

**BERWICK TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
WORKSHOP DECEMBER 12, 2017**

The Berwick Township Board of Supervisors held a Workshop on December 12, 2017, 9:00 a.m. in the Berwick Township Municipal Building, 85 Municipal Road, Hanover, PA. Present were Supervisors Pete Socks, Barry Cockley, Earle Black, Tom Danner, Bob Foltz and Secretary Jean Hawbaker. The purpose of the Workshop is to discuss Capital Improvements, Road Master, and Sewer Plant Position.

Sewer Plant Operator - Ryan Swope of Swope Water Management sent a letter of interest and resume for the Board's consideration to operate the sewer plant. To figure any possible underlying issue at the plant and to get to know the sewer plant, and the capabilities of township employee, Brian Ernst, would cost approximately \$5,000 for the first month. After any issues are resolved, going to the sewer plant twice a week would be approximately \$1,800 per month. Mr. Swope will give the Board proposals for all 5 lift stations.

Bob Foltz stated he pulls the pumps now. Everything needs to be kept cleaned. This is repetitious work. I have a list at the plant on what needs to be done. Sewer mains are located for PA One Calls with green paint, listing the size and type of pipe and township initials. As-built plans are located at the plant. The manholes will need to be cleaned off. The key is to keep everything clean and spotless. Mr. Foltz stated he is willing to work with whomever is hired, and will create a list of things to be completed.

Earle Black made a motion to hire Ryan Swope of Swope Water Management as sewer plant operator in Berwick Township effective January 1, 2018, seconded by Bob Foltz. **Roll Call: Black – yes, Cockley – yes, Socks – yes, Danner – yes, Foltz – yes. Motion carried unanimously. The Secretary was instructed to send a letter to KPI Technology notifying them.**

Sewer Truck Paint Quotes

The quotes received, resulted in the following:

Dave's Auto	1,950.00
Crash Clinic	7,500.00

Barry Cockley made a motion to accept the quote from Dave's Auto in the amount of 1,950.00 allowing a little extra if he would happen to go over this amount, seconded by Earle Black. **Roll Call: Black – yes, Cockley – yes, Socks – yes, Danner – yes, Foltz – yes. Motion carried unanimously.**

Race Track Road Resurfacing – Earle Black will contact someone to give a rough estimate on what would be involved with this project.

Irishtown Prices for Discarded Material – Earle Black stated they charge \$5.00 for a load of trees and brush, and \$15.00 for a load of rock or cement. Bob Foltz stated we use that fill for sinkholes.

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Capital Improvements – Items discussed included: Race Track Road improvements, leaf collection equipment and program, upgrades to the township building, conference room, garage bays, parking, adequate generator, storage room, heating system, salt sheds, possible curbing. The Secretary was instructed to create a list of capital improvements to be posted on the website to get input from the residents. Pete Socks stated this issue should be put under unfinished business every meeting.

Tom Danner and Earle Black will discuss the Board's expectations with Brian Ernst. Pete Socks made a motion appointing Brian Ernst as interim Road Master based on the discussion with Tom Danner and Earle Black, seconded by Barry Cockley. **Roll Call: Black – yes, Cockley – yes, Socks – yes, Danner – yes, Foltz – yes. Motion carried unanimously.**

Items to be listed on the next meeting agenda: Right-of-way issues with cell phone towers and Hometown Press newsletter.

Tom Danner made a motion to pay Bob Foltz for all unused vacation and sick time and write the check in 2017, seconded by Pete Socks. **Roll Call: Black – yes, Cockley – yes, Socks – yes, Danner – yes, Foltz – abstained. Motion carried.**

Barry Cockley made a motion to adjourn at 11:06 a.m., seconded by Pete Socks.

Respectfully submitted,

Jean A. Hawbaker
Secretary/Treasurer
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