

DINGMAN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
SEPTEMBER 18, 2018 MEETING
AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER - Pledge of Allegiance
2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - August 21, 2018 Meeting
3. PUBLIC HEARINGS
 - a) Zoning Ordinance Amendment #04-2018
4. OLD BUSINESS
 - a) Other
5. NEW BUSINESS
 - a) Proposal From Williams Well Drilling for Park Well Repair
 - b) Other
6. CORRESPONDENCE
 - a) Habitat for Humanity of Pike County
 - b) Miscellaneous Correspondence
7. EMERGENCY SERVICES REPORTS
8. ROADMASTER REPORT
9. SEWAGE/ZONING ENFORCEMENT OFFICER REPORT
10. TREASURER'S REPORT / SECRETARY'S REPORT
 - a) Payment of Bills: \$ 57,619.49 General Fund
\$ 2,754.92 Rec Fund
 - b) General Fund Balance: \$ 1,125,261.82
11. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD
12. ADJOURNMENT

- ATTENDANCE:** Thomas E. Mincer, Chairman; Edward D. Nikles, Supervisor; Karen Kleist, Secretary/Treasurer; John H. Klemeyer, Solicitor; Chris Wood, Sewage/Zoning Enforcement Officer; Mark O'Brien & Joe DeMaio of the Dingman Twp. Volunteer Fire Dept.; and members of the public and press. Supervisor Dennis L. Brink was absent.
- ITEM NO. 1: CALL TO ORDER** Chairman Mincer called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm opening with the Pledge of Allegiance.
- ITEM NO. 2: APPROVAL OF MINUTES** MOTION was made by Ed Nikles, seconded by Thomas Mincer, and unanimously carried to approve the August 21, 2018 Minutes as presented.
- ITEM NO. 3: PUBLIC HEARINGS**
A) Zoning Amendment #04-2018 A duly advertised Public Hearing was held to consider the adoption of an amendment to the Zoning Ordinance revising the definition of Campground. Solicitor Klemeyer explained that the change is to address the new trend of renting campsites on residential properties (similar to AirBNB). The Amendment would prevent the renting of campsites except in permitted campgrounds or RV Parks. No public comment was received. MOTION was made by Ed Nikles, seconded by Thomas Mincer, and unanimously carried to adopt Ordinance No. 04-2018, amendment to the Zoning Ordinance.
- ITEM NO. 4: OLD BUSINESS**
A) Other Old Business Chairman Mincer reported that he attended the followup EMS meeting at Westfall Township. Discussions centered around ways to keep at least one ambulance corps in the region available. Meeting participants included Westfall, Matamoras, Shohola, Milford Township, Milford Borough, Dingman, and Delaware Township. It was decided to form a focus group made up of one EMS member and one Supervisor/Council member from each municipality to come up with potential solutions.
- ITEM NO. 5: NEW BUSINESS**
A) Williams Well Drilling Proposal The Board was in receipt of a proposal from Williams Well Drilling to seal off a vein into the well at the Township Park that is approximately 50' from the surface and is a potential source of surface water getting into the well. The cost is \$2,500.00. MOTION was made by Ed Nikles, seconded by Thomas Mincer, and unanimously carried to accept the proposal of Williams Well Drilling in the amount of \$2,500.00 for work on the Park well.
- ITEM NO. 5(B):**
Other New Business There was no Other New Business at this time.
- ITEM NO. 6: CORRESPONDENCE**
A) Habitat for Humanity of Pike County The Board received an invitation to the Dedication Ceremony for their 27th house in Pike County on September 22, 2018 at 9 am in Sunrise Lake.
- ITEM NO. 6(B):**
Miscellaneous Correspondence The Board reviewed various Miscellaneous Correspondence and had no comments.
- ITEM NO. 7:**
EMERGENCY SERVICES REPORTS DTVFD Chief Mark O'Brien reported that they received 22 Fire and 88 EMS dispatches in August. They have also received several new member applications.
- Chairman Mincer expressed his disappointment in recent newspaper articles on the Blooming Grove Township meetings where the amount of time their ambulance (EMS) is called out of the Township is excessive and due to other municipalities not funding their EMS properly, and it is insinuated that Dingman Township is the primary offender. He took a moment to clarify that the 177 responses Blooming Grove made into Dingman Twp. last year only refers to the total **dispatches**. Of the 177 dispatches, there were only 55 actual incidents they responded to: 18 were due to our units being on other calls, 5 were due to manpower being at a fire incident, 5 were due to incidents where both units were needed on-scene, 3 were due to them continuing to scene after being cancelled, and 2

were due to accessibility issues for us. That leaves 22 actual calls Blooming Gove covered in Dingman due to staffing issues for the year. They also neglected to mention that Dingman responded to 34 calls in Blooming Grove last year.

In addition, a few years ago when Blooming Grove was having issues and we covered a large portion of their EMS calls, we did not make a big deal of it at public meetings, but encouraged the Chiefs to work together to get the situation resolved. For the record, in 2012 26% (239) of Dingman's EMS dispatches were to Blooming Grove Township. In 2013 it was 24% (229).

Milford Fire Dept. could not make it but submitted a written report. Total year-to-date responses are 361 Fire and 527 EMS.

**ITEM NO. 8:
ROADMASTER REPORT**

MOTION was made by Ed Nikles, seconded by Thomas Mincer, and unanimously carried to approve the August 27-September 9, 2018 Roadmaster Report as submitted.

**ITEM NO. 9:
SEWAGE /ZONING OFFICER REPORT**

Chris Wood reminded the Board that the Zoning Hearing Board hearing to hear the appeal of Har Haven will be held on September 27, 2018 at 7 pm at the Dingman Firehouse.

**ITEM NO. 10:
TREASURER'S REPORT**

MOTION was made by Ed Nikles, seconded by Thomas Mincer, and unanimously carried to approve the September 18, 2018 Treasurer's Report, Bill Payment List, and General Fund balance, and to sign the checks following the meeting.

ITEM NO. 11: PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no comments from the public or press.

ITEM NO. 12: ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, MOTION was made by Ed Nikles, seconded by Thomas Mincer, and unanimously carried to adjourn the September 18th meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Kleist, Secretary/Treasurer