

**Donegal Township Board of Supervisors**  
**Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes**  
**October 7, 2021**  
**6:00 P.M.**

The meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Donegal Township was called to order by Vice-Chairman, Tammi Iams at 6:02 p.m. The meeting was held at the West Alexander Fire Department. The meeting was held as a virtual meeting utilizing a Zoom Video Conferencing Application with residents attending by computer, cell phone or landline, and in person due to the Coronavirus pandemic. Announced Executive Meeting was held on September 29, 2021 at 3 pm to discuss personnel COVID exposures.

Board members in attendance by Roll Call; Tammi Iams, Edward Shingle, Richard Martin, and Kathleen Croft Also in attendance: Lane Turturice - Solicitor, Heather Wood - Assistant Secretary/Treasurer. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was recited. Vice-Chairman Iams announced the meeting was being recorded, and is also being recorded by the public.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Rick Newton - Revitalization Project - talked about their progress, fundraising, added members to the Steering Committee. Mr. Newton stated that they have a great Corporate sponsor. Planning partner HRG; post all on their project website. Stated a public input meeting will be held on October 26, 2021 at 7 pm at McGuffey High School. Top themes, infrastructure with broadband internet, parks and recreation; Dutch Fork as example, and economic development around Claysville.

Lisa Cessna - Director of Planning for the County - Tunnel #2 - As they know they had a failure on the 1 portal, that they have blocked off; they don't want anyone in there. They have evaluated a draft report from their engineer and discussed property issues. Wanted take from residents on opinions for the tunnel; repair a portion or full rehab, fill and seal (flowable fill to stabilize). County is evaluating from their end; the tunnel is in bad shape in addition to the portal collapse. Tunnel is just over 800' long. County would like consensus on what the Township would like to see done. County takes on the financial burden. Mr. Newton mentions the trail already in place (beginning) is getting a lot of attraction. If possible could have a rail for trail from Washington D.C. to Cleveland. Mrs. Cessna stated if they fully stabilize they would have to line it and then it would lose the historic value. Tunnel #4 (closer to Claysville) is easier. Land acquisition on Tunnel #2 could take 20 years to complete. Cheapest route is to cap and close it. Maintaining it will be costly over the years. Mrs. Cessna is trying to set a meeting with the trail committee; give plans, get alternatives.

Eric Graham - Progress on Popular/Highland project

J.D. Martin - Minutes are vague, inconsistent, incomplete, page 2 doesn't make sense, not official as to who made motion to add to the agenda. Had a lengthy conversation about Pa American Water and Kathy Croft contact she was working with. Don't see anything in there about begging and pleading. Wants the minutes to dictate a clear picture of all that occurred at the meetings.

#### ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA:

Ed Shingle stated that the Township should not pay for Aflac and requested that Aflac removal be on November's agenda. If the employees want to keep it, it can be a payroll deduction. Lane Turturice asked if it would affect the collective Bargaining. Mr. Shingle replied "it's not in the collective bargaining, I only been 3 freakin years trying to get this done."

J.D. Martin asked about the Water Authority thing since nothing in the minutes or on the agenda; motion was made (for office) to handle, Mrs. Croft stated "she actually contacted him and spoke to him and sent over the information that they would require" Mrs. Iams stated it would be included in her report.

Mr Shingle made a motion for a forensic audit. Mrs. Croft seconded. Mrs. Iams questioned if it could be added; Mrs. Wood stated since it was an expenditure of money it would have to go on the next agenda per the ACT. Lane Turturice agreed. Mr Shingle stated that the school added a public comment at the end of the meeting to comply with the new law. Mr. Turturice reiterated that you cannot add items to the agenda if it would spend money. J.D. Martin asked if there was any proper way to add it to the agenda for discussion or if they could advertise for it, Mr. Turturice stated that would be spending money to advertise. Mr. Shingle stated we could solicit bids/proposals

J.D. Martin wanted to continue talking and couldn't hear as Mrs. Iams stated a couple times that this was not public comment. Mr. Martin asked to keep order.

Mrs. Croft made a motion to have a forensic audit added to next month's agenda. Mr. Shingle seconded it.

Roll call of votes:                      3 - YES                      1 - NO - Martin                      Motion carried

Mrs. Croft made a motion to have it added to next month's agenda to bring back Scott Dorsey. Mr. Shingle seconded it.

Mr. Shingle asked how come the AFLAC can't be added; Mrs. Wood stated it would be on next month's agenda. Mr. Shingle asked why can't we do it tonight? Mrs. Wood stated it didn't fall into the criteria, Mr. Shingle said we aren't spending money. Mrs. Wood stated I agreed but believes

it is a contract. Mrs. Croft asked if we could vote. Mrs. Wood stated voting on adding to next month's agenda to bring back Scott Dorsey motion.

Roll call of votes:                    2 - YES                    2 - NO - Martin- Iams                    Motion failed

Mrs. Croft made a motion to today's agenda to appoint Mrs. Iams as a liaison to the office for her to provide all information and documents needed to Croft and Shingle to conduct their jobs as Township supervisors. Mr. Shingle seconded the motion.

Mrs. Iams said all she had to do was ask the office. Mrs. Wood stated that I always ask all if they need anything and mentioned how I am always removed from emails when it is duties/projects I am working on. Mrs. Croft said we had a motion and a second. Lane Turturice stated she tried to take a motion that curtails the duties of a township supervisor; they are outlined in the 2nd Class code. Mrs. Iams asked with the current litigation that she doesn't think she could vote nor Mr. Martin or Mr. Fidler that was brought on by Mrs. Croft. Mr. Turturice stated the duties that Mrs. Croft is trying to impose on Mrs. Iams are the duties of the Secretary. Mr. Shingle stated they refuse to hire and interview one. Lane pointed out that they have one; Mrs. Croft stated Iams could act as the liaison.

Roll call of votes:

Audience : People would like to know what is going on, Mrs Croft I believe it would be best to create a buffer

Roll call of votes            2 - YES                    0 - NO                    2 - Abstain (litigation)                    Motion failed

Lane Turturice stated for the record if a Supervisor needs information then they should contact the Secretary to get any information they are seeking. Mrs. Shingle said there is a problem there; Turturice stated probably right and not at liberty to discuss. Mrs. Wood stated that I asked in email numerous times to the two that made this motion if they needed or wanted anything and they go ignored or they remove me from emails that pertain to my job. Mrs. Shingle stated they can't get things on the agenda. Mrs. Wood they remove me from emails, and refuse to answer my emails; the job can't get done when not acting in good faith. J.D. Martin stated we are opening ourselves up for another problem. So additions to the agenda, the minutes from last month....Mrs. Iams called out of order. Mr. Shingle made a motion to add to tonight's agenda to direct Scott Dorsey to show up to work. Mr. Turturice said you can't do that. J.D. Martin, point is the additions to the agenda. Mr. Turturice said call state rep to complain as they wrote the law. This is a new law; we are all learning, it may have been wrong last month. Just because we were wrong last month doesn't mean we should be wrong now. Mrs. Wood stated if wrong too many times that we could be fined. Mrs. Croft says technically I ask every month for you(Heather Wood) to be added to the agenda and that never happens so there ya go.

Mr. Turturice stated that you cannot come to the table with items and throw it on there. Mrs. Croft, we try go through Mr. Fidler, and never actually happens, so what do you want us to do? Turturice, all I know is that I see emails every month with items to be added to the agenda and let the Secretary know, and Heather is saying that no one ever responds to those, that is the

person you should be going to. Mrs. Wood stated that I had numerous emails asking both Croft and Shingle if they wanted or needed anything, neither responds. Mr. Shingle stated not to talk over him. Mrs. Croft stated she has asked and Mr. Fidler has denied them.

#### ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA:

Mrs. Iams made a motion to adopt the meeting agenda as presented. Mr. Martin seconded the motion.

Roll call of votes: 3 - YES 1 - NO - Shingle Motion carried

Mrs. Croft asked if this included the additions; Mrs. Wood stated only one; its for next month

Mr. Shingle stated he wanted an agenda meeting prior

Mrs. Iams made a motion to table to the minutes from the Board of Supervisors Regular Monthly Meeting held on September 16, 2021. Mr. Martin seconded the motion

Roll call of votes: 3 - YES 1 - NO - Croft Motion carried

Mr. Shingle asked the purpose of them to be tabled. Mrs. Croft asked prior to the meeting so we could fix some of the problems. Mr. Shingle stated they will stink just as much next month.

#### FINANCIAL BUSINESS:

Mrs. Iams made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report August 1, 2021 through August 30, 2021 and September 1, 2021 through September 30, 2021. Mr. Martin seconded the motion.

Mrs. Croft asked if these are the bills that have been paid? Mrs. Iams that is correct. Mrs Croft asked if she only had September, Mrs. Wood stated that she received August prior as it was tabled and she had them in her packet. Mrs. Croft asked if we been paying the water bills? Mrs. Iams stated yes when voted on; they are always been on the unpaid bills list. Mrs. Wood stated that bill was not what they considered recurring and been that way since 2019. Mrs. Iams stated it was not paid last month. Mrs. Wood stated that Croft and Shingle voted not to pay bills (2-2 for August unpaid bills). J.D Martin said should be a recurring bill; his definition is its a bill you get every month consistently. Mrs. Iams stated if she wanted to make them a recurring she didn't have a problem with that but is nice to see the amount that we pay to the amount that comes in as income to make sure we don't get into the situation as in 2017 when there was a large leak.

Roll call of votes: 2 - YES 2 - NO - Croft - Shingle Motion failed

Mrs. Iams stated can't give out the Treasures report since it failed and it is not legal. Mr. Shingle said" that horse already escaped the barn."

Mrs. Iams made a motion to open an interest bearing savings account and move the ARPA monies in the amount of \$127,591.77 that we received already and the future payment of \$127,591.77 per the newest recommendation of the Federal Income Department. Mr. Shingle seconded the motion with saying told ya so

Roll call of votes:                    4 - YES                    0 - NO                    Motion carried

Mrs. Iams made a motion to approve the bills as listed on the unpaid bills list dated September 30, 2021 for ACT 13 and October 4, 2021 for General, W&S, and Liquid Fuels. Mrs. Iams wanted to change it to read that: on unpaid bills list for General Fund under Harshman the one for \$2,136.50 change to \$2,137.50, on the Water and Sewage portion on the City of Wheeling motion to pay bulk only rate on these bills which is \$3.79 and not the extra 50% because we are no longer in contract with them and therefore we fall under their tariff, which is the \$3.79. We are not outlined on the tariff individually as a Township and under WV PSC they can only charge us the \$3.79. Mr. Martin asked about the late fees. Mrs. Iams stated she would like to move the Nation Road Utility and the Stewart Contracting from water and sewage to ACT 13. Add Ohio County PSD that came in late in the amount of \$4,342.04 under the Water and Sewage. The Wheeling Water bills that just came in; 2 of them, in packets, also pay them just on the bulk rate; \$3,865.90 and \$8338.00. Add Stewart....Mr. Shingle said not a soul would know what they are voting on. Mrs. Croft stated the \$7000 bill for paving that it would be nicer. She questioned the water bill from the leak is \$12K. Mrs. Iams stated that this is adding the bulk, under law they cannot charge us the extra and asked Mr. Turturice if she was correct. Mrs. Croft interjected and said she was asking if she is correct in her lawyer slothingting skills. Mr. Turturice said yes, and that is an issue we need to bring this up with Wheeling Water; once paid they will not give them the money back so recommends paying from their tariff, since we have been without a contract for a very long time. Mrs. Croft asked if we could use the ARPA money. Mrs. Wood said it didn't fit the guidelines. Mr. Shingle disagreed. Mrs. Croft said that we have a water system where people couldn't pay the bills so now apparently we are liening people. Mrs. Iams stated that is in the rules and regulations. Mrs. Croft yes but now you are liening people in our community. Mrs. Iams stated that Mrs. Balach liened people too; it hasn't changed. Mrs. Croft the point is why can't we use that money. Mr. Shingle said yes, we have \$127K. Iams asked Turturice if he knew. Mrs. Iams states the only other thing is the cold patch invoice from Hei-way. Cause didn't know where to put it cause couldn't put it to Liquid Fuels because it was not bid so her question to the Board was to pay out of General Fund or Act 13. Mrs. Croft stated it should come out of the water. Iams stated it is cold patch for the roads. Mrs. Croft asked why the cold patch wasn't bid; couldn't we get off the county bid. Iams stated we didn't bid with the County and it also was not on their bid due to the covid, nothing was bid. Mr. Shingle asked why we are discussing it right now.

Mrs. Croft asked how much Stewart and National were combined, Iams stated \$33,862.41 and she would like to pay out of ACT 13 because ACT 13 has only been hit by the water since 2012 for \$11K. That is the only time it's been hit. Mrs. Croft said you're separating the water and sewage, so when I said it was \$189K that was correct; I just didn't separate the water and

sewage out; Mrs. Iams stated that she needed to look at the report she sent her regarding the breakdown. Mrs. Iams reiterated the tariff of WV regarding the \$3.79. Mrs. Croft said the contract said we pay the extra (50%) Mrs. Iams stated again that the contract has been expired and does not have an automatic option. Mrs. Croft states if you contract with your employee falls through that you just don't pay them 0 cause you hope that what they'll take. Mrs. Iams stated that Wheeling Water is a public utility and is different because the fall under the PSC they vote on tariffs and have to publicize them and that is what they charge. JD. Martin asks if we have to have a second before we discuss. Mr. Shingle stated yeah. Mrs. Croft asked if there was a way we could adjourn this and do in public when everyone can get in the same room., just reconvene it next week, as much as she would hate to that but obviously some things that are very convoluted. Mrs. Iams agreed that she says this is an issue, would hate to hold aside and talk about it but hate to not pay the bill but paying the bill at the wrong rate when Wheeling won't have a meeting with us. Mr. Turturice stated that they were suppose to have a meeting but due to quarantine issue couldn't attend. Mr. Shingle said to send them a dollar. Mr. Turturice said they have another public meeting in 2 weeks, Mrs. Croft said there are other supervisors in Donegal Township who could have attended. Mr. Turturice asked if Kathy would attend the meeting with him? Mrs. Croft, "sure, tell me date and time and she will show up in Wheeling" Mrs. Croft stated she was not offering an olive branch, what I'm saying is I'm trying to do whats best for the people of Donegal Township and if that means going with you to a meeting in Wheeling then I do what best, now in the meantime, can we get back to business or you still gonna chit chat quietly in the corner, alright, here we go Tammi, you have a motion that is very convoluted but no 2nd correct. Mrs. Iams stated that is correct, and asked Lane if it is possible to pay the \$3.79 if it is not I will amend. Mr. Martin seconded the motion.

J.D. can we have discussion, so if you don't have a contract, been a mess for how long, shes saying that is all they allowed to charge, why would you pay them more than what you owe them? Mrs. Croft said if they are wrong and Eric who has faithfully been paying his bill and gets shut off.... Mrs. Iams stated she was in the same boat. J.D. Martin stating he is agreeing with Mrs. Iams. Mr. Graham asked if not under contracted are they required by PSC to still provide water or can they shut the water off since we don't have a contract? Mr. Turturice stated that would be astronomical and catastrophic under the circumstances in which we have a track record every month since April trying to get meetings with them. Mr. Shingle stated it was before that, that Mr. Makel even tried. Mr. Graham asked if they can turn the water off? Mr. Turturice stated he can't answer that as Mrs. Croft is stating yes they can turn the water off, they will turn the water off. Mr. Turturice stated he could foresee a public water authority shutting the water off to an entire town. Mr. Shingle stated he didn't have an issue paying the reduced rate until it is hashed out, as long as you've made some payment, I don't think they can shut your water off and apparently they've been treating us like a red headed step child anyway. Just because we are on this side of the state line we pay 50% more. J.D. Martin stated we talked about this last month regarding going to a meeting and try to shame them into meeting, in the meantime if Tammi is correct at least you're paying something and they are overcharging us, another item don't agree to pay a bill if you didn't receive it yet, that there fault. And the 3rd thing National Road and Stewart is is private, independent, not water authority, we had an emergency they came, you got the product from them, the service from them, they shouldn't be penalized

because we can't get along, they should be paid. Mr. Shingle stated no one said we didn't want to pay them. Mrs. Croft asked what we owe Wheeling Water currently. Mrs. Iams stated we owe them the last bill and this bill. Mrs. Croft stated we owe them \$53K. JD Martin asked based on what rate, Mrs Iams reminded all that this is for 2 months; and has late fees. JD Martin stated why pay a bill that wasn't received. Mrs. Iams stated all bills have been received, they all have them. J.D. Martin stated if you keep paying them the bulk rate why would they want to enter into contract; quit paying it all together. Mrs Iams stated if we pay them the bulk rate it be \$27,153.20 and that without late fees. Mr Graham stated that not right then Mr. Shingle said that is half the \$53 so that can't be right. Mrs. Iams said if you look at the bills that were given there is bill has late fees on it; 10%; Croft says "ok" Iams stated the bill from 8-3 to 9-3 due 9-27 is \$3.79 rate is \$3892.12 the 50% amount is \$1942.92 the 2nd bill because we have a dual meter is \$7,375.34 and the 50% is \$...Interrupted by Shingle asking the dates of the bill and Mrs Croft asking if on 9-27 we owed them \$11K? Mrs Iams stated yes, it was a \$11 plus 5 cause you have to add the 2 bills together because this is the dual meter. Mrs Croft says yes it's \$11 on one debit and almost \$6 on the other; Mrs Shingle says \$5,800 Mrs Iams says what I'm trying to tell you is the \$7K was the bulk. The 50% on that one is \$3677.94. Mrs Croft asks "so what your saying on the \$5K bill we owe \$3K. Mrs Iams said if you take the \$5839.04 the bulk is \$3896.12 Mrs Croft asks what the bulk amount is on the \$11? Mrs. Iams said \$7375.34. Mrs Croft asked what the bulk amount on the \$25K Mrs. Iams said remember that is 2 bills in it, Mrs. Croft said yes I know. Mrs Iams continued the bulk on that is a \$12K bill \$8338.00 Mrs. Croft says the other is \$25 . Mrs Iams stated when you're looking at the \$25K bill is taking into account the current balance and your previous balance that wasn't approved for payment. Mrs. Croft says "ohhh i see" Mrs.Iams said the other thing I will bring up when you look at the 9-3 bill on that bill it says total due \$5839.04 it says after 9-27 you still owe \$5839.04 now on my bills she gets on all her bills it will show amount due after has a different amount on it; they didn't put the total of the 10% late fee on our bill. They are not sending us a bill to inform us correctly of what we would owe if we were late. JD. Martin asks how long without a contract. Mr. Turturice stated at least a year. J.D. Martin so we've been paying the addition all along so you're paying \$1.90 more. Mrs. Iams stated if J.D. wanted to see the bills he could as Mrs. Croft has them there. He stated we should be paying what they are legally allowed to and shame them, that they can't shut us off if we pay what we should be. Mrs. Croft stated that we went 6 months without paying the bills; they won't notice anything. Mr. Turturice stated their elected officials probably don't know what is going on but when they get their check and it's short they may notice then. Mr. Shingle said he was ok with doing away with the late fees, sending them the minimum, "send them a dang check and let them decide what they want to do." J.D. Martin says with a letter with an explanation. Mr. Shingle says he don't want to pay late fees because he's not concerned with withholding because trying to get them to negotiate' pay bulk rate and move on good grief. Mrs. Iams stated that was her part of her motion. Mrs. Betty Shingle asks if this is about water or all...Mrs. Croft says it's about all of it. J.D. asks what they would do individually, what would they do...Mr. Shingle stated he would give them \$50 and if they refuse it they are in trouble. Eric Graham stated he would pay the whole bill and sell the water company to someone else. Mr. Shingle said there are other bills we have questions about. Betty Shingle says it seems like the water should be one thing. Mr. Shingle asks the motion again.. Mrs. Iams repeated (see above)

Mr. Shingle stated they would have a stroke if we paid early; can we get a discount if we pay early. Mrs. Iams continued her motion, stated she didn't address the Stewart \$6800 because she didn't agree with it right now; the amount of paving at that cost needs investigated. Mr. Shingle asked if that was the \$7K one she said yes. Mr. Shingle said part of the confusion Tammi is lets make your motion into a couple shorter motions. Mrs. Iams ok I will retract my original motion and how about we do the General Fund by itself. Mr. Shingle said "ok" Mrs. Iams asked Mr. Martin if he would withdrawal is second as well. Mr. Martin stated he would withdrawl that.

Mrs. Iams made a motion to pay the General Fund on the unpaid bills list with the exception of Harshman, dollar correction and add the 2 Hei-Way bills for cold patch. Mr. Shingle seconded it. Roll call of votes: 4 - YES 0 - NO Motion carried  
Mrs. Croft asked if this was General Fund only. Mr. Shingle read Iams changes

Mrs Iams made a motion to pay the water and sewage, liquid fuels, and act 13 on the unpaid bills with the exception of moving the National Road and Stewart to ACT 13 in the amount of \$33852.41, adding the 2 Wheeling water bills that are due and only paying the bulk rate on all Wheeling Water Bills. Mr. Shingle said split into 2 again. Mrs. Iams said we will do unpaid bill list for water then and take rest off

Mrs. Iams made a motion to pay the water and sewage on the unpaid bills list with..Mr. Shingle asks what was it...Wheeling water out of what account? Iams stated water and sewage, Shingle asked only the bulk rate? Iams stated yes. Shingle asked if that was her motion. J.D. Martin asking the \$3.79 correct? Iams asked if she only wants her to do the Wheeling Water first? Shingle "yeah" Croft said she was on ACT 13 that what happened. Mrs. Iams said we will do again

Mrs. Iams made a motion to pay the Wheeling Water bills due from September and the one from October 5th, out of the water and sewage account only at the bulk rate, and no late fees. Mr. Shingle seconded the motion.  
Mrs. Croft asked the total of that. Mrs Iams stated \$23475.26 Croft asked if out of ACT 13...out of water and sewage? Iams stated water and sewage. Croft asked if that was all of the water bills. Iams stated yes, all 4 of the water bills. Croft asked if that would bring us to 0 or closer? J.D. asking if she included late fees. Iams confirmed no late fees  
Roll call of votes: 4 - YES 0 - NO Motion carried

Mrs. Iams made a motion to pay the rest of the unpaid bill list on Water and Sewage, by adding the Ohio County PSD on at \$4342.04 and moving the National Road and Stewart to ACT 13. Mrs. Croft asked what she was paying the rest of the bill, everything be paid out of ACT 13? Mrs. Iams said nope just National Road and Stewart out of ACT 13 and everything else out of water and sewage. Mr. Shingle asked except for the paving one from Stewart? Mrs. Croft said the paving one needs to be removed. Mrs Iams said the Stewart Paving bill is actually not even on the unpaid bills list. Mr. Shingle asked if it also included the reconfigured amount for the



traffic control. Iams said yes, making traffic control \$400. Mr. Shingle asked if we have it in writing. Mrs. Wood stated that nothing in writing that I talked to Mike Stewart. Mr. Shingle said they should have voided the invoice and did another one. Iams directed Wood to make sure it is noted.

J.D. Martin asked if he was correct that there isn't enough money in the water and sewage to pay all that, the National Road and Stewart from talks last month. Mrs. Croft said no, Wheeling raised their rates in July and it has never been passed on. J.D. Martin said wasn't sure if could use that American Recovery Act. Turturice said off top of his head he wasn't sure. Iams stated that Wheeling raised their rates for their customers and its in their tariff and the only amount that went up for us is their bulk; went from \$3.38 to \$3.79. Croft stated that the public would like the information of what you can and cannot pay because she knows you can bring back furloughed employees with that money. Turturice said Heather can get that. Iams stated Heather has the federal guidelines; it's huge. Wood stated that she gave Mr. Shingle the website at the last meeting. Mr. Shingle asked if that was in the minutes. Iams asked if Wood got the motion written down. Wood replied yes. And read again:

Mrs. Iams made a motion to pay the rest of the unpaid bill list on Water and Sewage, by adding the Ohio County PSD on at \$4342.04 and moving the National Road and Stewart to ACT 13. Mrs. Croft asked the total amount. Iams stated for ACT 13 \$33,862.41. J.D. Martin asked how much are in the accounts. Croft stated the general fund \$300K, Act 13 \$539K but the idea is ACT 13 should benefit everyone. J.D. says why not pay out of the general fund and then when the water authority gets sold it can reimburse the general fund. He asked if you are allowed to reimburse ACT 13, Croft said yea. Mr. Martin seconded the motion.

Mrs. Croft said we tried to make it a loan so we could recoup the loss. Mrs Iams stated that we already have 1 loan with ACT 13 that is why. Mr. Graham stating can't make loans out of it. Croft says "uh we already did" Graham states it is not one of the 13 things. Croft we did that in December. Iams stated she gave everyone in their packets in the department reports an ACT 13 spreadsheet for everyone from the time it was incorporated up until April of all the income and expenditures. The other thing Iams will say about water and sewage is, since we have a second now, is that the extra money that Donegal Township gets in the LSA grant and talks with Nathan Voytec that we get the \$25 when West Alexander and Donegal merged; there is something called local shares money, that we would not be able to get anymore local shares when Donegal took on West Alex, so what was decided on at Washington County is that because we would be loosing West Alex's money so they would give us that LSA grant money, \$25 that was supposed to be West Alex as an extra incentive when we took over. Croft says "ok" Iams states if that money was utilized by the biggest thing Donegal got, the water and sewage. Croft says the thing about water and sewage is the consumers should be paying off the debt, it shouldn't be a burden to the Township. Iams said we got the debt when we voted, the people voted to take on West Alex, I don't think they were well informed" Mr. Shingle stated "half those people are dead now" Iams said Washington County gave Donegal an extra \$25K every year in the form of a LSA grant and it's been utilized for numerous things, if we would have thought or understood that and we would have but that money into the water and sewage that came from West Alex we wouldn't be where we are today because we would have received over those years \$325K



previous motion as not to exceed \$75K out of ACT 13 the vote was: Croft yes, Martin yes, Iams, yes, Fidler yes, and Shingle yes. Shingle oh ok. Iams stated the motion read not to exceed \$7054.50, Shingle asked what it came in at, Iams stated it came in at \$6138.20. Croft asked what did it come in at again, Iams repeated \$6138.20, Croft so then why do we need a motion? Wood stated that she was asking for a code approval because if looked at the budget there is no line item. J.D. said he can't hear he heard LSA and ACT 13 and he just saw on the bank account balance written note that states waiting to hear back from Liquid Fuels might have to reimburse the General Fund \$67,927.39 JD asked if that was what she was talking about. Croft replied no, because we actually as a Board have never discussed what is wrong with the Liquid Fuels audit and why we have to repay \$68K. J.D. said, shouldn't that be on the agenda then, Wood stated it couldn't be on the agenda until PennDot gets back to us, as Mrs. Croft knows this happens every single year with an audit with Liquid Fuels, a gentleman in the audience said no it doesn't. Mrs. Iams also stated that we are waiting on PennDot. Iams said we are on the bills list, ACT 13 & liquid fuels. Mr. Shingle said he had questions about the boom mower and Turturice's bill. Mrs. Croft said I think we already did those. Shingle asked if we are voting on them right now or not. Mrs. Wood stated that the boom mower was included in the general fund to pay on the unpaid bills list. Mrs. Betty Shingle said no its not honey and Mr. Shingle said no, and laughed that why he said what are we voting on, we did the general fund, (Iams says right) we did just the water. Mr. Turturice said his bill was in the general fund. Mrs. Iams stated we did the general fund and water, now we are on liquid fuels and ACT 13. Mr. Shingle asked again if we did the general fund already. Mrs. Croft stated we did that first. Iams said yes we did. Mrs. Croft asked if there was anyone to answer what's wrong..Shingle over talked and asked how did he vote, Turturice said yes, Croft said he said yes and Betty Shingle said yes and also stated that you asked does it include all the bills because you have questions, 3 times you said that, and they said this was just the water. Mr. Turturice stated the very 1st one was general fund except the couple things she pulled out. Mrs. Croft "I've missed these zoom meetings" Shingle replied "yeah ain't they fun".Mr. Shingle said we started with the water, I don't remember doing the general fund. Mrs. Iams stated that the very 1st one was the general fund and all I changed on the general fund was the \$1 and add the 2 cold patch invoices, am I right Heather. Mrs. Wood read the first motion again, motion 2A " Mrs. Iams made a motion to pay the General Fund on the unpaid bills list with the exception of Harshman, dollar correction and add the 2 Hei-Way bills for cold patch. Mr. Shingle seconded it." I had 4 yes's. Shingle "ok", this is why I...Betty Shingle took over speaking said this is why this is all a problem. Mrs Croft stated the boom mower is \$6384.00.Gentleman in audience says I though Fidler said it was only a bearing. Mrs. Wood stated I have a motion and a second on Liquid Fuels and ACT 13. Mr Shingle said ok call the vote, Betty Shingle asked if she runs the meeting, just saying. J.D. Martin says we are having a discussion.

Roll call of vote:        3 - YES                                1 - NO - Shingle                                Motion carried  
Mr. Shingle said no it was not just a bearing and then there was a whole nother round of stuff.  
Mrs. Iams stated moving on...Audience still talking can't make out.

## DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Code Enforcement Report - In packets received by Mark Gordon

Fire Department - Eric Graham spoke at meeting -

asked about hydrant on Waynesburg Rd. - Iams stated it had to be ordered - water is shut off - John Foris has went out to look at it. Croft asked how the new one was going to be paid for. J.D. Asked if that is what happened to the boom mower. Shingle stated he went out and looked at it and the marker was all chewed up beside it. Croft said that needs to come out of the road crew budget and did anybody here know that that's what happened at the last meeting. Iams stated no and asked Croft if she told anybody about it, Croft said hydrant yes, the mowing no, I was told during the meeting that there was a hydrant that was a..Iams asked do we know if it was the mowing for sure, Wood stated that John Foris went and looked at the mower and he determined that is was not the mower. Shingle stated he had pictures, and you know what not just the little fiberglass thing is all chewed up but there is no tire tracks dug into the bank where someone bumper hit yeah. J.D. Martin asked "is that what happened to the boom mower". Croft stated yes. Shingle stated yes. Iams said we should discuss when we get the bill for the hydrant. Croft says the bigger question is that she thinks that the supervisor in charge of the road crew why that was not reported immediately because that is a tremendous issue and safety problem. Croft said it was a brand new hydrant. Iams asks Croft if she called Fidler and ask him. Croft asked "ask him about what". Iams did you tell him about the hydrant. Croft said we discussed it at the last township meeting and afterwards people started saying hey did you see where the mowing knocked it over. Iams asked if she talked to Mr. Fidler about it. Croft said my plan was to talk to...Iams again asked if she talked to Mr. Fidler about it Croft stated Mr. Fidler currently is not taking my calls, so. Mrs. Iams stated she believed he took her call the other day, um Croft said yeah but heShingle stated only one. Croft said that someone stated online hey you realize what happened and Mr Shingle went out and agreed and that exactly what happened so the question is why did someone mow it over and not tell anyone. Shingle asked why wasn't it reported. Mrs Iams said she didn't know anything about it, until after she was leaving the meeting and Brandon showed her a picture, Croft states that is when she found out about it too. Iams said she mentioned it to Mr. Fidler and he is not here. Mrs Croft asked if it was discussed about a hydrant being down and asked if it's in the minutes. J.D. Martin says it is certainly not in the minutes but that doesn't mean anything. JD. said it a tremendous cost to the Township, should have been addressed and reported. Shingle asked Graham if he got anywhere with PennDot about the guardrail...Graham stated he has not

Fire Marshal - Eric Graham - Again has a building that was built and is occupied without a Knox box in place, don't know who your building code official is but he asked before and mentions the Knox box ordinance and they shouldn't receive occupation until taken care of and its happened again. Graham said he to the point where he has no way to force anyone to comply with this ordinance. So he doesn't know what means for the Township has to force comply. Iams asked Graham to tell Heather and give her the addresses and she can talk to code enforcement. Graham said he will do that. Wood stated to Graham that he could email me if that was easier, he replied with "I will do that". He has 343 more days before he can enforce compliance.

Office and Water - Iams spoke - gave everyone an ACT 13 print out so everyone knows where we are at as I know there is some discussion about it, this will allow you to see all the income and expenditures over the last several years. We did talk to someone at PA American water, his name was Dan, PA American Water back when they originally talked to them the Township, they are steering away from Donegal Township water for several reasons 1) we have contracts with Ohio County still and they won't buy anything that is under contract 2) the other problem they have is that they are a Public Utility and we buy water from another Public Utility. They are researching right now to find out if they would be interested in running lines from Claysville, that way we could sever that tie with Wheeling; because 2 Public Utilities creates an issue. They are also looking at the capacity of the water because they might have to add a booster in. They are checking on that information and when I have it I will get back to everybody. Croft asked if they are checking that information or was we supposed to provide them with information so they could make a decision because the answer I got on the 21st from the big guy was not the same as what you are saying. Iams stated at this point, the gentleman I talked to would be going to the gentleman that you talked to and they are going to look to see if they are interested in extending and if there is capacity for that water, they don't need to know anything else at this point because we have a contract with Ohio County, they won't even consider us until we are out of contract. Croft says the problem is we have a contract with Wheeling Water and we have a contract with Ohio County for the water line, and we pay them a lot of money to transport the water from Wheeling to West Alexander, but maybe if we don't pay the bill they will just cut it off. So um when is the Ohio contract up. Iams stated it was a 40 year contract and its not for another 2-3 years. Croft says there was 2 contracts signed, 1 was 1980 and the other like 1982 so my guess, someone should look, I believe the Ohio County one is probably up next year. Graham says he was 13 years old. Croft reiterated Grahams remark and he remembers it exactly and was skateboarding with a delorean also. So. Iams said when she talks with the gentleman at PA American water that she will let him know that date, I told him we were still under contract with Ohio. Croft says that she finds it best with contracts that definite firm date, this is the date it expires.

Parks and Rec - Megan gave a brief email, they are not holding meeting but want to. She has requested the Township Building but I told her that couldn't be happening right yet due to the closure. I asked her if she would be on and not sure if one of the unknowns are her or not. We have some motions coming up with some things she requested but I can't advertise until they have a meeting location.

Police - Chief spoke - report 8-29 through 9-30 2021. 440 man hours 53 shifts, 63 calls for service, 202 events but not going to go down through and name each one of the calls but they are on the report. Reported 8 traffic stops, investigated 1 reportable and 3 non-reportable crashes, issued 9 traffic citations and 4 warnings, filed 4 non traffic citations, 1 criminal complaint, 1 involuntary commitment, estimated property lost for that period was \$331, estimated property recovered was \$25K it was a stolen vehicle they recovered, officers patrolled approx. 3488 miles used approx 252 gallons of fuel, there was no significant vehicle maintenance in that period. The Magistrate's office collected \$517.13 in fines for the month of

August. There was 1 accident report that was requested and sent out and that's it. Shingle said he had 1 question, recovered vehicle was it still worth \$29K

Road Department - Iams says she don't think anyone is one. Said the 1 thing that came to the office that Heather made sure all got was there's a change for the Building on the Electrical, she wanted everyone to know that the change will be reviewed by Harshman and once the bids come in they are going to present those to the Board, asked Heather if there was anything else to that? Wood stated the bid opening update will be November 4 at 1 p.m. he wants to review it before the Board votes on who to award the bid to that way can find any errors or concerns they may have. Shingle stated November 4, where? Wood stated at my office. SCroft says that is the day of the Supervisors meeting. Wood says correct. Croft asked if he would have enough time. Wood stated they are doing it the same way that Sarah did it for the STP, they don't want bids opened at Board meeting because that doesn't give, Croft interjected stating she suggesting that they open at that Board meeting she wanting to make sure that was enough time for them to review and have it back to us that night. Wood stated that is what he says, I stated that I questioned it too. Wood said it will be advertised twice in October, believe the 15th and the 29th if my dates are correct, but he stated it should be pretty smooth and would have the information back to you guys.

Solicitor - Nothing

Mr. Shingle said he had a questions since he didn't get to ask it when paying the bills and its a really simple one; why did your bill have stuff way back to July? Mr. Turturice stated because you didn't pay my bill for 2 invoice periods. Mr. Shingle stated he knew he missed last month cause we didn't pay any bills. Croft says its actually 6-25. Mr. Turturice stated those items were not included. Croft said he didn't do it. Mr. Turturice said it was there, it covered a different period and if you look at the invoices they match up. Croft says that's like Mr. Shingle figuring out that I didn't pay him for his brakes 2 years ago. MR. Turturice stated that she is misconstruing it. Iams asked if he had a report. Mr. Turturice said no I don't.

OLD BUSINESS:

Plumbers:

Mr. Shingle made a motion to rescind that. Mrs. Croft seconded.

Mrs. Wood stated she didn't believe they could make a motion. Mrs. Croft said you said retract, and there is a difference between retract and rescind, Shingle says yea.

Mr. Turturice asked if this was a motion that passed last month. Croft says yea. Iams asked if he was gonna motion to hire one of the ones that has been suggested ? Shingle says I don't know, all I am dealing with right now is to rescind the bidding. Mr. Turturice says your making a motion for #1 on the agenda. Croft says only half of it cause it should have been split into 2. Turturice asked why you do that, stick to the agenda. Wood stated that would be changing the agenda which goes against those new Sunshine guidelines. Mr. Shingle said except we are not spending any money. Croft says he is right. Wood stated that you also adopted the agenda as

presented. Shingle says got a motion and a second. Iams asked if he wants to cut the 2 apart. Shingle replied I made a motion to rescind the Board's action bid putting out for bids for plumber. Iams asked Turturice if it is more appropriate to make it has 1 or is it ok to make it 2. Shingle says Lane don't get to decide, I made the motion and I got a second. Mr. Martin asked if voting on #1 of the agenda. Wood stated no they changed the motion and actually #4 in the packet that I sent the Board, it doesn't fall in the guidelines to be able to do it this way.

Roll call of votes      2 - YES      2 - No - Martin - Iams      Motion failed

Mrs. Iams made a motion to retract the last month's motion authorizing Harshman Engineering to advertise and bid out a plumber and hire Bruno Plumbing and Heating to conduct the investigatory work with locating the lines within the building located at 34 N. Liberty St. Not to exceed \$1000.00. Mr. Martin seconded the motion.

Roll call of votes:      3 - YES      1 - NO - Shingle      Motion carried

Croft asked why are we not doing the lines outside. Iams says its to locate the lines at the Building. Shingle asked what drains. Iams states roof drains, inside, and outside. Shingle asked if Bruno would check the drains from the roof and asked if we sure, cause every plumber I know if they get on a 3 step ladder they are afraid. J.D. Martin says this is not the motion that was made last month, Ed made the motion and talked about the gutters, I talked about it Randy talked about it, the run off to put cameras in there to see where the water is going, this motion just says within the building but it is not accurate to the motion voted on last month and that why it needs retracted. Iams stated no J.D. If you remember the gutters are in the building, they are on top of the building and run down the side of the building. Croft says the ones in the gym are outside. Shingle says spend your \$1000 and move on

#### NEW BUSINESS:

Mrs Iams made a motion to approve Parks and Rec to hold a trunk or treating on Friday October 29, 2021 from 5:30pm to 7:30pm in the parking lot of 34 N. Liberty St. West Alexander, PA 15376; candy donations are being requested and can contact Megan Shingle if interested in participating or donating. And amended adding spend up to \$50. And to request Megan Shingle bring the money to the office and issue a check if requested. Mrs. Croft seconded the motion.

Roll call of votes:      3 - YES      0 - NO      1 - Abstain- Shingle (niece)      Motion carried

Croft says she didn't get a chance to ask her but is there a reason they are holding it before we are having Halloween. Wood stated she did bring that to her attention and stated that the 1st date given was October 24th from 2-4 and just received an email asking if she doesn't get enough donations she would like to spend \$50 for candy from the Parks and Rec money that she hasn't turned in. Shingle said for everyone involved there should be a paper trail, she should turn the money in and we issue her a check or something. Wood stated that she asked her a month ago to turn in the money that she collected from the fundraisers and haven't gotten it yet. Shingle said because every building is locked. Betty Shingle asked if they have their own account. Croft stated they do, but it's me and the Township, we control it. Iams said she can bring the money in and we can cut her a check and have a checks and balance, I agree with that. Betty Shingle asked where are we bringing the money into. Croft said I don't know I was

wondering the same thing. Wood stated I should be back next week and Megan has had the money for 2 months now and there has been plenty of time for her to bring it in.

Mrs. Iams made a motion to hold Trick-or-Treat the same as Claysville, Saturday October 30, 2021 from 6-7 pm. Mrs. Croft seconded the motion

Roll call of votes: 4 - YES 0 - NO Motion carried

Shingle said he going to represent every kid and they should be an hour apart. Iams stated that was fine does he want an hour before or after? Shingle said he really didn't care. Iams asked Chief Graham input. Croft said someone online says it should be longer than an hour. Iams asked for Eric's input. Croft said Eddie was just joking. Mr. Martin seconded the motion, Croft stated she already seconded it. Croft said apparently it didn't count. Shingle said we will see what the minutes say.

Mrs Iams made a motion to reimburse Mr. Horvath in the amount of \$1099.80 for his building permit; not able to build. Mr. Shingle seconded the motion.

Prior to the vote it was asked how much Municipal Consulting charged us, office to get figures.

Mr. Shingle made a motion to table. Mrs. Iams seconded the motion.

Roll call of votes: 4 - YES 0 - NO Motion carried

Shingle questioned how much went to Municipal Consulting and are they going to refund it.

Wood stated I will ask, not sure how they handled another persons in the Township but I don't believe that Municipal was paid back on another one that got refunded to a resident. Croft asked what does that mean? Wood says you have done these before, you refunded a building permit because the person claimed they didn't do the work, this one is definitely not building in this area, you refunded the resident and still paid Municipal Consulting. Shingle makes a motion to table till we find out what and if Municipal Consulting is gonna cough up their end, they didn't do anything for it.

Mrs. Iams made a motion to approve SWN heavy hauling renewal permit on Greaves Rd. for 1.1 miles; agreement, application, and fees have been received; escrow monies still in account.

Amended to have Engineer video the roads and verify previous escrow has been deducted. Mr. Shingle seconded the motion.

Roll call of votes: 4 - YES 0 - NO Motion carried

Shingle questions with this one and the next one, before we renew it has, I know on Main Rd. there was issues and some of their escrow money should have been spent. So we just letting them get off the hook and roll over year after year, your suppose to be pulling money out of the escrow. Wood stated that she knew SWN sent money after they were invoiced, wasn't sure if it was Main Rd. or not because that was when Judy was here and invoice didn't say road name. Croft said so it's not been videoed? Wood stated not this round yet as you all didn't approve it yet. Croft said its not mentioned in the motion that is why I asked. Iams said she will add video



the road as long as Mr. Shingle is ok with that. Croft stated by the Engineer. Iams stated she will video it and send to the engineer how is that? Shingle said he thinks the account should be settled on the old one before you renew the new one that's what I'm saying. Croft asked Iams if her and Mr. Fiddler video this a year ago? Iams stated don't know she gave it all to the office. Croft because we probably paid Mr. Fiddler mileage on it and which case that money for the mileage should have come out of the escrow. Shingle said that not the only one. Croft said we had this argument for 2 years. Croft said again when Mr. Fiddler puts in for mileage it should again be paid out of the escrow again and every time it is renewed it should be videoed again. Iams stated that Heather will make sure that happens. Shingle said we can't keep pushing it down the road is my point, I don't think we should renew that until that account is settled, it wasn't until a few months ago we got one where they scratched out the date on the check and wrote a new date. Iams asked didn't they just redo Greaves Rd, Croft asked what that has to do with anything, again that why revideo it. Iams stated she wasn't saying anything about the videoing she just asking in general. Croft asked what that has to do with escrow. Iams said my motion was to renew the permit. Croft said what we are saying is take the money from the last video and the money from the new video and it should be removed every month, Mr. Turturice is right as much as it kills me to say that but yes it should be done every month. Shingle said while we are at it the same goes with Tunnel Ridge. Chief stated he like to point out that it is PennDot recommendation to have an engineer inspect those roads in person and take the charge out of the escrow, that was PennDots recommendation and that was our engineer recommendation. J.D. Martin says he thinks that we took that recommendation and made it a policy that you voted on it and deviated from it. Iams stated the engineer has asked that it was just as easy for us to video and send it to them so they can review. Croft says then ask the backup engineer if they will do it. Shingle states the engineer is your employee. Iams states I will add that to the motion to have the Engineer video and paid out of escrow.

Mrs. Iams made a motion to approve SWN heavy hauling renewal permit on Main Rd. for 1.2 miles; agreement, application, and fees have been received; escrow monies still in account. Amended to have Engineer video the roads and verify previous escrow has been deducted.

Mrs. Croft seconded the motion.

Roll call of votes: 4 - YES 0 - NO

Motion carried

Eric Graham questioned how the escrow works, Croft explained it; if it drops below \$3K they have to bring it back up

Iams states that #6 is actually separated on #13 and #14 so I was gonna skip. Wood states that they will see it later.

Mrs. Iams made a motion to reject the bids submitted for the STP Site Upgrades due to the inconsistencies between submitted bids and the concern for the pricing as submitted, per the recommendations from Harshman Engineering. Mr. Shingle seconded the motion.

Roll call of votes: 4 - YES 0 - NO Motion carried

Mr. Turturice stated he also talked to Sarah as well and he agrees with her. Mr. Shingle stated he doesn't have an issue with rejecting the bids but would like to know what the bids were. He does have a problem with how it is on the agenda; motion to reject the bids, it should say discuss the bids that is a foregone conclusion and if I was out there listening to this. Turturice stated the motion was from last month. Wood stated that the motion came from Sarah directly. Shingle said Sarah doesn't get to make the motions, she makes recommendations, ok. J.D. says "that what it says, per the recommendations from Harshman." Iams said my question is Lane since you talked to Sarah, this is the one where one bid was \$9 instead of \$900. Lane said correct. Wood stated that was only 1 of the issues. Iams asked if we knew how she wants to rebid this project? Lane said I don't want to speak for Sarah but there may be a possibility for us to do some of the work or without bidding it. Iams stated that was stated in the letter they actually got quotes. Wood stated she doesn't want to piecemeal it down so much. Lane said right. Iams says that she recommends that we reject there. Croft said it should just say about the bid and at bottom say engineer suggests...J.D. and Shingle talking simultaneously can't understand what they each saying. Iams reads letter from Harshman; says right now we are just rejecting the bids that came in. Shingle even if the motion said accept/reject at least your leaving it open. Croft said it should say take action instead of having a foregone conclusion. Iams calls for the vote

Mrs. Iams made a motion to approve the JMPP bids as attached in the packets that were emailed to the Board. Mr. Shingle seconded the motion.

Roll call of votes: 4 - YES 0 - NO Motion carried

Shingle asked why we are bidding bags of salt. Wood stated that we didn't, that when the bids came in that was the only company that were bidding. A-Z janitorial services bid by the bag but Compass Materials bid it by the ton. Shingle states we are not listening to you. Iams asked is that the one that says for sodium chloride under A2. Croft said no it says Washington County is the only one that did it. Wood states to look at the very last spreadsheet with all companies, if you're seeing only bags you're looking at the A-Z Janitorial one, if you flip you will see Compass materials. Iams stated we are not on the bid for the bags, we are only on the one for sodium chloride in tons. Croft said it looked like that but when you look further back I don't see sheet that I looked at also because it said the we are signed up to the 50# bags. Wood stated nowhere did we signed up for the bags, even with the bid items we requested. Iams said correct, we are only with the sodium chloride and antiskid that didn't get bid and cold patch that got bid, the thing about the County whatever they award at any time if we decide we want something else that was on there we can add that to us but we did not bid the bags, we are only accepting right now what we have bid, the items I said. Shingle asked if we are required to take it. Croft stated no. Wood says why the bags are on there is because another township actually submitted a bid for bags cause they want it so what the County does is it gives the opportunity for Township. Shingle states the chart he looked at Donegal listed with the bags and that is the

only question I had. Wood says yea if you look at that sheet they offered it to all Township cause 1 Township wants it, that way if we needed or wanted we could piggyback but you don't have to accept the bags. Shingle asked if have to accept any of it. Iams says we are not obligated to take anything off the bid that is one of the reasons it is good to accept the County because you don't get penalized or you don't have to take it. Resident asked if they are using the bags to keep an accurate account. Croft says I;m assuming that most people with bags have sidewalks and there wanting something they can handle and do locally as opposed to unloading the bags into trucks and doing the roads. Wood stated that Mrs. Croft is right on that. Croft said we have a big bin they dump all the salt in.

Mrs. Iams made a motion to hold a budget workshop on October 19, 2021 at 7pm for the planning of the 2022 Budget; amended to advertise and to be held at the Fire Department as Eric Graham has stated it will be open.

Shingle said on the 30th at 6. J.D Martin says isn't that the devil's night. Croft asks a time; it has to be at night. Iams says 6 Croft said did you say 7 Iams says ok 7. Iams asked Eric Graham if the Fire Department is open so we could hold it there. Croft asked if they will be able to get all of their stuff by then? Iams asked Heather could have it all to them. Wood stated that I had a good start on it. Croft stated you said them , are you not going to be here? Iams replied she didn't know that answer yet. Wood asked are we adding to advertise, Iams replied yes to advertise. Croft asked if it was a work shop or a voting meeting. Iams said I would think more workshop. Wood stated you have advertised in the past that why asking. Croft reiterates that Turturice says if we advertise we can vote. Turturice says it is not a good practice but we can. Croft says if it just a workshop and were not gonna vote then we don't have to have it, the last time we did that however it was 5 hours long. Turturice said you should still advertise it. Croft states but we can't vote. Iams states this is just gonna be a 1st one nothing really to vote on, we just really need to work on a budget. Wood stated just so I'm clear we don't advertise it. Lane said yes advertise, Croft stated yes you do advertise it but you advertise it as a workshop not a public meeting. Shingle says "read the paper sometime, they are in there all the time." J.D. Martin question suggestion, so your saying your gonna have more than one she said. Shingle said there is always more than one. Croft says you'll have to have one at the end of the year to vote and accept the budget. J.D. Martin says what I was going to suggest is if your planning on having could you set dates and advertise them all at once to save money. Iams asked if I had a second. Wood replied no and theres is public comment. Croft says it is the scanner running. Wood says no I hear J.D. Martin. Mr. Martin seconded.

Roll call of votes:      4 - YES                      0 - NO                      Motion carried

Mrs. Iams made a motion to increase the water and sewage rates per the cost analysis provided by Harshman Engineering effective December 1, 2021 ; to also have the office review all accounts and verify being charged accordingly. Croft seconded the motion.

Mr. Shingle said you only filled in 1 blank. Turturice said it is in the cost analysis. Shingle asked how much. Croft says yeah, I think you need to tell the people what you are raising it to. Iams says according to the cost analysis they suggested raising the water base rate for residential up \$4 so that is from \$22 to \$26, and then the water per thousand gallon rate is increased from \$7 to \$9 that is a \$2 increase, they also suggested to raise the water rates from commercial users to base rate from \$28 to \$32 that is a \$4 increase and the water thousand gallon usage from \$8 to \$12 another \$4 increase, and only rate for sewage they suggested was the flat rate sewage from \$25 to \$50 a month being a \$25 increase; she talked to Sarah and she still felt those are good numbers even with the amount we were increased from \$3.38 to \$3.79. Croft asked what about the fill station? Iams says she still recommends that it say at the penny a gallon, that was in the cost analysis. Shingle asked if there was a meter down there or how does that work? Wood stated I need a second. Croft seconded so we can discuss it. Iams says we haven't had an increase since 2017 that went into effective 2018, I know that the sewage can usually keep itself and the reason we are losing is because of the water because their rates have been raised, I don't like a rate increase because I have to pay all of mine but this is what they recommended. Croft says I thought you said earlier that we were raised on rates because we are held by the contract. Iams asked what do you mean. Croft says I said they raised their rates in July and you said that didn't really affect us. Iams says they raised them in April. Croft says that is when they advertised it actually went into effect in July. Iams says we were raised in April Croft says so when I sent you an email and said what about the fact that the cost analysis was done in January of last year, the January the first part of this year and yet Wheeling had to raise the rates I did not hear back if that was sufficient to cover. Iams says I just told you before I made the motion that I just talked to Sarah and she still feels confident in these increases that she doesn't need to go back and do anything else, we were only raised from \$3.38 to \$3.79. Croft says over millions of gallons that's a chunk of change there. Iams says I get it, basically what's gonna happen is everybody is gonna go up, me personally, on a commercial I'm gonna go up least \$16 and residential from \$8 to \$10. Croft says you need to explain the flat rate because there are people in Donegal Township who only have sewage. Iams stated that is the \$25 and going up to \$50. Shingle and Croft both say that you're gonna double theirs. Iams says I do understand. Croft says you understand and I understand but you need to make sure that the public understands. Shingle says we need to make sure the public understands the lame duck board is gonna put it to them on the way out. Croft says there are certain people in the Township who only have sewage because they don't have water then we don't have a water rate, you know how if you use more water with your sewage there's stays the same. Iams said since Mrs. Croft is very well versed in it and she asked if she could explain it to the people. Shingle said she just did. Croft said she just did. J.D. asks what it cost per thousand gallons there were 2 different rates. Croft says the cost per thousand gallon, there is a penny for the bulk water station down water the sewage treatment plant. J.D. says but then she said 2 other cost per thousand gallon. Croft says here it is residential and. Croft says residential will go up. Eric Graham says it will go from \$7 to \$9 per thousand. J.D. asks what's the other one, commercial? He asking it going from \$8 to \$12? Shingle says wastewater rate commercial \$28 to \$32, water. J.D. asks if they get that from the bulk station or the hydrant or? Shingle says they get it from the plant. Croft says the penny they get at the plant. Iams tells JD she can explain it; there's a bulk water station and we advertise a penny a gallon however we do not have that

meter actually under weights and measures so we have to make sure they get a penny a gallon of water because if anybody would challenge that, we would be in trouble because that bulk water station does not have its certification. JD says where I was going with that is will it cause a problem at the bulk water station that \$10 per thousand and our residential rate is \$9 and commercial rate is \$12 so is that gonna create an issue as commercials can go down there and get it. Iams states when you go down she puts her money in and flip the switch and turn the water on and off so its on what they want to get. They may put in their money in a pay a penny a gallon but might only get 100 gallon. Croft says that not his question, he's asking what stops him if he cuts off his commercial and just going and getting water from the bulk water station. JD asks if it creates a problem cause your raising one but not the other one so not its \$2 a thousand less the commercial rate, is that cause a problem when the commercial people. Croft says the thing that is gonna stop it is like Ed Shingle shop is commercial, I don't know why but it is commercial, so unless he is gonna go get a water truck and go down and haul water and flush his toilet with it then he's got a problem, see the issue. Shingle says he has a problem with it, he thinks we should cut everything in half and start it next month and then let someone else pick up the other half later; it's sticker shock. He says tried to have a meeting earlier this year so that people could wrap their heads around it, look where we are at, gas is through the roof, heating bills are gonna start coming. Mr. Martin says it is called inflation. Mr. Shingle replies back that he knows what it is called there Dick but it doesn't mean we have to jump on the bandwagon. Mr. Martin says all other utilities do it and people just pay it, let's just get it done, can't drag your feet on everything. Croft says I didn't drag my feet that infact I showed up to the meeting in May. Shingle says if we would of had the meeting in May and implemented them in June we could of done the second half increase now. Martin said they got a bargain from May; the old rates. Kathleen Miller asks why talking about May cause there is nothing that can be done about it and asks if they can continue, she could go back to the meeting where Shingle told her to shut up, but not gonna bring that up a hundred times. Shingle said he could do it again if she'd like. Miller said go right ahead. Shingle says anyhow his suggestion is to cut the increase in half. Iams said she doesn't mind changing her motion if Mrs. Croft is willing to that. Croft says that doesn't cover our loss. Iams says if we go back to paying bulk we will be saving \$1.90 every month as well on 1000 gallon. Croft says but you don't know that is whats gonna happen. Iams says right but could happen is at the first of the year if we ever get a meeting with Wheeling and it doesn't work we could turn around and raise the rates the other half. Croft says you just borrowed, oops not borrowed, you took \$33K from ACT 13. Iams says if you look at ACT 13 report you will see all of the other items that they were spent on that didn't include all of the people of Donegal. Iams said she is willing to change it to half and still do it December 1 but I don't know if Mrs. Croft will second that motion. Croft says fine but that leaves the new Board to deal with the other half. Iams stated yep, I guess it will. J.D. Martin asked if could make the motion half December 1st and set a date for the other. Croft stated she wasn't sure if you could bind a future Board. Shingle said no you can't. J.D. asked Lane if that was legal, Lane responded that they could pass the motion now and in January they could pass a motion to reduce the rates. J.D. saying with the struggle a compromise from doing half verses all if you could say make it January 1st or April 1st or whatever. Lane stated that Eric brought up a very good point, but you have a responsibility to cover your expenses, and you are already in the hole already and you're only putting off the inevitable by only going half, get the money in the bank so can start to build

up a bit of a nest egg so that when you have a catastrophic events, Shingle asked how do you say it not covering, Croft said technically now it is cause we are not paying the full amount. Shingle says paperwork he looked at from the last meeting the margins were tight, I'll grant you that but the bill from water is less than what we billed for water. Graham said you're not figuring in, cause you just \$25K on one bill, for fixing the system, it should be covering those costs, there should be money in that account. Lane said that the cost analysis takes into account and looks at your overall overhead and you're not supposed to make money on it. Graham said you know what's gonna happen this winter when it thaws, a good freeze and thaw, you say what. Shingle says that's fine but I'm gonna tell you, do you remember whenever they couldn't even sell a house in Claysville, he's just telling ya; he knows a house in Claysville, 2 people sit in the house and pay \$90 a month and we are getting there. Iams stated that the rules and regulations within 2 years of it being in effect, the grinder pumps that the Township has always been buying for the people who have grinder pumps will now be charged to the costumers who have grinder pumps, she said for instance, I have a grinder pump and I share it with 3 people but when our grinder pump goes bad the Township was required to pay for it and fix it, with the rules and regs in place, within 2 years me and the other 2 will be responsible to pay for it ourselves, it will no longer fall on the Township, which will help with some. Shingle says that's not in your motion right now. Croft says no, she is saying that is in the rules and regs that were passed. Iams said I'm just telling you some of things that will help to benefit to increase. Croft said which we could have talked about at the meeting but didn't have a meeting, so you're going for half is that what you are saying? Iams said yes cause that is what Mr. Shingle suggested, I'm ok with that, I'm ok with either way, I pay it no matter what, I don't have any other option. Iams asked Croft if she was willing to second the motion for the half and it means nothing. J.D. says any of you 3 can second it. A resident says like Turturice says raise it and new administration can..Croft interrupts and says that's true and they can and by then you'll know what Wheeling, you can. Iams asks if she is seconding the motion or not as she is discussing because we need a second on the motion Croft continues to talk to the audience and tells Tammi to hold on. Mrs Croft goes on to Mrs. Miller states you have to have a second to discuss, meanwhile Croft continues to discuss negotiating with Wheeling or see.. Mrs. Miller says is is a violation. Iams says lets move on to the Pennvest cause you might well say that that died because Mrs Croft doesn't want to do anything by any rules, plays by her own. J.D, asked if someone seconded Tammi's, Croft says yes for the whole thing, and we were discussing it and then Tammi wanted to change her motion to half, JD says its part of the discussion. Shingle stated all he did was make a suggestion. Turturice says ask the question is there a consensus for half or do you want to go for all as Mr. Poland said if the new Board wants to bring it back down half they can do that once they see where things are come the 1st of the year, but the motion on the floor right now is...Croft cut him off and says the original one that Tammi made and I seconded was the whole thing. Lane suggested to take a vote and see where you are. Iams says ok so we are voting on the whole. Roll call of votes      3 - YES      1 - NO - Shingle      Motion carried Mrs Croft says I hope the new Board will take that into consideration.

Mrs. Iams made a motion to respond to PENNVEST with a written corrective action plan.



that the property owner is responsible not the Township, but it gives you a mechanism by which if you had to you can force the property owner to fix things or address those, so he would ask to approve the draft agreement so that Mr. Fanning can at least execute it. Shingle asks just the draft agreement and not the ordinance because the ordinance backs up the agreement. Turturice states yes, but right now you not approving the ordinance, just the advertisement, so between now and then we can make changes to it if you want to but the agreement mirrors some of the provisions. Croft asked, "shouldn't we wait to approve the agreement until after it's an ordinance. Turturice stated he didn't think Mr. Fanning can wait. Mr. Fanning stated that the planning module does not require an ordinance it just asks the question do you have an ordinance and if not you check no and the maintenance agreement is copied in place of the ordinance. Shingle says ok so we can pass the agreement with him tonight and follow it up with the ordinance later. Turturice says yes, and he will still be bound by that ordinance later whatever that ends up being, we just don't want to hold up Mr. Fanning any longer. Mr. Fanning stated, I will also be bound by the agreement, it has to be entered into the recorder's office and be a part of my deed. Turturice says, yes, correct. Mrs. Croft attempted to make the same motion above, Wood stated that Iams already made the motion and Martin seconded; that is how you got to your public comment. Croft stated it wasn't public comment that Mr. Turtrice asked if Mr. Fanning was on.

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Iams made a motion to advertise the draft Ordinance permitting use of Small Flow Treatment Facilities in the Township and to authorize the solicitor to do all things necessary to permit the Board of Supervisors to act on the same at its next regularly scheduled meeting.

Mr Shingle made a motion to table because like I would like to read the thing, why would you advertise it first. We took care of the guy that needed taken care of. Betty Shingle says I think he said. Croft said just give us time to look at it. Lane said I wouldn't keep putting it off. Croft asked Shingle if he said table. Croft secondedhis table

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Shingle says he shouldn't get paperwork the day of the meeting. Betty Shingle says she said you could attest it. Lane said he emailed it yesterday morning and asked Shingle if he received it? Shingle replied "I don't know, I'm not sitting around watching my email all day, I got other crap to do."

Mr. Martin made a motion to adjourn. Mrs. Iams seconded the motion.

J.D. Martin says before you adjourn something very important on ...minutes and agenda and that is the status of the Township Building, that needs to be discussed.

Roll call of votes:                    -YES

Croft says we can't discuss anyway, we are sending the plumber. I called for Croft vote and she continued to let public speak. Wood stated that this is a violation and I called for Mrs. Croft's vote on adjourn again and she states that there is a question about the building and what are we doing with it. Wood stated the motion was to adjourn, Mrs. Croft. Croft said if I say no can we talk about the building. Iams says as the Vice Chairman of the Board, I declare the meeting adjourned at 9:59 pm.





