

*South Pymatuning Township Regular Meeting*

*The Regular Meeting of South Pymatuning Township Board of Supervisors was held August 08 2018 at 6:30PM in the municipal building with Chairperson Bill Klumph, and Supervisor's Rose Lyons and Michaelene Harris.*

*The meeting was opened with the pledge to the flag.*

*A motion was made by Bill Klumph and seconded by Michaelene Harris to approve the minutes of the July 11, 2018 Regular Meeting and the July 17, 2018 continuation meeting. Motion passed unanimously.*

*An executive session was called and the supervisors left the room.*

*Lyons asked Klumph to announce that they returned from Executive Session and to announce it was for personnel issues. Klumph made the announcement.*

*Public Comments:*

*Laurel Alexander said for the record there is not supposed to be any personal attacks against members of the audience when they attend the meetings and finds it very un-professional. She said the letter she submitted to the Herald was submitted before the meeting so she didn't have any answers before it was submitted and has no control of when they publish the letter. She said she submitted the letter prior to the meeting. Laurel Alexander said in 2015 the roof was scheduled to be repaired and said it needed to be done within a couple years. Laurel said she's not sure how the fees are calculated for building permits and there is a large disconnect on what they're charging the public and is not acceptable.*

*Gary Gerasimek said he is going to push back and the community is going to appeal that. He said from his understanding from talking to attorneys it will come back to the township. Gary said there are some people on the zoning board that shouldn't have been making votes during the hearing and asked if the supervisors have anything to do with the zoning officers, how they get voted in and how do they recues themselves from voting. He asked if a relative is on the board and if the relative is asking for a variance if there are any rules to make decisions. He said it is unethical. He asked what we do when it comes back since there was no hardship. Gary said he also understands Bob Layman is the alternate on the website and has some charges pending with his neighbors. He asked if Layman should be on the zoning board and said if he can't play well with his neighbors in his neighborhood how can he be making decision in*

our township at the meetings. He asked how to go about removing people that are not suitable for a zoning board. Klumph said he should get his own attorney. Gary asked Klumph if he needs to sue the township to get people removed from the zoning board. Klumph said talk to your attorney and see what he recommends. Lyons said they are appointed every year and if anyone is interested they can request to be on the board. Gary said we assume that people that take office are going to do the best they can and not let unethical things fall through. He said Layman may be in prison by then. He said people in the township want that residential protection and value of their homes and that having business and residential zoning is to prevent things like this. He asked if it was understood that across the United States the communities are trying to keep them out of their business but our community just invited them in to a residential community. Klumph said if it comes before our board he will try to make the best decision for the community. Gary asked if the township looked into what cameras would cost for the police dept. He said he paid for tasers and the defibrillators in the past.

Ed Wilson said the fire dept. agreed to give the FD more funds and they were supposed to turn in quarterly reports. He said it appears the police have a revolving door, overtime incurred, he questions the revolving door and said at one time there was a police chief. He said it was questioned back then when the position was eliminated in 2010 it was said by past supervisors that money would be used for the roof. He said we rejected the bids and he sent a brochure to township that had experience. He said he feels his comments are being blown off. Bill Klumph said they will review the bids and make a decision. Lyons said this board is trying to get things done and Ed said it's moving at an unacceptable speed for him. He said he asked last November for an equipment schedule. All of his concerns are financials of the township. Ed asked about the employee handbook that he created and said the board could at least say yes or no. Lyons said it was discussed and that she will not take fault. Lyons said the Sgt. had issues and were never answered and that when you don't have a board that works together you don't get stuff done.

Sara Rupp expressed her interest to join the Planning Commission. Klumph said based on the comments at the meeting on Monday she would be welcomed in. He said they agreed she could join. Lyons said it has to be put on the agenda for next month's meeting before approved.

Chuck Vranich asked if there was a procedure officers have to go through such as physicals and background checks. Klumph said yes. He asked about the board's intention to hire him as a fulltime officer. He asked if he was part-time

here and asked if he was fulltime somewhere else. Klumph said he was off for awhile and said he was next in line and it was offered to him and we will voting tonight to accept or possibly delay it until more information is gathered on the state of his health. Vranich asked if he was off from both employment places. He asked if he would go back to Pymatuning fulltime. Klumph said no. Vranich asked how many applicants there were. Klumph said 3. He said they are hired part time and when an opportunity comes for fulltime they move on.

Police & Fire reports were read.

A motion was made by Bill Klumph and seconded by Michaelene Harris to approve the bills in the amount of \$ 155,538.07 and payroll in the amount of \$28812.43 Motion passed with Lyons voting no.

A motion was made by Bill Klumph and seconded by Rose Lyons to advertise for a grass and dangerous structure ordinance. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Bill Klumph and seconded by Rose Lyons to approve the closing of the Huron Bridge due to the cost of the long term cost. Klumph said those in favor of closing the bridge say I, he then asked if anyone was opposed to the closing. Lyons asked if he would like to correct that motion, Klumph said yes. Lyons asked why they wanted to keep the bridge open. He said the cost would exceed removing the bridge and that the bridge could be repaired and put back in service for between 8800.00 and 9000.00. He said the cost would exceed removing the bridge. Lyons asked what the cost would be if the bridge was removed. Klumph said he did not know. Lyons said he did not have the facts and she understands that cost may cover the repairs right now but the township would still have to save for the future repairs of \$59000.00. The engineer report said the bridge has a short life expectancy. Lyons asked why we would spend 59,000.00 of tax dollars and told Klumph you have to prepare for the future cost. Klumph said it would not cost that much. Lyons said Klumph is the one who got the quotes which she was reading the quotes from and said they were done in February and that the bridge has deteriorated more since then. Vranich asked if it was a band aid fix Lyons said yes. Morrow said there were already holes in the patches we fixed and the sides need replaced. It has also been on the county list for closure. He said there was water coming through the in-wall Lyons said the county ordered it closed. Klumph said there was nothing about rebuilding it and Morrow said the repairs will require that and there is rust. Harris said to table it until Klumph gets the cost. Lyons asked if he wanted to rescind the motion. Klumph said he rescinded the motion. The bridge was tabled.

*A motion was made by Bill Klumph and seconded by Rose Lyons to approve the securing of an easement and egress to Huron Rd. in lieu of the bridge closing. The Cost will not exceed \$1200.00 Motion passed unanimously.*

*A motion was made by Bill Klumph and seconded by Rose Lyons to purchase 1 laptop for the police dept. for \$450.00. Motion passed unanimously.*

*A motion was made by Bill Klumph and seconded by Rose Lyons to pass Resolution 06, 2018 for the purchase of a new F-550 for the public works dept. and financing \$21,313.18 at 3.50% for 3 years. Motion passed unanimously.*

*A motion was made by Bill Klumph and seconded by Michaelene Harris to hire Mike Kudelko as the certified operator for 350.00 a month. Motion passed unanimously.*

*A motion was made by Bill Klumph and seconded by Michaelene Harris to hire Mike Murphy as a part time police officer effective August 01, 2018. Motion passed unanimously.*

*A motion was made by Bill Klumph and seconded by Michaelene Harris to hire Alex Molina as a part time police officer effective August 01, 2018. Motion passed unanimously.*

*A motion was made by Bill Klumph and seconded by Michaelene Harris to authorize official resolution 05 for a multimodal transportation grant from the Dept. of Community and Economic Development. . Motion passed unanimously.*

*A motion was made by Bill Klumph and seconded by Rose Lyons to hire Jason Lewis as full time for the public works dept. effective July 31, 2018. Motion passed unanimously.*

*A motion was made by Rose Lyons and seconded by Michaelene Harris to spend \$2000.00 for repairs to the South Pymatuning ball-field. Motion passed with Bill Klumph voting no.*

*A motion to hire Russ Shaffer fulltime was tabled.*

*A motion was made by Bill Klumph and seconded by Rose Lyons to adjourn the meeting at 7:39PM. Motion passed unanimously.*

*Respectfully Submitted*

*Rose Lyons*