

The regular meeting of the Eldred Township Supervisors was held on August 3, 2021, at the Eldred Township Building.

Call to order by Chairman Greeley.

The meeting was opened with a salute to the flag.

Roll Call: Caldwell, Ross, and Greeley present.

Public Comment:

1. Rosalie Steele to represent the Water Authority and any questions asked.
2. Susan Boring to represent the Water Authority and any questions asked.
3. John McBeth reported that while working the on O'Donnel House, he noticed that the flashing reduced speed sign has dramatically reduced the speed of the vehicles, especially the semi-trucks. He believes it to be beneficial to purchase a sign if funds are available. Supervisor noted that Brian Smith is working on State Project to see if state can purchase Eldred the sign and Eldred does the upkeep of the sign. Greeley and Ross went to the meeting with PennDOT and multiple other important groups, but PennDOT will not fix the situation and lays all costs on Eldred Twp.
4. Pat Conway wants to know how the TWP was able to put the Twp. into 2-million-dollar dept with a vote from the citizens of Eldred. It was explained that we followed the directions by the State and that the Supervisors vote on this for the Good of the People and Eldred Twp. voted on an updated Ordinance that was already in place from the 1980's (believe it was 1988) and it was published in the paper, Solicitor looked over the ordinance, and our hands are tied with state protocols.
5. Nancy Clark called the Supervisors Communists and said that she had a petition with 40 signatures against the new water lines in Eldred Township but was not ready to give the petition to any members of Eldred or Water Authority.
6. Karen Gilhousen stated that she wanted and educated person to make decisions for the Twp. and was concerned because she had not received anything about the water project and or the extensions and had heard it by rumor. She wants to be informed. Residents that are not part of the expansion did not get notified, residents that are in the expansion received letters from the Water Authority. She asked who appointed the Water Authority and that is a supervisor vote: No one wants to be on the board, and we finally have a good group of people working for the Water Board. Greeley stated he was getting a 19-million-dollar grant to get the entire Twp. water. Gilhousen said no one should be forced to take the water if they have good water. She is also concerned that a lien can be put against the homeowner if the water bill is not paid. Currently there are est. 106 households that are on the new water tap system and the feasibility to loop the water is due to water not lying in the lines-continues to rotate. Any household that is 150 feet from the line must hook in and cannot use their previous water source or it will mix into the system.
7. It was stated to all the members of Eldred Township that were concerned about the mandate to contact Dush (State Representatives) to change the distance from the state level. The Twp. will also write a letter to State Representative to see if any change can be made.
8. This ordinance has been stated since 1980's and reinstated for the loan purpose. The debt belongs to Water Authority, not Eldred Twp. taxpayers.

Motion by Ross second by Caldwell that the minutes and Treasurer's report be unanimously approved as presented. 3 Ayes. Motion Carried.

TOTAL RECIEPTS: \$8,135.24

TOTAL EXPENDITURES: \$28,807.10

Motion by Caldwell second by Ross that payment of invoices in the amount of \$18,908.95 be approved. Vote: 3 Ayes. Motion Carried.

Motion by Ross second by Caldwell that payment of the payroll for the month of July in the amount of \$9,898.15 be approved. Vote: 3 Ayes. Motion Carried.

Road Master's Report: Mowing is continuing in the area. Hager Paving did a good job on the reference number project:21-33205-001 on McManigle, Ferguson, part of Greeley.

Unfinished Business:

1. Re-list the 2001 Mack Dump Truck on Municibid as the previous winner did not pay the winning bid.
2. List the 2001 350 on Municibid.
3. Waiting on Vince with the Broom situation. Greeley estimated \$6,000.00 to \$8,000.00 to repair. Roadmaster is to check on the Broom to see when it will be done.

New Business:

1. Supervisors agreed to pay Hager Paving in the amount of \$47,788.14. Reported that it was a job well done.

Other Supervisor Comments or Concerns: NONE

Chairman Greeley adjourned the meeting at 5:15 p.m. with the next regular scheduled meeting to be held on September 7, 2021, at the Eldred Township Building at 4:00 p.m.

Secretary

Kelly Ross