breinig attending the virtual LSA grant hearing with the LSA board in Washington County. We are pleased to announce, overjoyed to announce, we received \$200,000 grant to assist us with Finley-Elrama Road so congratulations to the whole team.

Attorney Sweat: You do not just show up and ask for that money there was like \$75,000,000.00 worth of request and 71 participants. Sweat Law offices represents 6 different municipalities and 4 of those municipalities did not get anything, North Franklin who has major sewer issues and a moratorium on taps and they got \$100,000 and it had a good claim so for us to get \$200,000.00 for Union Township. I can tell you kudos to the staff and to Engineer Stiner because that is hard money to get. Good Job.

Supervisor Daerr – Engineer Stiner stated that there is an article that is in the paper and as soon as our website is available to the public tomorrow or Friday they can read for themselves. We have links to the article so again congratulations to everyone and more good news on that front

Engineer Stiner also spoke about the update for the sewer projects. You have to go through planning through DEP it is called Act 537 planning and after planning for design and permitting. We have been planning on this again threw another LSA grant from this board secured. They finally got that approval from DEP. We finally have the DEPs Act 537 for Finleyville -Elrama Road. We now have this grant money and next step is full steam ahead with design and permitting and I would love to start constructions this fall so that is our goal.

Attorney Sweat - once again Act 537 takes 2 to 3 years to get and you cannot do anything until you get that study done.

Chairperson Daerr – for working 3 sewer projects simultaneously, we have one completed on Overlook and on the second one for the Mingo our biggest one and we have news on that tonight so good news all around. I know the residents are excited.

Motion to approve Payroll 1/22/2021 in the amount of \$7,699.54 which consists of Administrative, 2 Road Crew and 1 Tax Collector.

Motion: Breinig

Second: Lawson

Roll Call: Daerr – yes Trax – yes Lawson – yes Breinig – yes Esken – yes

Motion Carried

Motion to approve minutes dated February 17, 2020 – Special Meeting – wherein only Ms. Daerr, Mr. Trax and Mr. Lawson can sign (this is a quorum of the Board for that meeting).

Motion: Trax

Second: Lawson

Roll Call: Daerr – yes Trax – yes Lawson – yes Breinig – abstain Esken – abstain

Motion Carried

Chairperson Daerr - This is a meeting that the Board was advised by a resident that this meeting was missing from the minute book and that they had reviewed them, and Supervisors Breinig and Esken were not with us at that time.

Attorney Sweat - For the record that we were in between Township secretaries when this meeting was held and James Donahue who was a planning administrator sat in to take the minutes that evening and that is the reason those minutes were never developed. Sarah Scott of my office (Sweat Law) and Ms. Singer were able to locate his notes and then compiled the minutes based upon his notes, So, we do not get a secretary certifying the notes because there is no secretary so these minutes will be signed individually by the three (3) supervisors who were in attendance that is how the February 17, 2020, minutes will be approved.

Motion to approve minutes dated May 13, 2020, Non-Legislative meeting wherein only Ms. Daerr and Mr. Trax can sign – Mr. Sweat to add statement regarding same. No quorum.

Motion: Daerr

Second: Trax

Roll Call: Daerr – yes Trax – yes Lawson – abstain Breinig – abstain

Esken – abstain

Motion Carried

Attorney Sweat – This is in the middle of Covid difficult to organize have meetings we did have a quorum to start the meeting Mr. Trax, Ms. Daerr and Mr. Lawson were present. Mr. Lawson became ill and had to leave the meeting and Mr. Massari was there as well. I have given the Board a couple of options on what could be done since it was taped. If the tape is still available, Mr. Lawson could listen to the tape and he could go ahead and vote to approve the minutes. If he chooses not to do that the approval will just be Mr. Trax and Mrs. Daerr and once again my statement would be included with those minutes and the two of you will sign those minutes and they will be inserted and that is the procedure on how to handle that. Those minutes will be as they are reflected as they were you cannot create a ghost.

Motion to approve minutes from January 13, 2021, Non-Legislative Meeting.

Motion: Daerr

Second: Breinig

Roll Call: Daerr – yes Trax – yes Lawson – yes Breinig – yes Esken – yes

Motion Carried

Unfinished Business

Board of Auditor position – 2 positions & 1 vacancy. Will be advertised continuously on the website.

Solicitor's Report – Mr. Sweat gave updated Solicitor's Report.

Mr. Sweat gave update on Tax collector There was information lacking as to compensation, benefits, rental price, overhead and what the Township will pay on behalf of the Tax Collector. Under the law, rent, postage, copy machines, telephones, etc. are all considered compensation for the Tax Collector. If there is going to be change in the compensation package, the board has to vote by February 15, with its resolution, establishing what the new compensation conditions will be and that would not take place until January of 2022. And I believe the policy behind the February 15 deadline is so anyone interested in running for office will know going in this is the package. I think one of the things that has concerned some of the board members is that your Township incurs all of the expenses for the tax collector they collect both the township and school tax and there is no contribution to the school district. I think as a general rule of every dollar of tax 15 cents would go to the Township and 85 cents would go to the school district. I think this board and members of this board have an issue with continuing to do that so that's one of the reasons I looked into it and had discussions with Mrs. Speer trying to get some definite numbers I'm instructing this board is going to take this position to the 15th or the next public schedule meeting which is February 10th another thing is that you need to consider is, is for the most part that office has been shut down because of Covid and we have tried to limit number of individuals that congregate in the foyer, standing outside the doors and that's extremely hard to do that. And all indications based on communication is that you turn the television on listen to I do not care if you like CNBC, or fox news whatever they are all saying that this restriction and the Covid problem will be well into the fall so we are looking to the balance of the year, has having to be very, very careful. Who knows it may care on until next year we do not know? You need to maintain the policy or discuss the policy will be relatively, keeping an office open and letting the public things that need to go into your consideration on what the proposal is going to be for the tax collectors' position for 2022. Sarah with my office if going to go over so of the issues of the Right to Know she has dealt with and I want her to briefly cover the status of the open right to know requests she has received I know there are a number of questions from Mrs. Dupree where voiced at the last meeting on certain minutes that you missing apparently I know that Sarah spent a couple hours of borrowed time here in this building looking threw each of the minute books making notes she will comment on what she found and also explain your position on any missing minutes that are there.

Attorney Scott – Right To Know February 17 minutes were already discussed and were approved this evening there was mention that Wednesday, May 27, 2020 which is a legislative meeting are not in the meeting book however they are not online and they have been approved December 1, 2020 and they are located in the Township minute book and as Mr. Sweat explained I have spent countless hours on working on here and at my office as well on researching the minute book and I saw with my own eyes they were there. Another meeting was Wednesday, July 22, 2020, a Legislative meeting they are in the township meeting book again they are not online they were approved on September 9, 2020, Friday July 24, 2020, was considered an executive session and executive sessions do not require meeting minutes nor do they require any sort of advertisement. Monday, August 31, 2020, was a special meeting minutes are in the Township book they are not online, but the special meeting was advertised and was also approved. There was another mention of Wednesday, September 9, 2020, non-legislative meeting they are in the Township book however as Mr. Lawson explained there have been some out of order they may or may not be upside down they are out of order however every single thing from the meeting book is actually in there for September 9 and again we discussed the May 13, 2020 meeting minutes and then I also just wanted to address the blank pages as well. So, I personally contacted PSAT and spoke with an attorney and the 2nd class council code is silent on whether meeting minute book pages are allowed to be blank we can insure in the future that we will not do something like that but again however there is no law there is no statute on blank pages it could have just been a printer error or a mistake on someone's part and again it was human error. So, we can adopt a policy and going forward we will try our best to make sure the meeting minutes are in order numbered and in there correctly. And as for the right-to-know request I would say most of them are satisfied we are still waiting on an appeal as was mentioned earlier in the meeting and I am working on finishing up on satisfying the right to know request to be delivered on time to the said requestors.

Attorney Sweat requested status on the website. Engineer Stiner -- no we do not really give reports on the legislative meeting we just do on the non-leg. Attorney Sweat -- for the public's sake tell them, it is going to be incredible website for the Township it is going to be so user friendly and I am really excited and I know that you have been working on that. Engineer Stiner -- we have been working closely with the website designers on a new website that is a little bit more streamlined little easier user friendly has more project information and we will have all the minutes and everything on it and that is going to be going live this week actually so they are finishing it up tonight and they will be launching it starting tomorrow the website will be down while they are launching it and they said I think they are going to start tomorrow afternoon so starting tomorrow afternoon the website will be down and hoping and then back up Friday morning so you should see the new website live by Friday afternoon and should have a lot more information on there and for what we have been up to all the projects going on all good stuff you have to look forward to for the coming year. And I will admit it the job should be organized on there and a little more user-friendly manner, so we are excited about the new website.

Motion to approve payment in the amount of \$14,120.00 to Back Roads Solutions for pay app #1 of the Pleasant Stream and Veterans Park Repair Project.

Motion: Lawson

Second: Daerr

Roll Call: Daerr – yes Trax – yes Lawson – yes Breinig – yes Esken – yes

Motion Carried

Motion to approve payment in the amount of \$19,595.00 to MacBracey for the foyer renovation project.

Motion: Lawson

Second: Trax

Roll Call: Daerr – yes Trax – yes Lawson – yes Breinig – yes Esken – yes

Motion Carried

Motion to approve payment in the amount of \$1,150.00 to MacBracey for repair of exit signs in the Township building.

Motion: Daerr

Second: Lawson

Roll Call: Daerr – yes Trax – yes Lawson – yes Breinig – yes Esken – yes

Motion Carried

Motion to approve payment in the amount of \$33,724.98 to Ten Mile Paving for pay app #2 of the 2020 Road Program.

Motion: Breinig

Second: Lawson

Roll Call: Daerr – yes Trax – yes Lawson – yes Breinig – yes Esken – yes

Motion Carried

Motion to approve payment in the amount of \$42,422.25 to M. O'Herron for pay app #4 for the Overlook Sewer Project in which \$21,344.80 will be paid directly to RACW and \$21,077.45 to be paid by PENNVEST loan through Union Township.

Motion: Breinig

Second: Lawson

Roll Call: Daerr – yes Trax – yes Lawson – yes Breinig – yes Esken – yes

Motion Carried

Motion to approve payment in the amount of \$12,925.00 J R contracting for the emergency drainage repair on Cardox Road for water trapped in curb near Phoenix Drive.

Motion: Lawson

Second: Esken

Roll Call: Daerr – yes Trax – yes Lawson – yes Breinig – yes Esken – yes

Motion Carried

Motion to approve ratification of phone vote taken on Thursday, January 14, 2021, for a Change Order #1 for the 2020 Drainage Improvement Program for \$4,258.00 for an

additional drainage pipe on 22 Mingo Circle Drive. Was for an emergency required another pipe. Attorney Sweat - if did not fix problem it would have cost even more if not made this decision.

Motion: Breinig

Second: Lawson

Roll Call: Daerr – yes Trax – yes Lawson – yes Breinig – yes Esken – yes

Motion Carried

Motion to approve payment of \$700.00 to Plavchak Construction for moving kitchenette in the Township Building.

Motion: Daerr

Second: Lawson

Roll Call: Daerr – yes Trax – yes Lawson – yes Breinig – yes Esken – yes

Motion Carried

Motion to ratify emergency purchase of two (2) back ties for the John Deere High lift.

Motion: Trax

Second: Esken

Roll Call: Daerr – yes Trax – yes Lawson – abstain Breinig – yes Esken – yes

Motion Carried

Motion to approve monthly payment of \$50.00 to Design Rules Everything for maintaining and updating the new Union Township website.

Motion: Trax

Second: Lawson

Roll Call: Daerr – yes Trax – yes Lawson – yes Breinig – yes Esken – yes

Motion Carried

Motion to approve advertising public hearing for February 24, 2021 @ 3:30 p.m. for Amendments to SALDO and Zoning Ordinance Application Submission Timelines

Motion: Daerr

Second: Trax

Roll Call: Daerr – yes Trax – yes Lawson – yes Breinig – yes Esken – yes

Motion Carried

Motion to approve advertising public hearing for February 24, 2021 @ 3:45 p.m. for Amendments to the Oil & Gas Well Ordinance

Motion: Daerr

Second: Trax

Roll Call: Daerr – yes Trax – yes Lawson – yes Breinig – yes Esken – yes

Motion Carried

Motion to approve Planning Department to review Ordinances relating to stream maintenance

Motion: Breinig

Second: Lawson

Roll Call: Daerr – yes Trax – yes Lawson – yes Breinig – yes Esken – yes
Motion Carried

Motion to approve appointment auditor Houston & Associates for the 2020 DCED Audit

Motion: Daerr
Second: Lawson
Roll Call: Daerr – yes Trax – yes Lawson – yes Breinig – yes Esken – yes
Motion Carried

Motion to approve reappointment of Frank Palermo/Palermo Kissinger Assoc. as Township CPA for recommendation purposes only.

Motion: Lawson
Second: Trax
Roll Call: Daerr – yes Trax – yes Lawson – yes Breinig – yes Esken – yes
Motion Carried

Motion to approve getting an appraisal of the 2-acre area on the Leco property to be used for Sewage Treatment Plant as part of Mingo Circle Act 537 Plan.

Motion: Lawson approve to rescinded to have Sweat Law pick an appraiser
Second: Breinig
Roll Call: Daerr - yes Trax - yes Lawson - yes Breinig - yes Esken – yes
Motion Carried to rescind

Attorney Sweat -- Direction of DEP to build. We chose the Banahasky property and a portion of it for the site of the packing plant DEP chose that and that will cause quite an uproar in the Banahasky family as they hired legal counsel & their attorney said can you look anywhere else. Can we consider anything else and that is what Engineer Stiner rolled up her sleeves again and talked with the DEP started doing some additional engineering and it was determined that we could move down the road to a location on the Leco farm. Leco farm is where the Garvin EQT drill pad is going to be constructed and built so he is dedicated the bulk of that farm to Quisit Commercial industrial use. Michael Cruny of my office contacted Mr. Leco and he has had a very positive conversations about what we want to do. I know that Jessica Stiner and Harshman have done a redesign and they identified that area that on the Leco farm to meet the need for the package plant it was also the need that we work with EQT to make sure we are not interfering with that we do not, and a location has been identified. Mr. Leco is willing to work with us. What he has said is what is your offer on the 2nd class Township ordinance that we have an appraisal before you can make an offer and your purchase price has to be pretty right on, on that appraised amount. So that is the purpose of this motion to authorize the securing of an appraisal so that an offer can be made to Mr. Leco. We need to pick an appraisal company for the Leco farm for the 2-acre parcel Mr. Sweats office will pick someone. Has to be a certified appraiser.

Motion to approve Sweat Law Offices to handle dissolution of the Police Pension Plan being held with PNC.

Motion: Daerr
Second: Breinig
Roll Call: Daerr – yes Trax – yes Lawson – yes Breinig – yes Esken – yes

Motion Carried

Attorney Sweat – For the record Union Township had a Police department many, many years ago and that police department basically was dissolved I believe in 1985 of part of the borrowing agreement between the Township and the police they had a pension plan and, it was 2004 by the way per Heather, basically this pension plans were funded in party by the Township but more importantly by state aid everybody comes up with their numbers every year the payroll the numbers of individuals that participate that summited to the state and then every Township gets a portion of the pension allocation for that year from the state now there has not been any state aid since 1985 sorry 2004 and I think the board chose to purchase a couple of annuities that pension amount and it's not an active of the Township over \$650,000.00 the actuary that Mockenhaupt and the monies are in deposit PNC bank the reason this has come up as an issue and I think going back even into that Frank Palermo brought this up at some point this account is just sitting nothing is happening nothing is being paid out and the most recent audit of pensions that happen every 3 years that was raised. What going to happen with this pension fund? And you have 1 of 3 options just dissolve the funds and give all the money to the state. The is to try to go back through all the records and determine how much the township put in that versus how much state aid came in and there would be the allocation. Put in 15% of that keep the 85 the thing that concerns Mockenhaupt is that you will always have continuing liability as long as there are potential beneficiaries to that policy and these pensions the liability can be expanded as legislation changes. Since this pension went into play the legislation has amended pension statue twice. And that expanded the responsibilities of the Township so the concern of Mockenhaupt if you give all the money back and there are still claimants potentially out there and the law changes let us say it went from police officer A only to include spouse is what happen the law could change to include his oldest child. That person would then be in the pipeline and if you part with all the money how do you pay the pension liability? That is what they are concerned with. I talked with the assistance auditor general I got the name of the department director that is in charge and negotiating these items & the board will be directing me to start the process of determining what we can do with that account. It is going to need to disappear in some fashion. And that is what we are going to start discussions with. Chairperson Daerr -- this may take months if not years to do, I would like to put this in the hands of a law firm to handle this because there are probably a lot of moving parts that my opinion.

Attorney Sweat – just so you know we are under no or state aid because it is just having it sit there to make clear we just said something needs to be done. We are not saying if you do not take care of you are not going to get your state aid for the other pension plans and they said quite honestly this will not start up again until our next 3-year audit until 2023 and we have until 2023 and I know the board wants to get this taken care of before that. Just so you know no one is holding a gun to our heads.

Discussion of closing PLGIT Accounts we have inherited about 7 from previous ministrations double digits.

Motion to approve closing of PLGIT Accounts 100.000 PLGIT Local Share Gaming Fund in the amount of \$140,673.36 and 100.001 Local Share Gaming – PLGIT

Reserve in the amount of \$71,948.08 totaling \$212,621.44. Said funds to be transferred to Brentwood Bank general fund as Brentwood is FDIC insured.

Motion: Daerr

Second: Lawson

Roll Call: Daerr – yes Trax – yes Lawson – yes Breinig – yes Esken – yes

Motion Carried

Motion to table discussion regarding 218 McChain Road drainage complaint.

Motion: Daerr

Second: Breinig

Roll Call: Daerr – yes Trax – yes Lawson – yes Breinig – yes Esken – yes

Motion Tabled

Discussion of Gun Club Road?

Motion to approve Harshman CE Group to obtain quotes for safety signage and guiderails at the hairpin curve on Gun Club Road.

Motion: Daerr

Second: Lawson

Roll Call: Daerr – yes Trax – yes Lawson – yes Breinig – yes Esken – yes

Motion Carried

Discussion regarding 2-way stop sign and line painting on Thompson and McChain Road. Jessica Stiner of Harshman Group get pricing and legging on signs and line painting for safety measures. More explanation?

Motion to approve 2-way stop sign and line painting on Thompson and McChain Road.

Motion: Daerr

Second: Lawson

Roll Call: Daerr – yes Trax – yes Lawson – yes Breinig – yes Esken – yes

Motion Carried

Discussion regarding RAYSA and soccer field use at Veterans Memorial Park beginning in March of 2021. RAYSA to work with Sweat Law Office on modifying lease and signing waiver. Also possibly waiving rent for the year.

Motion to approve Sweat Law Offices to work with RAYSA regarding soccer field use at Veterans Memorial Park this spring.

Motion: Breinig

Second: Lawson

Roll Call: Daerr – yes Trax – yes Lawson – yes Breinig – yes Esken – yes

Motion Carried

Attorney Sweat made statement about roadmasters rate and wanted to advise if Hal Roadmaster/Supervisor should have to punch in timeclock he stated ok to just keep

track of his time. Supervisor Lawson -- previous roadmasters did not take pay for this job to date.

Motion to approve Bill Pay List in the amount of \$60,625.25

Motion: Daerr

Second: Trax

Roll Call: Daerr – yes Trax – yes Lawson – yes Breinig – yes Esken – yes

Motion Carried

No Correspondence

PUBLIC COMMENT

George Powell – Finleyville – Elrama Road – Regarding McChain Road. Are you are talking about putting stop sign on McChain Road and Thompson Road? Should you have one both ways? We had roadmasters paid in the past who worked up to ten hours just to make extra money and they got paid big money doing it we had multiply roadmasters.

Nikki Cox– I just want to say based on the beginning of the meeting that no matter what battle you guys are fighting people you dislike, please keep my life where I go to school and where I live out of it please. I am not trying to be rude about it but keep me out of it as I am not a part of it and I am not fighting any battle.

Michalle Dupree – 6178 State Route 88 – so as far as the meeting minutes back in July I asked if you guys were approving meeting minutes and I asked could you be putting them online soon and Mr. Sweat said that's merely a curtesy they would not like to extend it at this moment so I put in a right to know request to see the meeting minutes because like I asked if they were going to be online so no big deal so I asked so look at the book and I did come down and took pictures of the book and there is more than just blank pages. There were agendas in the book there were missing meeting minutes in the book so I made a request for the meeting minutes and it was said that it has not been adopted yet because some were months and months and months old and was told that I was not entitled to those draft meeting minutes and that after I proved that I was allowed to see a draft meeting minutes filed appeals with the state that it didn't have to be you guys spend a lot of taxpayer money on denying meeting minutes it's just you can say what you want of where ever I raise my children whatever so one meeting minutes that I could not find was May 13 so I asked a recording of that and the reason I asked for a recording of that is the planning commission meeting minutes that you failed to put online or even in a book that they are not approved until November the meeting of the planning commission of May 13 drags on mysteriously 12 minutes past time that the supervisor meeting started so I thought how could that be happen you know like how can the planning commission which has similar people on it somehow end 12 minutes after ya'll are having a supervisors meeting now when the planning commission meeting on the 13th there were expenditures made. There is not a quorum of planning commission people there but the non-legislative board that they are in expenditures and its very curious to me so I just asked for more information now we are now hired an attorney to answer right-to-knows again a lot of money for secretarial kind a job but right

now I ask for the recording I've been told that once now I'm not entitled to recordings due to case law and then now the position of that has now changed and there is no recordings. But it really would not been to go then May 13 you can pat yourselves on the back see the meeting minute book is not a mess just to prove meeting minutes from February there a year old. I mean they are reflection of what is happening with the taxpayers' dollars.

Supervisor Lawson - So you are implying that because they were not in the book or approved that they are not legal minutes that we are making up stuff? This is where I take offense, Michalle interrupts and says no and to answer your question, and then you can attack me some more Mr. Lawson to answer your question I did not say there were not legal I said that people can't know what's going on if there isn't any meeting minutes online or in the book and it should not be an investigation I did not say they are not legal I said they were not available.

Supervisor Lawson – I think we did put everything in the book for you.

Michalle -- you just approved February of last year and Supervisor Lawson -- we will never satisfy you. Michalle - There is meeting minutes from the end of 2019 that ya'll have yet to approve.

Supervisor Breinig -- calls Michalle and says I can see your frustration and I put in a request back to the old board and \$120,000.00 that has walked out of this township guess what the minutes disappeared from the old book they disappeared. You talk about frustration I got people try to criticize us sorry I had to get this off my chest. Chairperson Daerr -- then tries to break up this is public comment. Heather, Michalle and Hal are all talking over each other. Supervisor Breinig -- I know your frustration and we are catching it from all ends, and I have been on this board since September, and I can honestly say I do not see anything wrong and has not been anything wrong you know page may be missing here or might be misplaced somewhere it is in the book somewhere. Rick if you look in the book there are no pages missing. Supervisor Breinig I am not looking in the book but what I am saying is then Michalle says but there are agendas in there. Chairperson Daerr -- ok any other public comments.

Kevin Daerr – 6187 Route 88 – First off – Mr. Lawson never mentioned anybody by name, so I do not know what that was all about. Number 2 - Hal I believe you deserve that money. You are down here working for its precedence was set does not matter if you old does not matter what you are if you are down here working you are entitled to the money. And the board of auditors and it is allowed by law I believe you should take the money the other thing is, I know you guys get discourage. Do not get discouraged. You guys are doing really good work. Just the sewage that we are getting done. You talk about the LSA Grants I have been sitting in this audience for a long time. There where prior members of the board that said the LSA grant process was a big waste of time. Do not bother going we never get anything. And I want to thank you guys for being tenacious and fighting for the Union Township people who deserve those sewage projects it was not just this \$200,000.00 grant it was other grants you guys got prior years to get these projects to go on. So, do not get discouraged. You guys did Trax Road. That was a big safety issue. Mr. Spahr made it clear letter from an attorney

you guys made that happen. You guys Pleasant View I understand you guys, plans for Pleasant View. School bus has not been on that road since 1968. And a guy in here talked about it, you guys are going to make that happen. And I cannot wait to sit in this audience on the meeting night when you guys tell us our first school bus went down Pleasant View Road. That is coming. Do you know how I know? You guys get it done. You guys make things happen in Union Township for the taxpayers. Do not get discouraged. This is a small, small group of people that you will never make happy. And it is just not you guys it happens in all professions in my professions as a policeman I knew going in there is not going to be a small group of people that is just not going to like anything you do. But do not get discouraged. You guys keep fighting for the good people and keep making good decisions and fighting for the people of Union Township. We have a lot of things going on in the United States and different cities that have problems Union Township is a very small scale of it and not to the extreme, but you know we have some people of who post things on Facebook bad stuff about the board bad stuff about the township. Couple people who do not live in the Township. Agitators who roil people up that is not binding people together in Union Township. That is not. We need to to bond together and make Union Township better. Do not get discouraged. Its good stuff that you are doing. Keep doing what you are doing. Very professional board. All your professionals very, very professional is what you do. Now what they are doing. Just keep doing what you are doing. Union Township people appreciate it. Thank you.

George Powell – quick comment Mr. Daerr is wrong school buses 100 % wrong no buses since 1968 my mother is 89 years old and there has never been a school bus run down that road. There is a turnaround down there and that is still Ringgold School.

Chairperson Daerr -- quick comment I respect all residence even if they do not this board everyone has a right & freedom to speak candidly and make comments that is the America way and we are big boys and girls we can take it good and the bad and we must take it that's part of the political process. I do want to say for the record there are years that I sat in the audience before I ran for a public office never in politics and I have seen bad things happening in Union Township I have seen disorganization disarray I have seen a lot of non-productivity which is why I choosing to sit here today I saw a period in 2004 the Township went completely broke. It was never disclosed there was no official report or audits done and still remains a mystery today. We were nearly broke in this Township and the areas of in the beginnings of the 2000s until close to 2006. In fact, next meeting I would like to go on the screen for the public and I would like to also put it on the website the dced snapshot of the 2000 up until the days were this Township has come from as far as finances. Those are the things to me that are noteworthy. I few missing not even missing a few blank pages in between sets of minutes. Our staff is doing a wonderful job because of Covid we have the lowest number of staff that we have had in the Township for a long, long time and despite that obstacle our Secretary/Treasurer is doing an amusing job and holding the fort down. And I would like to commend you Ms. Singer you are human you make human errors we all do I would like to commend you and I am just looking forward to 2021. Thanks very much. Ms. Singer responds thank you.

Supervisor Lawson -- the other night when I was cooking dinner or I was waiting for it to be made I was on the computer there is 5 sets of bleachers sorry 6 sets of 5 tier aluminum bleachers for sale and there in Glenshaw right now that are at \$700 I would like to make a motion to receive those since Jess is let her put an eyeball on these and I would not want to pay more than 50% of new you can buy 1 set or you can buy all 6 sets right now there is they are at \$700.00. The problem is not bidding its over February 2, 2021. I just thought for the new park it would be a if its economical that is sounds reasonable set a bleachers for me. But I am just a dumb dirt digger.

Chairperson Daerr -- The board would have to give Jessica Stiner of Harshman CE Group the option to bid get on the mesa bid enter into the bid system. Jess how do you feel about that? Engineer Stiner -- I think what he is asking for I would have to look at them and give you a cost on what they would be new and then what Ms. Singer does and Rick we actually put the bid in we I would either one puts the bid in on the mesa bid but I could let you know what the new ones so you could put the bid in I guessing most bid sits put in your max bid you would pay and if it ends up under that you would go for it and if it's over that we would not go for it. So, if you want to give me a percentage under 50% we don't you would think it was worth it used versus new then I could put estimate on where I think it was new get that number to Ms. Singer or whoever is doing the mesa bid and then you guys put that bid in but you motioning essentially to go for this as long as it doesn't percentage of new. Supervisor Lawson -- do we think they are worth 50% of new? Engineer Stiner -- I have not seen them. Supervisor Lawson -- if you can buy them for 50% we are going to need bleachers. Engineer Stiner -- yes. Supervisor Lawson -- they are straight they are aluminum if we can buy them for 50% I think we should do it you have to do the leg work to find out if they are worth it what they are worth and with my flip phone I cannot bid on them give to Ms. Singer or someone job to do it. Engineer Stiner-- yes and you wonder why I ask you if you want me to print your email. Chairperson Daerr -- the board could consider this the board would have to get a plan to see how many we would need there is more work to be done. Supervisor Breinig -- we will need bleachers. Engineer Stiner -- we could use all six. Supervisor Lawson -- it says you do not have to take all 6 it says 1 or 6. Hal said take all 6. Supervisor Daerr -- ok then we will have to consider doing a motion and authorize Ms. Singer to make a mesa bid or not make a mesa bid because February 2 we are not meeting again. Put bid in. Jess can the motion put in be x percentage of bid does not have to be exact number because I do not know what a number to put on. Attorney Sweat -- it could be 30% or 40% is what I heard of the specks that is recommended by the once she looks at pricing a new can be retried. You can authorize who does the be say ok you say \$5000 dollars go up to \$1000 ok Engineer Stiner -- so you want to do 50% whatever you want to motion we can make it happen. Supervisor Lawson -- I do not think you can go wrong at 50%. Engineer Stiner -- I agree. Supervisor Lawson -- it is not far to get them it is not like you are going across the state. Let us go for 50% who and buy all 6 bleachers. I want to authorize Jessica Stiner of Harshman CE Group to put a price tag on which she can find online for new ones and Ms. Singer to bid 50% of that new price for 6 bleachers for the mesa bid and I will leave the information here. Attorney Sweat -- not to exceed 50%. Supervisor Lawson -- whatever you can get it for. Chairperson Daerr -- we should have a number not to exceed you do not want to multiply 7 bleachers 7 sets. Engineer Stiner -- she does not have that number.

Kevin Daerr – 6187 Route 88, Finleyville, PA - This is exactly what I am talking about. Here is a guy who is sitting at home who should be watching tv and could be doing anything other than thinking about this Township and how to save money. Could have been doing anything other than that but his dedication for this Township, the people of this Township and all you guys. Heather, I see you do it in our house.

Attorney Sweat - I can attest to that as I get emails at 6 in the morning.

Kevin Daerr - Here we have Rick Lawson trying to find ways, wracking his brain to find ways to save money and to give our residents a new field and nice stuff. It not just the bleachers either. It was a pipe cleaning machine and a sewer machine. He is constantly producing ideas in this Township to save money and to give the residents of Union Township a better place to live. I have gotten up here before and you can beat a dead horse and I have said what I said but there is a perfect example could not have been more on time where this guy, on his own time, thinking about the township 24 hours a day. That is a good supervisor.

Supervisor Breinig - This last big snow fall, the Road Crew did a great job and busted their butts. We have gotten a lot of comments for their job well done.

Motion to Adjourn @ 6:30 p.m.

Motion: Daerr

Second: Trax

Roll Call: Daerr – yes Trax – yes Lawson – yes Breinig – yes Esken - yes

Motion Carried



ROBERTA J. SINGER, Secretary