**Waterford Township Supervisors**

**Regular Business Meeting**

**Wednesday, July 17, 2019**

The regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Waterford Township was called to order by Chairman Coffin at 7:00 p.m. at the Waterford Township Municipal Building, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Coffin presided over the meeting with supervisors Senger and Malinowski in attendance, as well as Sec’y/Treas. Sharon Risjan, Roadmaster Kevin Cromwell, Flory Kondzielski, Kevin Henry from John Deere, and Kevin McCune, JCB rep from Stephenson Equipment.

**PUBLIC COMMENT** – NONE

**Motion by Malinowski, seconded by Senger, to approve the minutes of the July 3, 2019, regular business meeting, as presented. VOTE: 3/0**

**TREASURER’S REPORT**

**ROADMASTER’S REPORT**

* Finished tiling Cronin Road.
* We now have a signed lease with Phil Spotts, and got some material stockpiled.
* Tomorrow they will start graveling.
* Had some catch-up things to do before the chippers come next Monday.
* Cold patching here and there.
* Couple of items on Martin Road were done.
* Today they put brakes on the Mack and did some ditching on Cronin.

Chairman Coffin explained that a while ago we were owners of a large pile of 1B that he suggested we try tar and chip on a small section of roadway, and Suit-Kote said they would help. They would spray the oil, but don’t want to spread it. They are concerned it won’t work. Chairman questioned if we should try it or not try it this year. Suit-Kote feels the stone will slide off to the side of the road. Kevin indicated that the Township would be looking at two trips for stone. A past roadmaster in Washington Township did this years ago and it did not stay; the stone went off to the side of the road, and the oil was bleeding through. Discussion ensued. The stone won’t stick because it’s not hard enough, and possibly dirty. Malinowski thinks we should try it. Bruce would like to, and suggested we see who does this. Kevin will find someone.

**OLD BUSINESS**

* **Backhoe Purchase** – Discussion ensued with Kevin Henry from the local John Deere dealer who gave supervisors a breakdown of resale prices on used equipment. He advised that, on their current quote, John Deere will up the trade-in of the current unit to $25,000 and extended the warranty to five years or 3,000 hours. The quote is good until the end of 2019. We would still be buying through CoStars.

Kevin McCune from Stephenson Equip advised that their price is good through the end of the year. Many of the local municipalities have JCB units. They have an on-the-road service truck. There is a majority of JCB units in this area with happy customers.

Chairman explained how our equipment has been taken care of and maintained regularly. The main reason for routinely upgrading equipment, and noted that the backhoe was the next to be upgraded. It is a main piece of equipment we use in certain circumstances. It is a very handy piece of equipment. It is his opinion that the JCB is a good unit with a good price and he would like the employees to have good equipment. That is the purpose of having an equipment fund; so that when we need something, we have the funds to purchase it. The more hours you put on a machine, the lower the trade value. Senger agrees with that, but is concerned about the amount we may have to pay at the end of the lawsuit with Russell Standard. He does not want to put undue burden on the Township. Malinowski asked why we didn’t pay for the Peterbilt and the pickup with equipment fund monies. Kevin explained. Tim feels this is not a machine we use all that much. He feels the JCB we have now is like brand new. He feels the Township does not need to replace it. Coffin opened further discussion on routinely purchasing various equipment and its maintenance and reliability. He likes seeing the guys have great equipment to work with. He feels the prices are good. Senger is scared because of the lawsuit. He wants to table this for a little while. The dealers will both hold their prices until the end of the year. Kevin does not want the Township to end up having to purchase two new pieces of equipment at the same time instead of alternating the purchases.

**Motion was made by Coffin to purchase the JCB at 11,300 plus savings. No second.**

**Motion was made by Senger to table this for a couple of months. No second**

**Issue is dead at this time.**

**NEW BUSINESS**

* **HRG Request authorization for an additional six-month time extension (8/15/19-2/16/20), needed to provide additional time to keep the contract active until such time construction funding is in place to move the project into the construction phase. All active final design work is substantially complete.** Chairman is disgusted with HRG’s lack of action. Kevin noted that right now the plans are done, and there will not be any further plans from them until the project moves ahead. He found out it‘s not going to move forward this year. No end is in sight. **This matter was tabled to the next meeting.**
* **ECATO Annual Picnic on August 22, 2019, at Picnicana Park in Summit Township.**

**Motion was made by Senger, seconded by Malinowski, to approve expenses for three individuals to attend the picnic. Vote: 3/0**

**CORRESPONDENCE**

* **Stancliff Hose Company meeting set for 7/23/19 5 p.m. with Recruitment and Retention representative –** Coffin will try to attend. He opened discussion indicating that at the last meeting we were told that Stancliff is in the process looking into hiring full-time firemen. They will need a wage package, benefits and retirement package. It will be a substantial cost to the Township and the Borough. He has looked around and it looks like in New York they have gone to a tax base; the same as the real estate taxes. He would not like it to go to a property tax. He would like to see it go to a per capita, or a per person tax. Discussion ensued. Stancliff had talked about the age of their equipment that will need to be addressed also. We need to find out if the hose company is still going to meet with the supervisors at a work session on July 24, 2019. Discussion ensued on police protection; hopefully the County Committee will keep our best interest in mind for these services that the residents want. Kevin asked about the reluctance to combine hose companies. Coffin explained that Mill Village and Waterford firemen want to assist each other at fires, but the issue is the fire hall each wants in their municipality. Tim brought up the fact that there are people who would like to join the fire department but won’t because of current personnel. Bruce indicated that the trend now is that fire department volunteerism has really gone down. Times have changed; people are busy with other things and don’t want to get involved.

* **Erie County Conservation District –** Chairman advised that the Township has received 50% advance payment for the Cronin Road project.

**RECEIPTS**:

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| 486470 | ADP | Employee Uniform Contribution | 80.00 |
| 486471 | ADP | Employee Health Insurance Contrib. | 376.15 |
| 486472 | Erie County Conservation | Cronin Road 50% Cost  | 22000.00 |
| 486473 | Cass Information | Dollar General Sewer Usage | 63.26 |
| 486474 | Foht Investment | MHP Permit Fee | 50.00 |
| 486475 | Beeman Estates | Sewer Usage | 63.26 |
| 486476 | Dist. Court 06-3-05 | Local Fines | 111.93 |
| 486477 | Berkheimer | EIT July | 1893.61 |
| 486478 | Melissa Oberlander | Real Estate and Per Capita Tax | 38723.95 |
| 486479 | Melissa Oberlander | Interim Real Estate Taxes | 221.09 |
| 486480 | James Reichert | Subdivision Fee and Deposit | 135.00 |
| 486481 | Erie County Recorder | Realty Transfers | 3239.63 |
| 486482 | Berkheimer | EIT July 2019 | 2897.09 |

**MOTION TO APPROVE PAYMENT OF BILLS -- BILL PAYMENT LIST**: See attached list

Payroll Period: 6/15 – 6/28/19 Check Date: 07/03/19 Cash Required: $17,011.40

  **MOTION TO PAY BILLS
Motion to pay the bills, as presented, was made by Malinowski, seconded by Senger. Vote: 3/0**

**MOTION TO ADJOURN**

**Motion to adjourn was made by Senger, seconded by Malinowski at 7:50 p.m. Vote: 3/0**

Approved: Respectfully Submitted:

Bruce Coffin Date Sharon Risjan

Chairman Secretary