

La Plume Township

MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

JANUARY 10, 2022

The La Plume Township Board of Supervisors met in regular session via ZOOM on the above date and was called to order by Chair Lisa Huffsmith. Also present was Supervisor Jeremy Wohlken along with Roadmaster Bruce Van Fleet, EMC Barbara Scanlon, and Auditors John and Jennifer Farrar. Engineer John Seamans was unable to be present but did a Telephone Conference with Chair Lisa Huffsmith.

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved, motion by Huffsmith, seconded by Wohlken The following Treasurer's Report was reviewed and will be filed.

General Fund Account Balance	<u>\$86,418.95</u>	including interest of \$.81 and receipts of:	
	1,443.56	Earned Income Tax	
	239.17	Real Estate Tax	
	25.26	Delinquent Tax Jan	
	25.78	Delinquent Tax Feb	
	1,734.60	Real Estate Transfer Tax, Barrows	
	\$3,468.37	Total Receipts.	
State Fund Balance.....	<u>\$36,035.32</u>	including interest of .36 interest	
Cemetery Fund Balance	<u>\$709.11</u>	including interest of .01	PLGIT Plus Fund
Account Balance	<u>\$2,283.74</u>	including interest of .08	

The Following bills were ordered paid, motion by Huffsmith, seconded by Wohlken:

PP&L	47.00	Building Lights
PP&L	151.67	Street Lights
Berkheimer Assoc	31.68	Earned Income Tax
D.G.K. Insurance Co.	2,359.00	Ins.pkg, Inv. 418884(2050) Inv.418885(309)
Atlas Petroleum	432.50	Heating Oil
Scranton times	169.25	Legal Ad
PSATS	180.00	Subscription for "Township News" magazine
Shirley Lewis	49.00	Internet
Dalton Borough	1,018.00	Workers Compensation/Vol. Fire Co.
John Seamans	568.11	Inv.2022.05(500) Inv. 202206(68.11) Engineer services N. Overbrook/Sprint copies/postage
Van Fleet Home Repair	300.00	Maple Road(trees)ordered salt,check roads & bldg..
American Rock Salt	1,543.15	Rock salt
Sara Van Fleet	35.00	Cleaning building
Kimberly Henry	11.95	Commission, Real Estate Collection
Shirley Lewis	1,239.00	Secretary/Treasurer salary

Total Bills **\$8,135.31**

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February 10, 2022

John Seamans via phone stated that Senator Martin Flynn's office contacted the Township ready to work on the water problem at N. Overbrook Road and Rt. 6/11. A tentative date of February 28, 11:00 a.m. has been set for a meeting with various people and Penn DOT to consider solutions. Silt has filled the inlet, Bruce Van Fleet will work to clean out the inlet. Engineer also said there has been little or no activity regarding Keystone College and trying to have meetings set up with Solicitors and Keystone personnel.

Regarding the question of MHW's northern property line between Dalton Borough and La Plume Township, a survey can be done if the Supervisors so choose. There are quantities of junk and refuse along the creek that should be cleaned up but it's unclear who owns that strip of property.

Supervisor Wohlken has volunteered to become certified for the Dirt and Gravel Road Program so the Township can request grants through the Lackawanna County Soil Conservation Office. This will be an online course, Feb. 15 and 16. Motion was made by Huffsmith, seconded by Wohlken to appoint him to this position.

Roadmaster Bruce Van Fleet reported checking roads and building and ordering salt. College Road has potholes. There were three bids received for tree removal on Maple Road. Titan Tree, \$14,850; Ryan Colvert, \$19,450 and Atlas, \$18,000. Motion was made by Huffsmith, seconded by Wohlken to award the project to Titan Tree. Regarding Turnpike Lane, Roadmaster will contact Engineer John Seamans regarding Low Volume grant funds.

Motion was made by Huffsmith, seconded by Wohlken to add an Administrative Fee to building permits with NEIC of 20%.

Supervisor Huffsmith reported that Silver Series, a new program in the County has been put into place involving the Lackawanna County Area of Aging and others providing financial relief to the elderly such as mortgage relief. This information will be placed on the Website.

Pennsylvania's Act 511 requires a member of each municipality to volunteer to serve on the TCC, Tax Collection Committee regarding the collection in school districts of Earned Income Tax. Secretary will search for volunteers.

No further business, meeting was adjourned, motion by Huffsmith, seconded by Wohlken.

Respectfully submitted,

Shirley Lewis, Secretary