

# TOWANDA TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS

## Regular Monthly Meeting

April 5th, 2016 – 10:00am

The Regular Monthly meeting was held on April 5th, 2016 at 10am at the Residence of Francis Lindsey. The meeting was called to order by President Charlotte Sullivan. Supervisors Present were: Charlotte Sullivan, Frank Lindsey and Gary Scranton. Others present were Lori Kepner, secretary, Raymond Green Jr., Road Master and Jonathan P. Foster Sr., Esquire. Visitors present were Wilma Lindsey and James Lowenstein, from the Daily Review.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited

**Minutes** of the March Regular meeting were approved. Motion by Gary Scranton and seconded by Charlotte Sullivan and all agreed.

**Treasurer's Reports** and bills to be paid were approved. Motion by Charlotte Sullivan to accept the treasurer's report and bills to be paid. Seconded by Gary Scranton and all agreed.

**TMA/CBPA REPORT:** Nothing new with the TMA, just discussed Well issues. CBPA did not have a quorum for a meeting. Charlotte explained that Towanda Borough was applying for DCNR grant money for a new Bike Trail which will run from North Towanda through to Monroeton along the railroad. They are in the process of getting the Rail Study done, and are asking for a Commitment letter and Resolution from each municipality in support of the project, along with a \$2000.00 donation which will help with the cost of the Rail Study which is approximately \$16,100.00. Gary Scranton made a motion that the Board of Supervisors of Towanda Township are in support of the Rail Study and Bike trail by resolution and commitment letter and to also donate \$2000.00 for the Rail Study, but would like to see the Bike trail, to incorporate a walking trail as well. Charlotte Sullivan seconded the motion and all agreed. Lori will type up the commitment letter and Jonathan Foster will draft the resolution.

**Fire Report:** Nothing new right now. No burn ban has been issued for our area. The Fire dept is going to do an equipment inventory to assess what is out of date.

**Road Report by Ray Green:** Plowed and cindered as needed. Removed down branches and trees from the storm. Received information from Suit Kote on tar and chip work to the village. David Sullivan will berm the sidewalks. Ray met with Eric Casanave from Stiffler McGraw to look over work done to Hemlock Hills. Ray got the new tires put on the backhoe. The F550 needs a need antenna and windshield; we will get with Gannon Insurance to see about the replacement of the windshield. Ray would like to start work on Tip Top to replace four cross pipes in May. We will get a price closer to may since the price has been dropping on the cost of the pipes. We will have to close the road when replacing the pipes so we will have to advertise it, put out a notice to all landowners on Tip Top, and also call 911. He still needs to do some ditch work and also repair some pot holes on Johnston rd. There is garbage being dumped along Bridge Street that needs to be addressed before it gets any worse. Gary Scranton explained that he talked to Joe Snell and Joe would talk with Chip Hoffman about who owns the property where all this garbage is being dumped at on Bridge Street and they would get back to us. Once we get this information, Lori is to send a friendly letter to the land owner explaining the situation to see if the land owner will work with the Township or if the Township will have to contact DEP. Bridge Street is a State road. Also a house along South Main Street has garbage building up at its location.

**Miscellaneous Business.** James from the Daily reviewed asked Ray Green about the cross pipes on Tip Top. The BCTOA Spring Dinner will be held on May 26<sup>th</sup>, 2016 at the Wysox Fire Hall starting at 6:30pm. The new computers have been installed in the Township office and garage office. Email system still need a little work. Jonathan reported on a proposed road paving ordinance; he is still working on it. Jonathan still working on Lime Street paperwork. Lori Kepner attended the TCC meeting for Charlotte. There was nothing new to discuss at the time. Next meeting will be in September. At this time Charlotte Sullivan called an executive meeting to discuss possible litigation issues, 11:00am. At 11:30am Charlotte Sullivan made a motion to come out of executive session. The Board discussed the Hemlock Hill Subdivision. Correspondence. All correspondence had been forwarded to supervisors. Subdivision/Gas Wells: No NOI'S were received for the Township. Gary Scranton made a motion to adjourn. Frank Lindsey seconded and all agreed. Next Township Meeting is scheduled for May 2nd, 2016 at 10:00am.

Lori Kepner, Secretary \_\_\_\_\_