

**PORTAGE TOWNSHIP
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING, MAY 3, 2017
4109 PORTAGE STREET, PORTAGE
2ND MEETING IN THE NEW BUILDING**

Chairman Bill Cooper opened the meeting with a salute to the flag and then offered a moment of silence.

Roll Call: Supervisor Jeff Kostan – present; Supervisor Bill Cooper – present; Supervisor Rick Olshvasky – present.

Public Participation

Mr. and Mrs. Chappell questioned the paper alley behind their house concerned the Borough was going to work on the ditch without the Township's consent. Supervisor Kostan assured her there will be no work on it, without the residents knowing or being involved. Supervisor Olshavsky also talked regarding paper alleys with the right of way and when the Township doesn't own it. (15 foot between the property owners) Without giving legal advice, he stated it becomes where the property owners should seek their own advice. (legal) After some discussion, Supervisor Kostan will keep them informed regarding this issue. Mrs. Chappell then thanked Supervisor Kostan for all his help.

Paul Erzal asked if the Road Master could come up and look at the water trouble he is having. Supervisor Kostan stated that he is aware of the situation, and as soon as they start black topping in different areas, they will take care of his problem.

Charlie Rimini representing the Portage Ambulance Association, thanked the Township for all the work they did hauling and spreading the millings for their parking lot. He also is so glad the municipalities are working together.

John Nicholson touched base regarding the ATV possibilities. Supervisor Cooper said nothing further as far as any info other than no putting such a question on a ballot.

Elwood Selepack questioned the amortization for the loan for the building.

Dave Rorabaugh questioned about the sweeping in Jamestown. Supervisor Cooper explained the sharing of the sweeper truck.

Approval of Meeting Minutes

MOTION made by William Cooper, seconded by Richard Olshavsky to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes dated April 5, 2017. Roll call, all in favor. Motion passed.

Secretarial Report

Motion made by Richard Olshavsky, seconded by William Cooper to accept the Secretarial Report as presented. Roll call, all in favor. Motion passed.

Road Master's Report

Motion made by Richard Olshavsky, seconded by William Cooper to accept the Road Master's Report as presented. Roll call, all in favor. Motion passed.

Code Enforcement Officer's Report

Motion made by William Cooper, seconded by Jeff Kostan to accept the Code Enforcement Officer's Report as presented. Roll call, all in favor. Motion passed.

Old Business

None

New Business

a. Variance request by Joseph and Kimberly Fox

Motion made by Richard Olshavsky, seconded by Jeff Kostan to approve the Variance request for Joseph and Kimberly Fox for a detached garage on their property (Allen Street) with the required signatures. Roll call, all in favor. Motion passed.

b. Bunny Dash donation

Motion made by Jeff Kostan, seconded by Richard Olshavsky to approve a \$3000.00 donation to help improve the basketball court down at the park. Roll call, all in favor. Motion passed.

Adjourn

Motion made by William Cooper, seconded by Richard Olshavsky to adjourn the meeting at 7:20 pm. All in favor. Motion passed.

Those in attendance tonight and who signed in: David Rorabaugh, Ron Portash, Joe Walters, John Crum, Elwood Selepack, John Nicholson, Jill Lamar, Candy and George Chappell, Bob Lutz.

