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

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
September 11, 2023

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

Secretary Minutes:

Terry Neff Sr. Made motion to accept minutes.

Seconded by Brandon Coleman All approved.

Special Minutes meeting:

Brandon Coleman made motion to accept minutes

Seconded by Terry Neff Sr. All approved

Treasurer's Report:

Balance in JSSB General Fund	\$ 1,855.57
Balance in FNB General Fund	\$ 59,358.07
Balance in FNB General Money Market	\$301,854.61
Balance in JSSB Sewer Fund	\$ 6,000.00
Balance in FNB Sewer Fund	\$ 166,841.95
Balance in FNB Sewer Money Market	\$244,537.15
Balance in State Fund	\$ 74,011.00

Brandon Coleman made motion to accept Treasurer's report.

Seconded by Terry Neff Sr. All approved.

Hearing of Visitors:

1. Beth Riccardo: Beth reported on Township Insurance and explained to Supervisors Why youth workers age 14 and 15 the department says what they are not permitted to operate any equipment. They are allowed to push a mower and use a weed eater. What you wanted to know if a minors is able to drive equipment on the road and the labor act said NO. If you violate the law the insurance company will not pay and will their will be no coverage. You can hire them but there are certain things that they can and cannot do.

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Brandon asked what are the ages to run a tractor Beth said the law said 18. The guide lines is ages between 23-75 years old. Brandon asked if Beth could give him that in writing and Beth said no as that is their guide lines because the insurance company feels that anyone between those ages are less likely to have an accident.

### Citizen Input:

1. Judy Courter: Muddy water running down in front of our house. Charles Clukey Jr said that was all the top soil that was just put in and washed out. The stones on the road were deep so Judy's son went out and scooped them up because of the motor Cycles on the road. Judy reported she has a list and one is the weed around the school. Charles said that he has a list also.

2. Joe Miller asked if they can put cold patch down for a speed bump. Jared Hardy reported that when they get past that speed bump they go 50 miles an hour past his house.

Charles Clukey Jr. said that we might be buying more speed bump.

Paul Vance asked Charles about the pictures on his phone and called Paul Ryan and waiting to see about the new code officer. Paul asked did you see those bags of garbage and the mattress and couch out back that stinks really bad.

Paul said they have 4 people living in that

Charles said there is a place down on Allison St that has garbage piled up out back.

Paul asked Charles what he has to say. Charles said that these young people just don't care.

Paul said that you need to get the limit on the amount of dogs.

John Gradel said that he has a message from Beth Bitner put on Facebook that she wanted to know about lot 30 that burnt and the smell is bad. Charles Clukey Jr said that he has that on his list for the code officer.

### Communications:

Charles Clukey Jr. read letter from VFW on Oct 1, 2023 will be having a 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary memorial run and are requesting the use of Lower Creek Road between 9am to 1pm.

We will drop off barricades and they will set them up and take back down.

Agreement with Chestnut Grove for Mowing. Brandon Coleman has worked on the agreement and now that it is where it is ok.

Charles Clukey Jr. read the Agreement and Supervisors signed the agreement and will be sent to Jim Russo for approval.

### Report of Officials and Committees:

A. 1. Charles Clukey Jr. Read sewer report

2. Terry Neff Sr. Did we do State Contract for salt? Susan said that we do that in March.

3. Brandon Coleman Reported that the Garage door is put in at the metal building on Pine Street. Now we need to put 6x6 floor boards need dug out and don't know who you want to do it. Sidewalk project on Hanna Street is completed.

Brandon asked what is going to be done with the pipe at Condors residents. Brandon suggest to dig the ends out and get rid of 2B stones that should not have been put in there and put in head walls and back fill with sub-base and pack it so it is tight. Do you want to buy head wall or do you want to pore it. Charles said he will check it out tomorrow.

Brandon also said that we need to do something about the parking lot outside the building. Brandon said he already fixed it up twice in last month and washed back out, that is why he suggested we put a pipe up above.

Brandon reported on the fireworks that was set off it was all over facebook. Terry Neff Sr. ask where was it at and Brandon told him the Castanea picnic grounds. Brandon said the Airport didn't know anything about it. Don't know what you want to do. Brandon will makeup proposal together about setting off firework ordinance to get a permit before they can set off fireworks. Not allow to set off within 150 feet on anyone property. I will bring to the meeting to review.

Charles said that Hawbaker's finished up the road and it was back filled with topsoil and we got the storm and washed a lot of the top soil out.

B. Auditors-Kristy Sellers, Mary Margaret Winton and Bonnie Poorman: nothing

C. Engineer-Tom Levine not present

D. Code Officer-no code officer

E. Zoning Officer- Read by Charles Clukey Jr. 2 zoning permits. Application for First Quality roof. Have other applications for various project

F. Police Office Report: Brandon Read report.

G. Planning Committee: Joe Miller reported he was locked out of the township building when we came down as not open came and opened the door.

Joe reported on subdivision of property on Burriss Road from Mr. Shipman to his son. Brandon Coleman made motion to approve the Subdivision of Mr. Shipman property. Seconded by Terry Neff Sr. All approved.

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H. Recreation Committee: Rick asked if we know anything about the web site  
Brandon Coleman said that it is up and running all Keith has to do is turn it on.  
Rick reported that they have two events coming up one is the Halloween parade on Sunday  
Oct 29 at 4:00 pm and the tree lighting will be Friday Nov. 24 at 6pm.  
Paul Vance said that he and Kim would donate a tree. Asked what size did they want. He  
said he will get a 12 ft tree.  
Charles Clukey Jr. asked when are we putting up the swag and lights. Brandon said that it  
would be the week before.

### Old Business:

1. Quotes for day light tree trimming.-We only have one quote. Brandon said that he has  
one from Patriot which is much lower than the first quote.  
Brandon told Charles and Terry that if any purchases and contracts below \$12,200 require  
no formal bidding or written/telephonic quotes. Between 12,200 and \$22,500 require three  
written/telephonic quotes. Brandon said my quote falls under not  
Brandon said the quote I just handed you is only \$6000.00 and the quote from Busy Beaver  
is \$17,450.00 that is Patriot is almost a third lower and with Patriot price includes the 4  
trees outside this building.  
Charles Clukey Jr. said he also contacted Saar and he said he was too busy and contacted  
Loffredo tree and said it would be after Christmas before they could do it.  
Charles Clukey Jr. said since we open this quote from Busy Beaver and already told  
everyone what it was Charles thinks we should table it until next year. Brandon Coleman  
said we don't do that, the quote Brandon got is a third less than that one from Busy Beaver.  
Asked if they gave us their papers yet and said no. Brandon said that you don't need to take  
the first one we can look for lower prices.  
Charles Clukey Jr. made motion to accept Patriot quote for \$6000.00 to cut trees.  
Seconded by Terry Neff Sr. All approved.

### 2. Consider full Time employee:

Terry Neff Sr. reported that we need a full time employee.  
Look over job applications but Brandon said I don't see hiring a full time to cut grass and  
weed eating, Supervisors will look over applications after meeting.

### New Business:

#### 1. Resignation of Code Officer Gilbert Stull:

Brandon Coleman made motion to accept resignation from Gilbert Stull.  
Seconded by Terry Neff Sr. All approved.

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New Business continued:

2. Hiring of Code Officer Donald Tressler:

Brandon Coleman made motion to approve the Hiring of Donald Tressler as Code Officer.

Seconded by Charles Clukey Jr. All Approved.

3. Sewer Payments:

Brandon Coleman approved the exact amount of cash for payment. Can use money order or check.

Seconded by Terry Neff Sr. All approved.

Review and Pay Bills:

Terry Neff Sr. made motion to pay bills.

Seconded by Charles Clukey Jr.

Brandon Coleman abstain for motion

Supervisor will go into executive meeting.

Charles Clukey Jr. Adjourned the meeting

Seconded by Brandon Coleman

Meeting was closed at 8:15pm

Attest: Susan Heaton

Secretary/Treasurer