

RICE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
3000 Church Road, Mountaintop, PA 18707
MINUTES
June 1, 2021

The duly advertised regular meeting of the Rice Township Board of Supervisors was held on Tuesday June 1, 2021, at the Rice Township Municipal Building, 3000 Church Road, Mountaintop with limited attendance capacity at 50 percent. The meeting was also being conducted using ZOOM. Copies of the Agenda, draft minutes of the previous meetings and Treasurer Reports were available to the public at the meeting and electronically by request to the Secretary/Treasurer. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Chair Robert Pipech called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. It was announced that the meeting is recorded for preparing the minutes. Interior cameras were also recording the meeting.

ROLL CALL: Arnold - here
 Pipech - here
 Smith - here

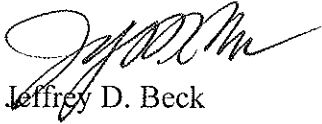
Also present were: Please see attached sign in sheet.

ENGINEER'S REPORT: Engineer Pasonick reported that New Enterprise Stone & Lime was the low bidder for the 2021 Pave Project. Pasonick summarized his telephonic meeting with Kirk Kreider, PA DEP dam expert. The existing sluice looks promising but capacity calculations must be rerun to ensure that the sluice and pipe meet the legal dewatering requirements. Pasonick will deliver the conceptual design to Kreider by next week. If Kreider approves the conceptual plan, then Pasonick will work on the extensive amendment application and operations and maintenance manual for the dam. Kreider said that the DEP review process of the application and manual may take several rounds. DEP is short-staffed and with new, inexperienced employees the review process could last into the fall. At that point, the lake would be dewatered again for the final construction. In response to a question by Planning Commission member Tom Romanyshyn, Pasonick said that the necessary gate and lifting mechanism for the sluice could take time to receive after the order was placed. While the actual construction might be only 3-4 weeks, the review process and gate order and delivery could drive the project into the winter. In response to Romanyshyn's desire to spray lily pads, Dean suggested that the Parks and Recreation Committee seek out prices and present options to the Supervisors, noting the need to follow 2nd Class Township bidding protocols. Resident Eric Breslin commented that the lakes were heavily used.

PUBLIC COMMENT: There was no further public comment.

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Respectfully submitted,



Jeffrey D. Beck

Secretary/Treasurer