

RIDGWAY TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS

Regular Meeting

August 15, 2023

The Ridgway Township Board of Supervisors held a regular meeting on August 15, 2023, at the Ridgway Township Municipal Building at 1537 A Montmorenci, Ridgway PA at 7pm. Supervisors present: Carl Shilk, Milly Bowers and Secretary, Michelle Bogacki.

Carl called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

On a MOTION made by Milly and a SECOND by Carl to approve July 18, 2023 Ordinance No 122 hearing minutes and the minutes for July 18, 2023 meeting. MOTION carried.

Guests: Tom Prechtl and hearing / deaf interpreter Raymond Long; Glenn (Herb) Olay of Grant Road.

Tom expressed concerns with vehicles parking along the OB Grant Park across from his residents. He indicated that there should be “no parking signs” in that area. Carl reported that the road crew has placed three “no parking” signs along the fence line of the park within that location Tom is referring to. Carl also noted that there are no parking signs on the north side of that roadway which is in front of Tom’s residents. Tom explained that the vehicles are not abiding by the signs and he is having trouble getting out of his driveway. Both Milly and Carl told Tom to call the police if the vehicles are parking there for a long period of time. Tom states that he did not want to call the police because that will only cause him grief with the store owner. Tom also states that there are large trucks parked at the end of the park which is causing trouble turning left at the stop sign to enter onto West Main. Both supervisors suggested that he turned toward Pine Avenue that would allow better access to West Main Street. In closing Tom was satisfied with the suggestions and response from the supervisors. Tom did indicate to Michelle that he would like to participate in the public meetings with the services of an interpreter present. Michelle encouraged Tom to phone two weeks prior to the meeting in which he would like to attend to set up such services for him.

Herb reported that he had attended the RTMA meeting to express his desire to obtain public water due to the borough permitting a large amount of fill being dumped on the adjacent hillside off Stonehedge. Herb has a concern that the fill is going to have an ultimate impact on his spring water. Supervisors asked Herb what it would take to acquire or extend the water line to his residents, as he indicated that RTMA really had no interest or information on how to get water to him. Milly encouraged Herb to talk to the RTMA Superintendents directly to get a better understanding how he could get to the main line with a tap.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Three quotes were received for the tree trimming and daylighting on Bingham Road, Water St Extension and Dill Hill. Paul Gnan’s quote came in at \$21,000 for all three roads; Luchs Tree Service at \$18,000; and Topside Tree Climbers at \$35,000.

On a MOTION made by Carl and a SECOND by Milly to accept Luchs Tree Service at \$18,000 for all three roads with a better confirmation on the height for daylighting some sections of the roads. MOTION carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Two quotes came in for the seal coating project at the RTMA garage bays. The first quote came from Ruffner’s Blacktop Sealcoating at \$225; and a second from The Driveway Co at \$92.

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On a MOTION made by Carl and a SECOND by Milly to accept the quote from the Driveway Co at \$92 with cleaning and prepping the site. MOTION carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

First Energy is hosting a Green Team Community Tree Program for saplings of choice. The program provides volunteers for planting. Michelle will follow up with the application, and requesting some more information on the specifics of the program. Milly suggested that this type of planting may need to wait until all of the Buckthorn treatment is completed.

SANDY BEACH

Michelle reported that 3 Red Sunset Maple trees are available for the Dog Park, and asked the supervisors to confirm any other tree purchases at the park or at the building. Supervisors will develop a list of trees to be ordered.

ROAD REPORT

The Daguscahonda Paving Project is completed. Carl reported that the berming is also completed and the residents are very pleased with the work.

ON a MOTION made by Milly and a SECOND by Carl to approve the treasurer report. MOTION carried.

On a MOTION made by Milly and a SECOND by Carl to approve payment of the bills with checks 11232 through 11353 from the General Fund, and checks 1999 to 2006 from Sandy Beach Account. MOTION carried.

With no other business adjournment was at 7:00pm.

Respectfully submitted by Michelle Bogacki, Secretary _____