

**JACKSON TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS
GENERAL BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES
September 13, 2018**

The Jackson Township Board of Supervisors General Business Meeting was called to order by Chairman Donald C. Kresge Sr. at 7:00 PM.

Members present: Donald C. Kresge Sr., Lester Wolcott, Mark Major and Solicitor Todd Weitzmann.

Pledge of Allegiance

No public comment on agenda items.

Plot Plans:

No plot plans

General Business:

Old Business:

Jackson Township Supervisors General Business Meeting 08/09/18 Minutes:

Mark Major made a motion to approve the Jackson Township Supervisors General Business Meeting 08/09/18 Minutes. Motion seconded by Lester Wolcott. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Jackson Township Supervisors/HJP Park Paving Project Bid 09/06/18 Minutes:

Lester Wolcott made a motion to approve the Jackson Township Supervisors/HJP Park Paving Project Bid 09/06/18 Minutes. Motion seconded by Mark Major. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report:

Mark Major made a motion to record the Treasurer's Report as written. Motion seconded by Lester Wolcott. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Appraisal on "Thrills" Property status:

Solicitor Todd Weitzmann ordered the appraisal in August; however, he still has not received it. Lester Wolcott made a motion to table until October meeting. Motion seconded by Mark Major. All voted aye. Motion carried.

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FNB Equipment Finance – 2018 Ram 5500 (approved purchase 2017):

The purchase of a 2018 Ram 5500 was approved in November 2017. The truck is now built and ready to be delivered. Lester Wolcott made a motion to finance lease purchase - \$1.00 buyout with FNB Equipment Finance. Motion seconded by Mark Major. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Estate of Kendell Cramer – JTVFC:

Mike Wisniewski & Donald Kresge Sr. gave testimony at the hearing for the Estate of Kendell Cramer. The judge has awarded the \$5,000 to Jackson Township Volunteer Fire Company.

Kettlecreek Fundraiser Dinner Tickets (8):

Donald Kresge Sr. will attend the dinner, the remaining tickets can be distributed to township employees. Supervisor Lester Wolcott cannot attend. Supervisor Mark Major will be in attendance.

New Business:

Polk Twp. – Letter of Support for LSA Grant to fix 80 year old bridge:

Mark Major made a motion to send a Letter of Support to Polk Twp. for the LSA Grant to fix the 80 year old bridge. Motion seconded by Lester Wolcott. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Beyer Barber – 2019 Pension Obligation State Funded:

The 2019 Minimum Pension Obligation is \$2,750 per qualified employee, funded 100% by the State. Donald Kresge Sr. made a motion to accept the 2019 Minimum Pension Obligation. Motion seconded by Mark Major. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Consulting Services Agreement – SFM:

Mark Major made a motion to accept the proposed Consulting Services Agreement of SFM as provided – additional language was added to accommodate Vacation Rental Inspections. Motion seconded by Lester Wolcott. All voted aye. Motion carried.

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Road Maintenance Relief Crew:

Mark Major made a motion to appoint the following as provided by Roadmaster Donald Kresge Jr. for the title of Road Maintenance Relief Crew – part time employees: Butch Strausser, Larry Miller, John Crawford, Mike Wisniewski, David Martin, Lester Wolcott, Josh Custred, and Chris Charette. Motion seconded by Donald Kresge Sr. Both voted aye. Motion carried. Lester Wolcott abstained.

Correspondence:

Email received from Heiko Hecht:

I would like to send my Thanks to the Township and especially to the Public Works and Road Crew. The crew repaved a large portion of Doll Road last week and I really like their work and their help! Thank you for the funding.

My kids and I really enjoyed watching and talking to Don, Keith and the team. They were super friendly, helpful and communicated very well of when to expect what. They do excellent work, help out where they can, made sure we could get in and out while the work was going on and ensured a smooth ride leaving our homes.

It is good to know that we have such a great Works and Roads team in Jackson Township.

Mark Werkheiser:

The road crew did a great job on Miller Road as well – Thank You for all the work you do.

Comments:

Friends of HJP Dog Park:

Susan Possinger, Linda Fetter, Kathleen Patten and Vicki Anshou represent Friends of HJP Dog Park. They voiced their concern regarding HJP Dog Park, what is going to happen, maintenance of the Dog Park, parking – Will the township fund the park now that the other townships no longer are a part of HJP??

The Supervisors advised they will do their best to keep HJP Park and the Dog Park maintained. Just recently the Jackson Township Road Crew mowed and weed wacked the property. Unfortunately the financial burden will be placed solely on Jackson Township. A grant has been obtained to pave the parking area and a walking trail, the work will be done between now and October 31st. Once that work is completed, Jackson Township's Road Department will pave the remainder of the road joining the entrance to the parking lot area paid for by Jackson Township. Future plans are to revisit the existing plans of the park that was submitted for Grant Money to obtain the land – and revise it if possible. We have to stay within the Grant Guidelines, but our goal is to keep moving forward with the development of the park itself. Unfortunately it will now be 1 township, not 3 to finance the upkeep and future development of the park.

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Friends of HJP Dog Park advised they are willing to help in whatever way they can, mowing, garbage removal etc if necessary to keep the Dog Park Open. They asked why Pocono and Hamilton Townships have left HJP Park, they were told they would have to ask Pocono Township & Hamilton Township Commissioners/Supervisors. Jackson Township cannot speak for the other two townships.

There being no further business, Mark Major made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion seconded by Lester Wolcott. All voted aye. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jacqueline R. Elliott
Secretary/Treasurer