

## MINUTES - MAY 10, 2022

The Gilpin Township Board of Supervisors held a their regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, May 10, 2022, at 7:00 PM in the township municipal building. Roll call was as follows: Linda Alworth - absent; Jeremy Smail - absent; Charles Stull - present; Kris Kulick - present; Kevin Miller - present; Sharon Long - present; Tim Miller - present, Chris Fabec - present; Ted Long - present.

### VISITORS WRITTEN REQUESTS:

Chester Rea of 116 Pine Hill Drive spoke about all the changes that have happened in this township since he moved here.

Patty Newton of 180 Newton Lane spoke regarding the junk at her neighbors property. Isn't there an ordinance that can make them clean up their junk?

Sharon Long, Secretary Treasurer, presented the minutes from the previous meeting. Kris Kulick made a motion to approve the minutes. Kevin Miller seconded. Motion carried.

Sharon Long, Secretary Treasurer, read the financial report. Kris Kulick made a motion to approve the report. Charles Stull seconded. Motion carried.

Sharon Long, Secretary Treasurer, presented a bills to be paid list. Kris Kulick made a motion to pay the bills. Kevin Miller seconded. Motion carried.

Kris Kulick made a motion to have an executive session for potential litigation. Kevin Miller seconded. Motion carried. Session was held at 7:09 PM. Jeremy Smail came into attendance at 7:16 PM and joined the executive session. Meeting was called back to order at 7:24 PM.

Tim Miller, Solicitor, presented his solicitor's report. Kris Kulick made a motion to approve the solicitor's report. Jeremy Smail seconded. Motion carried.

Charles Stull made a motion to table the Sober Road discussion that was on the agenda since Linda Alworth asked for it to be on but wasn't in attendance. Kevin Miller seconded. Motion carried.

Charles Stull made a motion to approve the LERTA application of the Oberdorfs. Jeremy Smail seconded. Motion carried.

Charles Stull made a motion to approve the LERTA application of the Ruperts. Kevin Miller seconded. Motion carried.

Charles Stull made a motion to approve the mutual aid agreement with Hyde Park. Jeremy Smail seconded. Motion carried.

Chris Fabec, Chief, read the police report this month. Jeremy Smail made a motion to approve the report. Charles Stull seconded. Motion carried.

A discussion was held with the opportunity for the public to comment, on the regionalization with Freeport Borough. The following are residents spoke;

Tom Dubovi of Ice Pond Road stated that he has 33 years with the state police and he is against the regionalization. He feels that it is too high of a risk to have travel back and forth on Route 356 from Gilpin to Freeport.

Jim Teeters of 125 Shady Lane asked if anyone from Freeport approached South Buffalo to join with them instead of coming to Gilpin?

Terry Smith of 138 Lessig Road wanted to know if anyone looked into how many years are they planning on working on Route 356. Is there a trial period to see if this works? She feels that it is a beneficial to do a 1 year trial run.

Charles Minnich of Shearer Road thinks regionalized departments is a good thing but thinks that it should be with departments that are closer instead.

Franklin (Butch) Roofner of 506 Jack Road feels that merging with Leechburg or Parks would be easier to merge with since they are closer to our township.

Rob Pastva of 127 Sportsman Road wanted to know where does the increase of salaries come from since it was mentioned that joining forces would give opportunity for better pay.

Joe Sabot of 136 Banfield Road talked about the split that was mentioned in the presentation. The fees for the merger were a 60/40 split, is Gilpin the 60?

Charles Stull, Chairman, asked if there were anybody else that would like to speak on this subject. The floor was open for anyone to be able to ask questions or express their concerns. Although there were hand motions made and mumbling taking place in the crowd, nobody else chose to speak so the discussion was closed.

Charles Stull made a motion to remove Jodi Greiser, Hunter Tackett and William Rapone from their respective probations bringing them to their full rates of pay as defined in the contract. Kevin Miller seconded. Motion carried.

Sharon Long, Zoning Officer, read the zoning report. Jeremy Smail made a motion to approve the report. Kris Kulick seconded. Motion carried.

Kris Kulick made a motion to approve the application for a conditional use permit from Jon Rosengren. Jeremy Smail seconded. Motion carried.

Charles Stull made a motion to approve the conditional use of Jason McCarthy at 331 Lessig Road. Kevin Miller seconded. Motion carried.

Chris Fabec, Chief, presented the dog report for this month. Charles Stull made the motion to approve the report. Kris Kulick seconded. Motion carried.

Ted Long, Foreman, was read his road report for the month. Charles Stull made a motion to approve the report. Jeremy Smail seconded. Motion carried.

VISITORS:

Terry Smith of 138 Lessig Road wanted to know why Gilpin doesn't have a clean up day?

Kevin Miller made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Jeremy Smail seconded. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 8:32 PM.

Sharon Long  
Secretary Treasurer