

ONEIDA TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS' MEETING

JULY 3, 2024 7:30 PM

ONEIDA TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL BUILDING

PRESENT: James Ferrenberg, John Skipper, John (Andy) Los, Henry Strong, Chris Carper, Nicholas Newfield, Tim Furlong, Josh Crownover, Max Hetrick, Kelly Cunningham, Sarah Hayden

OPENING: Mr. Skipper opened the meeting with the "Pledge of Allegiance".

VISITORS' COMMENTS: Mrs. Cunningham stated that she came to hear an explanation from the solicitor on her proposal for adding dog barking to the township nuisance ordinance. Mr. Newfield explained that dog barking would be difficult to enforce. He stated that the magistrates probably wouldn't want to impose fines, and the state police are very busy so it would most likely fall to the township to enforce it. He also stated that it would be costly to try to use manpower to enforce a dog barking ordinance and this would come from the township, meaning tax payer dollars. Mr. Skipper also stated that he had talked to PSATS and got a similar opinion on the issue. Mr. Newfield offered to attempt to reach out to the dog warden on Mrs. Cunningham's behalf. Mrs. Cunningham thanked the supervisors for their time.

MINUTES/FINANCIAL REPORTS: Mr. Strong stated that while interest rates are starting to fall slightly, the township's investments are still making significant gains. He also informed the supervisors that his doctor's have recommended for him to have a knee replacement in the near future which would mean he would need some time off for recovery but would still be available for financial consultation.

Mr. Ferrenberg motioned to approve the minutes and financial reports from last month and it was seconded by Mr. Los.

ROADMASTER'S REPORT: Mr. Carper reported that in addition to normal mowing, he installed some new delineators and 'building permits required' signs. He also stated that he did some patching in preparation for the road work being done beginning next week. Mr. Carper also brought attention to the fact that another grinder pump was replaced this month.

HRFR REPORT: Mr. Furlong reported 29 incidents handled in June, a sold-out Father's Day dinner, and a gun raffle coming up on July 20<sup>th</sup>. He also stated that the tanker was involved in an accident which they were not at fault but resulted in \$43,000 worth of damage.

OLD BUSINESS: Mrs. Hayden stated that she and Mr. Skipper attended the first meeting for the Huntingdon County Hazard Mitigation Plan Update. She asked for the supervisors to provide their opinions on the severity of hazards over the last 5 years in Oneida Township.

NEW BUSINESS: Mrs. Hayden brought to the supervisor's attention sewer customers who had not made payments in over a year. Mr. Ferrenberg motioned to take legal action once balances reach \$1200. Mr. Los seconded the motion.

Mrs. Hayden asked the supervisors and HRFR if they had anything they would like included in the fall newsletter. Everyone agreed to get in touch with her if they came up with anything.

Mrs. Hayden presented the supervisors with a letter from the Huntingdon Board of Electors stating that the rate paid for the use of the building for elections was increased to \$60. She stated that she was not aware of a payment from them for past years and questioned if it was to go to the township or HRFR. Mr. Skipper said the township could fill out the paperwork.

Mr. Ferrenberg motioned to adjourn the meeting and it was seconded by Mr. Los.

Respectfully submitted,

Sarah Hayden, secretary