

## REGULAR MEETING

The Regular Meeting of the Hempfield Township Board of Supervisors was held on Monday evening, January 4, 2021, immediately following the Annual Organization Meeting in the Hempfield Township Municipal Building.

Supervisors Gary E. Hittle, David A. Geisel, and Todd P. Hittle were present along with Richard G. Stanley of 8 Fox Creek Drive and Caleb Strigt of the *Record-Argus* newspaper.

Chairman Hittle called the meeting to order.

Chairman Hittle opened the Public Comment portion of the meeting. There were no public comments.

Chairman Hittle entertained a motion to dispense with the reading and approve of the minutes of the Regular Meeting of December 1, 2020. Supervisor Geisel made the motion, and it was seconded by Supervisor Hittle. Motion carried. Chairman Hittle said the minutes are a public document and may be viewed during regular business hours at the Township Building, and noted that they are also on-line.

Chairman Hittle said that a motion should be enacted that, during 2021, the Supervisors and the Township Secretary be authorized to make any necessary expenditures over and above regular operating expenditures, not to exceed \$300.00 per month, with the exception of an emergency, in which case, this amount can be exceeded. Supervisor Geisel made a motion that the Supervisors and the Township Secretary be authorized to make any necessary expenditures over and above regular operating expenditures, not to exceed \$300.00 per month, with the exception of an emergency, in which case the amount can be exceeded. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Hittle and unanimously approved by Chairman Hittle. Motion carried.

A request from Property Tax Collector William Fagley has been received to appoint Rhonda E. Shadt and Gary E. Hittle to serve as Deputy Tax Collectors for the Hempfield Township Tax Collector on an as needed basis. A motion by Supervisor Geisel to approve the request was made and it was seconded by Supervisor Hittle. Motion carried.

Chairman Hittle said the Supervisors need to approve the activities submitted by the Hempfield Township Volunteer Fire Department. Secretary Hittle read the activities for January. They are: January 11– Directors/Membership Meeting. A motion was made by Supervisor Hittle to approve the Hempfield Township Volunteer Fire Department members their participation in the above-mentioned activities. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Geisel. Motion carried.

Next on the Agenda is the viewing of reports of the various Township Departments for the month of December, 2020. First reviewed was the Police Report. There were 713 man-hours worked and 4,299 miles traveled. There were 2 traffic citations issued and 2 non-traffic citations. Property stolen was in the amount of \$851.30 with \$545.38 in property recovered. Property damaged was \$0.00. Criminal incidents totaled 79, service totaled 341, police information totaled 20, and traffic incidents totaled 75.

A report from the Hempfield Township Volunteer Fire Department was then viewed. In December, the Department responded to 19 total calls including 8 for aid given to other departments.

There was one Zoning Permit issued during the month of December. It was issued to Rian Eckley of 156 College Avenue for a roof mounted solar panel installation at an estimated market value of \$75,070.50.

Last viewed was the report of major work performed by the Maintenance Crew. The crew checked ditches along various Township Roads after storms; Roads were plowed and or salted various times; Downed trees were removed from Township Roads; Removed downed limbs from St. Glory and Gibson Roads; Trimmed trees and brush in the Creekside Development; Mixed salt and anti-skid for winter maintenance; Installed snow stakes in Creekside Development; Marked sewer lines on Fredonia Road for Wilson Excavating/National Fuel Gas main line and service line repair project; Worked on 99 International Dump Truck regarding oil leak; Worked with parts and service department from Zacherl Motors, Clarion, PA regarding oil leak issues on 99 International; Cleaned up barn at Hempfield Park; Cut down trees along Quailvue Road in Country Estates; Serviced HTPD Unit#2; Cleaned plow trucks after winter maintenance; Washed HTPD vehicles numerous times; Put toys away at Hempfield Park playground; Picked up trash along Township Roads; Plowed/salted roads Christmas Eve and Christmas Day; Cleaned Township garage area; Put 99 International back together after installing new high pressure oil pump; Working on HTMA Jetter to troubleshoot lose of pressure during use.

Annual Reports from Township Departments were next on the Agenda. The report from the Hempfield Township Police Department was presented. The report showed that the men worked a total of 8,907 man-hours in the Township and traveled 51,060 miles. Under the Traffic Category, it was reported that there were 73 accidents, resulting in 22 injuries and total traffic related incidents were 133. 45 non-traffic citations were issued. Under the Criminal Category, it was reported that property was stolen in the amount of \$15,998.755 with \$11,255.69 was recovered, and no property damage was reported. There were 5,357 related criminal incidents reported, there were 1,689 items listed under the Service Category, and 263 items listed as Police Information.

For the Hempfield Township Fire Department, there were a total of 143 incidents during 2020 including 18 for EMS calls and 125 for fire. Aid was given to neighboring departments 37 times and aid was received 6 times.

The annual zoning report showed there were 33 permits issued during 2020 including 1 for a home addition; 3 for temporary Agricultural stands and buildings; 9 for carports and garages; 7 permits for decks or patios; 1 permit for a swimming pool; 1 permit for a commercial building remodel; 1 permit for a sign; 2 permits for restaurants and 8 permits for storage buildings.

Chairman Hittle opened the Miscellaneous portion of the meeting. There was no response.

Chairman Hittle said he would entertain a motion that checks be issued in payment of all utility bills, and that all other bills be checked and upon approval, be paid. Supervisor Geisel made the motion, Supervisor Hittle duly seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved by Chairman Hittle. Motion carried.

There being no further business, Supervisor Hittle made a motion to adjourn. Supervisor Geisel duly seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved by Chairman Hittle. Motion carried.

Chairman Hittle declared the Meeting adjourned.

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Todd P. Hittle, Township Secretary

**GENERAL FUND:**

AmTrust North America.....	23,058.00
PIRMA.....	27,763.00
Busy Beaver.....	28.49
BSFCU.....	34.97
Chris Cox.....	97.52
Companion Life.....	352.13
David A. Geisel.....	68.80
Penn Power Co.....	229.52
National Fuel.....	218.42
Gary E. Hittle.....	68.80
Greenville Water Auth.....	70.76
HTMA.....	129.78
Hittle Auto Supply.....	336.33
Kelly Hittle.....	350.00
Kathys Kreations.....	6.00
Pitney Bowes.....	77.37
Point Spring and Driveshaft.....	174.16
John Prosek.....	150.00
Greenville Record Argus.....	46.40

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Roger R Shaffer, Jr.....	750.00
Shred-It USA.....	105.39
Tri-County Industries.....	133.75
Steven Vosler.....	900.00
Verizon Wireless.....	242.61
Wagners Wheel Alinement.....	10.24
<b>STATE FUND:</b>	
Penn Power.....	2,033.41