

CASTANEA TOWNSHIP  
347 NITTANY ROAD  
LOCK HAVEN PA 17745

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

**Special Meeting August 21, 2023**

**Supervisors present:** Charles Clukey Jr., Terry Neff Sr., Brandon Coleman

Charles Clukey Jr. called the Special Meeting to order at 7:00pm

**Tom Levine**

1. Tom Levine reported on what was sewer lines cleaned and the machine broke and when it is repaired then Brian will call him.

2. Reported on the sanitary sewer for McElhattan and Mackey Avenues. Tom Reported this is what the guy at McTish gave to me and wanted to make sure that this is what we are talking about. Brandon said that they were supposed to do contract documents which they must not have done. The documents will need sign and we need to get it started because the awards will be end of August or September. Tom said he can work on the bids now that he knows what we are talking about. Tom will have a better report when Tom attends the next meeting.

3 .We have a request from the trailer park that is sanitary sewer related. Tom said he has one of the copies and your solicitor thinks that I should be involved with this because he told her to contact our Engineer. Tom asked if the supervisors wanted him to look at all of that before they send it in or have Susan do it

Charles Clukey Jr. stated that they moved 3 trailer out of there and all we asked them was to give us written permission to go onto the property 200 E. Keller to video up stream to end of lines before they set the trailers on the lots.

Brandon said first it is a private system and we asked them to give us proof by writing that they have no infiltration.

Charles said we did not receive any letter from them. Brandon said that Tom Levine should be involved. Tom said he will get in touch with Susan and come down and look at the documents and we can go from there.

**Hearing of Visitors-none**

**Citizen input-None**

**Chestnut Grove-** Jim Russo said he was asked to come to meeting concerning Chestnut Park agreement. Give us an agreement we are willing to pay.

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### **Chestnut Grove Continued;**

Brandon Coleman reported that he talked to Mary Margaret Winton and ask her if there was any kind of agreement and she said no and she wanted to know if Brandon could put together some kind of agreement so Brandon got on together and sent out to other Supervisors to review and decide what we want to do and we were having this work session and thought you could give us update what is going on with Chestnut Grove as a lot of people are asking questions.

Jim Russo reported we had to get permits and after 4 1/2 years we had Army Corp , Historical Society wanted to do another dig. Then 2020 COVID hit the gov. went out. DCNR gave us a \$300,000.00 grant so we had to redesign the entire park and new specs on it. McTish was doing that for us but they were bought out. We got everything underground and is complete except for Electrical. The landfill did about half million dollars groundwork, storm sewers are in place, sanitary, storm pause and catch basins are in place. Rick Bowman has contract for civil work and Turnkey Electrical has contract for the electric for 3 fields at the East Park includes fencing, back stops, grading ADA area and pavilion area. We were over \$400,000.00 over the budget and the contractor came to us. Mary Margaret Winton said that the low bidder bail out so we had to request from DCNR a change order which that took time to get it back and we got the approval about three weeks ago. The county was great they gave us some \$80,000. In for the engineering and Steve Gibson is still on board. Within the next month you will see activity with Turnkey and Bowman on sight. Our intension is baseball in the spring of next year and we have a gentleman in Howard who runs International baseball tournaments all over East coast part of the board and we are getting him on board to market our fields. The only intentions is for tournaments to come into the area so if the City of Lock Haven is letting us use their fields and Flemington and Beech Creek and everyone gets paid. Castanea has been a big part of this and so what do you want from us ,we need to Maintain the fields and we would rather pay Castanea Township then pay John doe lawn service to come in and mow the grass If you have a maintaine crew document the hours and we will pay you. We will have portable food services and we will put in porta potties until we can generate enough money to build the restrooms. Received some donations and will give a list when we get up and operational The project on this East side will be around \$600,000.00. We already have purchases dugouts, benches. Within three weeks you will see Turnkey and Bowman down there working.

Brandon Coleman gave Jim a copy of Agreement and explained what the agreement was about and Jim said he will get it sent to everyone and see if the agreement is ok and get it back to us. Jim replied that we said we would rather pay Castanea Township maintenance guys or we will have to get a mowing service to come in and do it. Jim said that sometimes the league guys will come in and mow. Brandon said that would be ok. Discussed the agreement and removed some items and will rewrite the agreement and sign and call Jim and have him pickup agreement and review.

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### **Chestnut Grove Continued;**

**Brandon Coleman made motion with Chestnut Grove to make corrections as noted to agreement to remove volunteers and make it Castanea Township Employees and Township will be reimburse for doing mowing of the East End fields and approve it upon contention of the corrections.**

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

Question was asked if the Township will have the time and the man power to do the mowing. Noticed the Bald Eagle trail has not been getting attention and wanted to know will township have the time.

Terry Neff Sr said that we are in the progress of hiring a full time employee.

Brandon said that if someone wants the job just to mow the Ballfields we can find someone.

### **Municipibid of Equipment:**

1. Flail Mower \$ 580.00
2. Weight box \$ 160.00
3. Drag Plow \$1807.00

**Brandon Coleman made motion to sell all three pieces of Equipment to highest bidder.**

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

### **Bid for Tree Service:**

Charles Clukey Jr. opened the bid for tree trimming.

Left messages for Saar no bid too busy

Called Loffredo no response.

Bid from Busy Beaver LLC was 17,450.00

Brandon Coleman asked Charles if he could call Patriot tree trimmers. Charles said that we already opened the bid. Brandon said that we don't accept it as he thinks it is too much money.

Charles said that he could call Patriot.

**Brandon Coleman made motion to table until next meeting.**

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

Brandon Coleman reported that Engel will be cutting the opening for the garage door at the storage shed and Bufflo valley will be coming in the first week of September to set the garage door in.

Side walks Myers accepted the job already called in the PA1 call it will be this week or next week he will start.

Terry Neff Sr. asked when are they going to start the bridge. Brandon said they are still trying to figure out the uneven level so they are trying to figure out how to build it.

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Recreation Committee:

Christine Nestlerode: Reported on Halloween Parade will be October 24<sup>th</sup> and we will be meeting on this Thursday and November 24 is tree lighting.

Hawbaker will be coming in on to do milling and Friday will scratch coat and Tuesday they will be done. Hawbaker is going to put door knockers on everyone doors.

Asked Bill Powell asked about his driveway, every time there is a storm I get a lot of water in my driveway, Supervisors asked if they could fix that.

Brandon explained that they will be putting curb in and don't think that Bill will have anymore problems Brandon ask Bill if his daughter wanted a drive way put in to let us know or Bill could put some paint on the road where she wants the drive put in.

Meeting adjourn at 7:45.

Attest

Susan Heaton