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Supervisors  
Charles Clukey Jr. Chairman  
Terry Neff Sr.  
Brandon Coleman

**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**  
**February 6, 2023**

**Supervisors present:** Charles Clukey Jr., Terry Neff Sr., Brandon Coleman  
Charles Clukey Jr. called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm following the reorganization meeting.

**Secretary Minutes:**

**Brandon Coleman made motion to accept minutes.**  
**Seconded by Terry Neff Sr. All approved.**

**Treasurer's Report:**

Balance in General Fund	\$180,208.23
Balance in General Money Market	\$296,091.81
Balance in Sewer Fund	\$107,754.59
Balance in Sewer Money Market	\$236,191.63
Balance in State Fund	\$ 31,925.76

**Brandon Coleman. made motion to accept Treasurer's report.**  
**Seconded by Terry Neff Sr. All approved.**

**Hearing of Visitors: none**

**Citizen Input:**

Doug D'Amore: Discussed the spraying of Gypsy Moth. Cost would be around \$65.00 per acre. Will spray with helicopter. What Doug asked is if Secretary could collect all money. Also need to send out letters. Spraying maybe will be around May 15-25<sup>th</sup>.  
Brandon Coleman said that we could put on facebook and see if we can get more people involved. Brandon asked Doug if he would help with this and Doug replied yes.  
Doug said that the company wants to make a contract between them and Triple F.

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### Citizen Input:

Brandon Coleman said that he has to check with Paul Ryan and see what his input is on the Spraying.

Judy Courter reported that there are still voting signs up.

### Correspondence and other Communications:

None

### Report of Officials and Committees:

A. 1. Charles Clukey Jr. Read sewer report

2. Terry Neff Sr-

a. Terry asked about the coal. Charley said he told Susan to Order 3 ton.

b. Terry reported that they tried to fill up the court and it leaked out so maybe next year we can fix it to hold water.

3. Brandon Coleman-

a. working on the Storm sewers on Quiggle Ave and down size drain pipe from 18" to 12" pipe.

b. Brandon reported on 2 quotes one is Bobby Toner and Ron Myers. Ron Myers was low bidder of \$1040.00.

**Brandon Coleman made motion to hire Ron Myers to put in drain pipes in driveways.**

**Seconded by Terry Neff Sr. All approved.**

c. Fire co. donation: Brandon said last two years we have been purchasing equipment for the fire company and I was talking to Brandon Myers and he said that they need new 5" hoses for the new truck they are buying. Brandon stated that Supervisors need to have talk with Fire Company as there are a lot of grants and they are not trying to get them. Terry Neff said that he thinks we should give Fire Co. 15,000.00.

**Terry Neff Sr. made motion to donate \$15,000.00 for hoses for Fire Company.**

**Seconded by Brandon Coleman. All approved.**

d. Susan received e-mail from ARPA small water and sewer grant and Brandon said it is for a sewer project we want to do on McElhattan Avenue down by the Fire Station and it looked very promising for Township. There are a few things she wanted us to do 1. Renew our Sam's number 2. Asked if could wait until September to bid this out, 3. realigned some of the numbers Steve Gibson and Brandon put in the report and all looked ok. So we might be getting around \$174,830.00.

f. We ordered a new T-tag because it takes 14-18 months to get one, so we placed or for a new Ford F600 with all equipment we are going to finance it like we are doing with the other truck.

We ordered a lap top so that Supervisors and others can use and will put it in meeting room.

Charles Clukey Jr said we are getting new electrical boxes put in so that will be this week.

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B. Auditors-Kristy Sellers, Mary Margaret Winton and Bonnie Poorman: We had our reorganization meeting and Mary Margaret had copy of the minutes if anyone wanted Her to read them.

C. Engineer-Charles Clukey Jr. said that he was checking on engineers as Steve Gibson went to County Commissioners. Charles has a copy that are going to get back to him.

D. Code Officer- The burning at 400 Nittany Road Jeremy said he talked to him and gave him a stop burning order. Second time that he talked to him he said he wasn't burning and Jeremy said that we have pictures but Jeremy hasn't seen the pictures but after he gets the pictures then he can proceed. Resident said that it looked like he is being harassed. After he gets pictures then he will proceed.

Working with Paul Ryan on Vehicle cleanup and nuisance it's not only going to be the owner by also the tenant that lives there the get the papers.

Dog barking issue. Putting our letters and do you want me to put it on facebook. Brandon answered yes if it is ok with the other two Supervisors. It was ok. Brandon stated that the Mill Hall Police was called out multiple times for the barking of Dogs.

E. Zoning Officer-Jeremy Kreiser –2 Permits for Solar Panels. One on Quiggle Ave and one for Verizon up at towers.

The person going to buy the 285 acres he said that he wanted to buy it for his future family. Working with Mark on cleaning up his property it is a slow process but we are making some progress.

Working with Roger Hoy on Thor Glenn property. Roger is going to write a letter and give to me and I will take it to Paul Ryan. Thor is not following Roger's inspection list. This is probably going to court.

F. Police Office Report: Brandon Read report. Told residents to if anyone comes around make sure you pay with a check not cash as they get the money and don't come back.

G. Planning Committee: Discussion on different properties in township,

L. Recreation Committee: Mary Pat Dion was working on get DCNR grant. Committee is currently working on revitalize Harvey's Run Park. Allow ADA compliant access though out the park and ADA equipment. Adding ground cover and plants and Trees. Have a form to be filled out has a few questions.

Also need an engineer to come to the park as we need some guidance. Brandon said that he will call Steve Gibson and ask him if he can help.

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We would like to use some of the money to put up directional signs so people can find the park. Maybe a sign for rail for trails.

Brandon Coleman asked Rick if he could check on the sign for the Fire Company the Township agreed to pay for it. While you are checking that see about having a sign for the park made also.

Brandon ask Rick if he could get a banner made like he had for Christmas and we can hang on our sign,

Rick asked about the Web site. Brandon said he will call Keith.

Rick ask about Fireworks for Castanea Days. It is between 12-14,000.00 and thought maybe could get some donations.

Rick asked what day for Castanea Yard Sale. 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of July 15<sup>th</sup>.

### Old Business:

#### 1. Consideration for Zoning Amendment:

Brandon said this is the hearing we had with Paul Ryan and we had conversation with Paul and being able to enforce some of the things under codes.

Brandon Coleman made motion to amend and remove Boats and RV's Section.

Seconded by Terry Neff Sr. All approved.

2. Letter from Mike at Crissman plant- Charley read letter and of tractor trailers access on Bridge St. We are trying to get grants to fix the bridge. Charley call and asked Mike if he will try to bring smaller trucks. Charles said he call DEP and talked to several people and they said he is OK to be open.

### New Business:

1. Clinton Tax Committee: John Gradel and Rick Schultze said that they will not be on the committee. Asked residents if anyone at meeting wanted on committee.

**Table** and put out on facebook see if we can find someone.

2. Approve to put 2023 paving project out for bid.

**Brandon Coleman made motion to put out bid to receive by March 3rd by end of day and open on March 6<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm.**

**Seconded by Terry Neff SR. All approved**

3. Josh Haggen 90 Probation

**Charles Clukey Jr. accepted Joshua Haagen to be full time employee,**

**Seconded by Terry Neff Sr.**

**No from Brandon Coleman**

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### **New Business Continued:**

4. Upgrade electrical boxes.

**Brandon Coleman made motion to upgrade the 2 electrical boxes.**

**Seconded by Terry Neff SR. All approved.**

5. Summer recreation program support:

Keystone Central School Dist. last year we donated \$900.00.

**Brandon Coleman made motion to donate \$900.00.**

**Seconded by Terry Neff Sr. All approved.**

### **Review and Pay Bills:**

**Brandon Coleman made motion to pay the bills**

**Seconded by Terry Neff Sr. All approved.**

**Charles Clukey Jr. adjourned the meeting**

**Meeting was closed at 8:30pm**

**Attest: Susan Heaton**

**Secretary/Treasurer**