

CDBG GRANT:

The application for the CDBG Grant was submitted to Community Development.

SHELL SUBDIVISION/LOT CONSOLIDATION PLAN NO. 1:

Mr. Sell reviewed the plan and comments were presented to the Planning Commission at their March meeting. A partial resubmission was received but some comments are still outstanding such as the planning module with the lots.

SHELL SUBDIVISION/LOT CONSOLIDATION PLAN NO. 2:

This plan will be under review and comments will be presented to the Planning Commission next week.

JACOBS GRADING PERMIT APPLICATION:

Jacobs has submitted a preliminary Grading Permit Application for the former Kobuta Hotel property. Mr. Sell will review it with the Planning Commission next week.

PLANNING COMMISSION:

The Planning Commission will review Shell's Subdivision/Lot Consolidation Plan No. 2 at their meeting next week. Copies of the Plan were delivered to the Beaver County Planning Commission.

Casey Harrington said that she received a complaint from a resident who said that her neighbor's chickens were coming onto her property and eating her flowers. She asked the Board if there should be a Township ordinance for urban chickens. Mr. Matsco stated that as we are a rural area, we don't want to regulate too much. She also stated that if an animal was on another resident's property or was destroying the land/water, it could be regulated with our Ordinances.

FIRE DEPARTMENT:

Asst. Chief Gabel and Casey Harrington report...

Asst. Chief Gabel reported that he and Chief Carlton gave their testimonials at the Columbia Gas Training Center last month and will be present at a photo shoot on June 6th for the fire departments involved in that training.

As a result of last month's meeting with the Supervisors and Mr. Jones regarding the IRS and the fire department's non-profit status, they are a lot closer to submitting their paper work to finalize this.

The upcoming Soup and Bake sale on Election day is tentative and may possibly be cancelled due to the unavailability of a separate room in the Township building on that day. Asst. Chief Gabel stated that the kitchen area may not be sound proof enough for the voters' privacy (Midge Conway from the Election Board stated she will look into that) and setup in the main hallway would limit access for disabled individuals coming in to vote that day. Mr. Shamp suggested holding the sale at the fire department with coupons for money off their purchase to entice voters to travel to their building to purchase items.

Casey Harrington will be placing WesBanco trifolders in the front hallway for individuals interested in opening a new checking account resulting in a \$50 donation to our fire department.

Ms. Harrington stated that the upcoming Wine Tour will be on June 11th. Tickets purchased from the fire department will be \$90 and will include 2 meals and tours of 3 wineries. Tickets can also be purchased online at Eventbrite for \$95.36. Any cancellations before May 27th will receive a refund of \$65.00. After May 27th, there will be no refunds. She stated that the department is excited to have Potter Township's resident sommeliers - Al & Vicky Cwynar assisting with planning the Wine Tour.

Ms. Harrington stated that the department currently has raffle tickets for May 10th.

ROAD DEPARTMENT:

The Township and co-op have finished sweeping all the roads. Ms. Matsco stated that she spoke with Penn DOT and they have no current plans to repair Raccoon Creek Road which is currently closed. She also stated that there is another slide further north on that road and cautions everyone to be safe and do not use that road. The Potter Township Volunteer Fire Department is currently responding to this side of Raccoon Creek Road calls.

Mr. Shamp informed us that the new skid steer for the Road Department arrived last week.

POLICE DEPARTMENT:

Potter Township received a report from the Center Township Police Department for services for last year. The police had a total of 196 calls for 2015. Officer Hall stated that it is a fairly good ratio for our area and nothing in particular jumps out as unordinary.

Officer Hall reminded us that as warm weather is upon us, the problem of ATV's on private property will begin. He asked the Township to heighten awareness with reference to our Ordinance in the newsletter. He also asks residents who spot the ATV's to get as much info as possible and call the Police Dept. - 724-775-0880.

SHELL APPALACHIA, LLC:

Mr. Minnitte reported that Shell is currently working on final documentation regarding last week's informational meeting with the Supervisors and Mr. Jones.

He also stated that he was notified by Penn DOT that there will be road closures on Route 18 near Raccoon Creek Road from 9am on April 26th to 5pm on April 27th. A lot of those in attendance were upset this falls on Election Day and could hurt the turnout. Ms. Matso will call Penn DOT to confirm this information.

REAL ESTATE TAX COLLECTOR:

Christie Floyd-Gabel, Real Estate Tax Collector, submitted a real estate tax collection report for the month of March.

CITIZENS:

George Barnes asked why he had to attend a Work session to discuss removing the timber lying on the ground on the backside of the Tank Farm. Ms. Matsco explained that because of liability issues, it is recommended that Mr. Barnes attend a Work session to discuss any possibilities of removing the timber.

Midge Conway stated that she is very unhappy with the increase in her water rate with the Municipal Water Authority of Aliquippa. She stated that even though the MWAA installed a larger meter on her property last year, that should not be a reason for such a large increase, as she uses approx. 2,000 gallons a quarter and is now paying twice what she used to pay. Ms. Conway stated that it is not possible for her to visit the MWAA to get the answers she needs. The Board has asked Ms. McCoy to reach out to MWAA to see if they will set up a meeting at our Township building so our residents can ask questions and get a better understanding of what is taking place.

Joe Hall asked about the Betters Reassessment Mandamus action. Mr. Jones explained the reason for the Mandamus action and stated that Potter is not part of a lawsuit - the Township is only asking to be a part of the informational process so we can keep an eye on things as the county currently has a few non-experienced employees this year that will take part in this action. This request by the Township will allow us to intervene to protect our interest. Mr. Hall asked how long this could take and Mr. Jones stated that it could take a very long time and the county may find other ways to repair the discrepancy that exists in the assessment process in the County.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

MOTION: Earl Shamp

SECOND: Al Cwynar

MOTION CARRIED

TO APPROVE THE TREASURER'S REPORT AND PAY THE BILLS FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL. THE BALANCE IN THE GENERAL FUND BEING \$353,044.74, THE STATE LIQUID FUELS FUND BEING \$23,056.50, THE CAPITAL FUND BEING \$90,038.78, THE ESCROW FUND BEING \$45,603.25 AND THE WAGE TAX FUND BEING \$59,833.14. BILLS FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL FOR ALL ACCOUNTS TOTALED \$98,322.47.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The Planning Commission will hold its monthly meeting on Thursday, April 21st at 7:00 pm.

The 2016 Pennsylvania Primary Election will be held on Tuesday, April 26th at the Township Building from 7am - 8pm.

The Potter Township Volunteer Fire Department's Soup & Bake sale on Election Day is tentative.

The Boy Scouts are hosting a Spaghetti Dinner on Saturday, April 30th from 4pm - 7pm.

The Supervisors will be conducting a Work Session on Wednesday, May 4th at 6:00 pm.

The next Regular Business Meeting of the Supervisors is scheduled for Wednesday, May 11th at 6:00 pm.

MOTION: Al Cwynar

SECOND: Earl Shamp

MOTION CARRIED

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:25PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda McCoy, Secretary