

**SUPERVISOR'S MEETING
September 28, 2017**

The Jackson Township Supervisors held their regular meeting at 6:00 p.m. at the Jackson Township Municipal Building. Members present were Supervisors Bruce Baker, John Wallet and Eric Dreikorn along with Secretary/Treasurer/Manager Dave Hirko and Solicitor Bill Barbin. The meeting was called to order by Bruce Baker, Chairman, with the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

Board Roll Call was taken with all three Supervisors present.

Public Comments Concerning Agenda Items:

(None)

Minutes:

Motion Dreikorn, second Wallet to approve the minutes of the Board of Supervisors Meetings held on August 31, 2017 and September 14, 2017. Vote-3 yes.

Township Financial Report:

FUND	Balance 8/31/17	Receipts	Disbursements	Balance 9/28/17
GENERAL	\$ 59,847.37	\$ 52,170.58	\$ 74,233.07	\$ 37,784.88
CAPITAL RESERVE	\$ 1,142,313.99	\$ 1,223.75	\$.00	\$ 1,143,537.74
HIGHWAY AID	\$ 369,239.28	\$ 64.66	\$ 29,307.60	\$ 339,996.34
SR. CENTER FUND	\$ 63,303.97	\$ 2,625.23	\$ 1,346.95	\$ 64,582.25

Expenditures:

Motion Wallet, second Dreikorn to approve the bills for the period of September 1, 2017 through September 28, 2017. Vote-3 yes.

General Fund	Highway Aid Fund	Senior Center Fund	Capital Reserve Fund
\$ 74,233.07	\$ 29,307.60	\$ 1,346.95	\$.00

Township Police Report:

The August, 2017 Police Report statistics were as follows: **911 Calls dispatched to Police: 265, Reportable Part I Crimes: 0 Reportable Part II Crimes: 4 broken down as follows: Drugs-2, Stolen Property-1 and Vandalism-1 Calls Resulting in Cases: 8, Total Arrestees: 4, Total Suspects: 0, Total Victims: 2, DUI Arrests: 0, Traffic Citations: 30, Non-Traffic Citations: 2, Total Warnings: 0**

Correspondence:

Manager Hirko said, we received a flyer from the Nanty Glo Public Library and they're having their Annual Fund Drive. They would like us to make a contribution and last year we did \$500.00.

Old Business:

(None)

New Business:

Motion Dreikorn, second Wallet to approve contribution to the Nanty Glo Public Library for \$500.00. Vote-3 yes.

Motion Wallet, second Dreikorn on approving the time sheets from August 27, 2017 through September 9, 2017 and September 10, 2017 through September 23, 2017. Vote-3 yes.

Other New Business:

(None)

Public Comments:

Terri Koharchik said, I live at 176 Fords Corner Road and my neighbors have two roosters. I've been dealing with this problem of the neighbors having these roosters since May. I've been going through George Burkey. Nothing has been done. . I just talked to him yesterday and he said he spoke with Bruce Baker and that it would be taken care of and you were supposed to speak to a Shelly and something about the Boy Scouts come out?

Chairman Baker said, let me back up here a second. As a matter of record, we left the ball in your court. At our meeting in July when your neighbor came in and complained about the neighbor dispute you are having, we directed George to tell you to bring us some sort of evidence that there are in deed roosters crowing. George told you to video them. . .George told us he asked you to video them. If you provide us with documentation that chickens or roosters or whatever they are, are in deed crowing. . .in fact, I have the names of several professionals. . .one is a poultry farmer and the other is a veterinarian. **Koharchik** replied, I have an ipad. . I can easily do that. **Baker** said, that's all we need. . .we don't want to go on with more than we have to. **Koharchik** said, it's just that this keeps dragging on and as the things are getting older, they're louder and it's just not one. . .it's two. **Baker** said, we were understanding that they weren't crowing because we had nothing ever brought to us but if you could bring us something that shows they're crowing, we have no problem making them get rid of them. That's what the ordinance says. . you can't have them. **Koharchik** said, he claims they're not roosters. . . they're hens. **Baker** replied, well. .that's what he said to us too. **Koharchik** said, anybody who looks out. . you can see the cones on them. **Baker** said, hens can have that. Chickens do not crow. . roosters crow. Chickens cackle. If you show us video evidence that the rooster's crowing, it's gotta go. **Koharchik** said, there's two. Do I have to wait for another meeting? **Baker** said, if you go home and they crow tomorrow morning, bring it out here. . .if you can show us evidence that there are rooster's crowing, bring the video out here. Monday through Friday we're here from 6:30 am to 4:00 pm. **Koharchik** said, I would have had no problem bringing something like that if I had known. **Baker** said, we asked George. . did they ever bring anything and he said, no not yet. **Koharchik** said, George was telling me he thought they got rid of them because he didn't hear from me and all this time I was waiting to see what was getting done and I'm glad I called him. **Baker** said, by the same token, he was cited for having the rooster and not getting rid of it and it was taken away so the police department dropped the charges, but now again, if there are roosters there in fact, he's in violation of that ordinance and he has to get rid of them and we will enforce it. **Clair Michaels** said, I didn't realize we had an ordinance. **Solicitor Barbin** said, it's not in the Agricultural District. **Baker** said it was from people in residential areas wanting chickens and when you're on 100 foot lots. . . it's been 2 or 3 years now we had that. . .for some reason, people raising chickens for laying eggs in residential areas has been very popular. **Koharchik** said, I don't have no problems with the chickens. . .it's those dang roosters. **Barbin** asked, how close are they to your house? **Koharchik** replied, they're right beside me. **Baker** said, you're talking early in the morning. . 4, 5, 6? **Koharchik** said it starts at 5 in the morning on and throughout the entire day it goes. I was up. . very restless . it was 1:30 - 2 o'clock in the morning. . it's still crowing. It's a constant, almost 24/7. **Koharchik** said, if they were a distance from us, it probably wouldn't bother me but being that were so close to each other. **Baker** said, here's a copy of the minutes from our July meeting that addressed the situation you said about. . .so you know exactly what was said. Bring us that information / evidence and we'll act on that.

Bob Albright said, I just want to remind the guys that water hasn't run down Old Nanty Glo Road in awhile, but as soon as it rains, it's gonna run down there. That sod needs cut back and it's only ditch on one side. The ditch is deep enough on the end but the water can't get in the ditch. **Vice-Chairman Wallet** said, we'll put it on our to do list.

Announcements:

Chairman Bruce Baker announced, The Board of Supervisors next meetings will be held on Thursday, October 12, 2017 at 7:30 am and Thursday, October 26, 2017 at 6:00 pm at the Jackson Township Municipal Building. The Jackson Township Volunteer Fire Company will host an Open House at the Fire Hall on Wednesday, October 11, 2017 from 6 - 8 pm. There will be Fire Department tours and a chance to meet the firemen, check out the new truck and learn about fire fighting. Kids will be able to tour the smoke trailer or get a free fire truck ride. In addition there will be free refreshments and free 911 house ID numbers. Everyone is encouraged to come out and show your support for the Fire Company. A Halloween Parade will be held on Sunday, October 29, 2017 at 1:00 pm in Vinco. Trick or Treat will be held immediately following until 4:00 pm. The Supervisors will be giving out free treats at the Fire Hall.

Adjournment:

Motion Wallet, second Dreikorn to adjourn the meeting at 6:12. Vote-3 yes.

Respectfully submitted,



David M. Hirko, Secretary