

## MINUTES

Paint Township 1741 Basin Drive Windber, PA 15963  
January 7, 2008, 7:00 pm

Vice-Chairman Blough called the meeting to order and led the board in the "Pledge of Allegiance". Other members of the board present were Tvardzik and Holsopple. Also present Wendy Senior, Secretary to the Board. The names of those attending the meeting are attached.

REORGANIZATION: The board agreed for Blough to serve as temporary chairman. Blough welcomed newly elected supervisor Andy Tvardzik. It was moved by Holsopple and seconded by Tvardzik for Blough to serve as chairman. All agreed. It was moved by Blough for Tvardzik to serve as vice-chairman the motion was seconded by Holsopple. All agreed. It was moved by Blough for Holsopple to serve as secretary-treasurer. All agreed.

Blough stated that the townships non-uniform and uniform employees are governed by union contracts. Richard Skiles will be retained as Chief of Police.

Blough stated and affirmed that Blough is employed as a full time roadmaster. Tvardzik and Holsopple will be employed on a part time basis.

The secretary-treasurer bond is set at \$100,000.00 with Penn National Insurance Co.

Blough stated that the professional services will be employed on a retainer basis. Senior was asked to read aloud those appointments. The legal counsel will be the law firms of Barbera, Clapper, Beener, Rullo and Melvin (Attorney Samuel Clapper) and Silverman, Tokarsky and Forum (Attorney Michelle Tokarsky). The engineer firm will be the EADS Group point of contact Jeff Haynal the S.E.O. will be Jared Bowers. Gary Madey will serve as the vacancy board. The depositories of funds will be the First National Bank. The township will hold its monthly meetings on the first and third Mondays of each month. The first meeting will be held at 7:00 pm the third meeting at 3:30 pm if a holiday should fall on a Monday the meeting will be held on the following Tuesday. The township will hold only one meeting the months of June, July and Aug. The Planning Commission will meet on the last Wednesday of each month at 7:00 pm with the exception of December they will not hold a meeting. All meetings will be held at the municipal building. The animal control officer will be Frank Meyers, cleaning staff is Linda Manges and the codes officer will be Mark Walker. McCracken asked if the animal control officer is employed by the township. The township does employ the animal control officer. It was moved by Tvardzik to retain all appointment as stated by the secretary the motion was seconded by Holsopple. All agreed. Tvardzik stated that an appointment to the Planning Commission will be made at a later date.

OPEN FORUM: McCracken asked why the township changed the time of the second meeting. Blough explained that the township has held a 3:30 pm meeting in past years. It makes it easier for residence who can not attend a 7:00 pm meeting also the township is trying to accommodate Chief Skiles schedule for attending municipal meetings. Henger held discussion regarding the employment of a township manager and the need to work in getting sanitary sewer for the township and keeping the residence updated on the progress that is being made regarding the Act 537 sewage plan. Blough stated that the EADS Group is actively working on securing funding for the Act 537 plan. Click held discussion with the board for the need

for city water in the Seanor Road area.

It was moved by Holsopple and seconded by Tvardzik to approve the minutes of the December 17<sup>th</sup> meeting as presented. All agreed.

The bill list was read aloud by Senior. It was moved by Tvardzik and seconded by Holsopple to pay the bills as presented. All agreed.

OLD BUSINESS: No business to attend to.

NEW BUSINESS: It was moved by Holsopple and seconded by Blough to certify Tvardzik as the delegate to the annual state convention. All agreed.

The correspondence was reviewed.

Motion was made by Blough and seconded by Holsopple to adjourn the meeting. All agreed. The meeting was adjourned at 7:25 pm. The next township meeting will be January 21<sup>st</sup> at 3:30 pm.

Kenneth P. Holsopple  
Secretary-Treasurer

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Paint Township 1741 Basin Drive Windber, PA 15963

January 21, 2008, 3:30 pm

Chairman Blough called the meeting to order and led the board in the "Pledge of Allegiance". Other members of the board present were Tvardzik, Vice-Chairman and Holsopple, Secretary-Treasurer. Also present were Wendy Senior, Office Secretary and Chief Richard Skiles. The names of those attending the meeting are attached.

OPEN FORUM: Henger held discussion with the board regarding the article in the Tribune regarding Garrett Borough receiving 3.5 million dollars in sewer funding from the department of USDA he questioned if that is the same funding that the township has noted under Old Business on the agenda? Blough stated that Paint Township has applied to the USDA for Act 537 sewage funding but he can not state if it is the same type of funding that was applied for by Garrett Borough. Henger pointed out that the time for today's meeting was incorrect in the Tribune. Tvardzik stated that issue has already been address with the paper. Henger held discussion with the board regarding the monthly municipal fees collected on the water bills. Henger stated that he paid \$7.00 for the municipal fee for water. Blough stated the Paint Townships fees are standard through out the sanitary sewer service areas within township they are \$5.00. Henger was advised to contact the Windber Water Authority if he has a question. Henger asked if the township sets those rates Blough stated yes. Henger asked if the sewage violation on Poplar Street has been corrected. Blough stated the property owner has had his septic tank pumped out and so far that has worked. The townships SEO has been instructed to up on the violation.

It was moved by Tvardzik and seconded by Holsopple to accept the minutes of the January 7<sup>th</sup> meeting as presented. All agreed.

The bills list was read aloud by Senior. It was moved by Holsopple and seconded by Tvardzik to pay the bills as presented. All agreed.

POLICE REPORT: Chief Skiles presented the board with the monthly activity report along with a year end report for 2007. Chief Skiles reported that the shared services grant that was submitted in 2007(which was not received) was updated and resubmitted to Harrisburg on behalf of the township and Windber Borough. If the municipalities are successful in securing the grant the cost for a new cruiser will be approximately \$6,500.00. Henger asked Chief Skiles how many calls were received in the month of December a total of 141 calls were received out of the 141, 20 were in Central City Borough.

OLD BUSINESS: It was moved by Holsopple and seconded by Blough to approve the Verostick Subdivision Plan. All agreed.

It is noted that the township has sent the letter to DEP regarding the status on the corrective action plan area as prepared by the EADS Group. It is also noted that the township has sent a letter to USDA for Act 537 funding.

Blough updated the board that the township is to receive additional information regarding the truck

purchases.

NEW BUSINESS: Senior was instructed to contact Yonish Trucking to schedule a spring clean up.

It is noted that all supervisors will be attending the Somerset County Convention on May 1.

The correspondence was reviewed.

Motion was made by Holsopple to adjourn the motion was seconded by Blough. All agreed. The meeting was adjourned at 3:55 pm. The next township meeting will be held on February 4<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm.

Kenneth P. Holsopple  
Secretary-Treasurer

## MINUTES

Paint Township 1741 Basin Drive Windber, PA 15963

February 4, 2008, 7:00 pm

Chairman Blough called the meeting to order and led the board in the "Pledge of allegiance". Other Members of the board present were Tvardzik, Vice-Chairman and Holsopple, Secretary-Treasurer. Also present Wendy Senior, Office Secretary and Chief Richard Skiles. The names of those attending the meeting are attached.

OPEN FORUM: Henger held discussion with the board regarding the municipal maintenance sewer rate that is charged by the township. Henger obtained a copy of the surrounding municipal rates and provided a copy to the board for the files. Henger also recommended that the township raise the monthly sewer maintenance rate .50 cents to be consistent with the residents in the Baumgardner Heights section of the township bringing the total municipal rate to \$5.50.

It was moved by Tvardzik and seconded by Holsopple to accept the minutes of the January 21<sup>st</sup> meeting as presented. All agreed.

The bill list was read aloud by Senior. It was moved by Blough and seconded by Tvardzik to pay the bills as presented. All agreed.

POLICE REPORT: Chief Skiles presented the activity reports. A total of 244 calls were received out of the 244, 37 were in Central City Borough. Chief Skiles presented the board with a draft of a K-9 policy. The board has reviewed the policy. It was moved by Tvardzik and seconded by Holsopple to accept the K-9 policy pending Attorney Clappers review. All agreed. Chief Skiles reported that he met with PENNDOT this date and applied for a "Buckle Up Grant" in the amount of \$4,000.00 to be shared with Windber Borough Police Dept. for conducting quarterly safety checks regarding seatbelt and child seat safety. The Commonwealth will reimburse the municipalities for the officer's time. Chief Skiles requested permission to purchase an E.N.R.A.D.D. speed timing device system for traffic control. The total cost of the device is \$4,000.00. Chief Skiles will be asking Windber Borough to share in paying half of the cost of the device. Chief stated that it is a budget item in both municipalities but wanted the board to be aware of the request for the purchase of the system. At this time Chief Skiles held discussion with the audience (Rugg and McCracken) regarding the device and the sharing of costs of equipment purchases with Windber Borough. It was moved by Tvardzik and seconded by Holsopple to purchase the device in conjunction with Windber Borough at a 50/50 split. All agreed.

OLD BUSINESS: Tvardzik explained that he took the time to research the question from Henger regarding the funding received by Garrett Borough for sewer up grades. Tvardzik found that it was a three year process for securing the millions in funding. The funding is for a corrective action mandate by DEP for that boroughs sewage treatment plant. Tvardzik also reported that he found that funding is let out by DEP according to the greatest need and violations and while the township (Paint) may feel the need is great, it may be insignificant in comparison to the DEP scale for funding. Tvardzik stated that the township has been and will continue to apply for sewage funding. Tvardzik held discussion with Rugg and Click (subdivision developers) regarding the developer inspection requirements for subdivision plans within Paint

Township. It outlines construction drawings, shop drawings, pre-construction photos, pre-construction meeting, test reports, work schedule, as-built drawings, inspector's responsibilities, inspection fees developers' daily report and failure to comply. The Planning Commission will be reviewing the draft.

It is noted that Senior contacted Yonish Hauling to get information regarding spring clean up as of this date he has not returned a phone to the township.

NEW BUSINESS: It was moved by Blough and seconded by Tvardzik to approve the Michael Tokarsky Sr. Subdivision plan as presented. All agreed.

It was moved by Blough and seconded by Holsopple to approve the request of John Tallion of 546 Hagevo Road to return his property into "Clean and Green" status (see attached). All agreed.

The correspondence was reviewed.

It was moved by Tvardzik and seconded by Blough to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 am. The next township will be held on February 19<sup>th</sup> at 3:30 pm.

Kenneth P. Holsopple  
Secretary-Treasurer

## MINUTES

Paint Township 1741 Basin Drive Windber, PA 15963

February 19, 2008, 3:30 pm

Chairman Blough called the meeting to order and led the board in the "Pledge of Allegiance." Other Members of the board present were Tvardzik, Vice-Chairman and Holsopple, Secretary-Treasurer. Also present Wendy Senior, Office Secretary and Chief Richard Skiles. The names of those attending the meeting are attached.

OPEN FORUM: Henger held discussion with the board regarding the time that was published in the Tribune-Democrat for today's meeting it is incorrect. The township has contacted the tribune this date on the issue. Henger also held discussion regarding the police contract (ordinance) issue. Chief Skiles stated that Paint Township has the paper work for providing services to Central City Borough but according to Judge Casico's ruling the township will be drafting and enacting an ordinance to provide police service to Central City Borough. Central City Borough will also be enacting an ordinance. Attorney Clapper and Attorney Frantz have been instructed to work together on this issue on behalf of the Township and Borough. Chief Skiles stated that he has heard that the decision may be appealed but that the municipalities are being pro active and will enact the ordinances regardless of the appeal decision. Henger asked about the 2007 audit the CPA firm (BarnesSaly & Co.) will begin March 24<sup>th</sup>. Henger held discussion on the inspector for the sewer installations of sanitary sewer. Tvardzik stated that the issue is being addressed by the Planning Commission and the township engineer.

It was moved by Tvardzik and seconded by Holsopple to accept the minutes of the February 4<sup>th</sup> meeting as presented. All agreed.

The bill list was read aloud by Senior. It was moved by Holsopple and seconded by Tvardzik to pay the bills as presented. All agreed.

POLICE REPORT: Chief Skiles informed the board that one cruiser is currently down for repairs. It should be back in service in a few days. Chief Skiles requested permission to hire Daniel Schrader as part time police officer contingent on Schrader passing his MOPEC examine in Harrisburg. Chief Skiles stated that Schrader's employment will help elevate a scheduling problem. The board reviewed Schrader's employment application. It was moved by Tvardzik and seconded by Blough to hire Schrader as a part time police officer contingent on passing his examine. All agreed.

OLD BUSINESS: No business to attend to.

NEW BUSINESS: Discussion was held on the purchase of five UHF radios for the public works department and emergency coordinators in the amount of \$1,800.00 plus cost antenna's and shipping. It was moved by Tvardzik and seconded by Blough to purchase the radios. All agreed.

The correspondence was reviewed.

It was moved by Holsopple and seconded by Blough to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 3:45pm. The next township meeting will be held on March 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00 pm.

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Paint Township 1741 Basin Drive Windber, PA 15963  
March 3, 2008 7:00 pm

Chairman Blough called the meeting to order and led the board in the "Pledge of Allegiance." Other members of the board present were Tvardzik, Vice-Chairman and Holsopple, Secretary-Treasurer. Also present Wendy Senior, Office Secretary and Chief Richard Skiles. The names of those attending the meeting are attached.

OPEN FORUM: Henger held discussion with the board regarding the advertisement regarding the police service contract between the township and Central City Borough. Henger pointed out that the annual amounts that will be paid by Central City to the township in 2008 would be less than the amount that was paid in 2007. He questioned why due to rising costs. Chief Skiles stated that this has to be an error. Skiles stated that in the beginning of 2007 the rate was adjusted by the township to Central City. The annual rate for 2008 is higher than the 2007 rate. The township will look into the annual fees. Henger also held discussion regarding a township garbage collector that may result in a lower cost for spring clean up. Tvardzik stated that the residents have a choice in a garbage hauler. Henger also asked the status on the inspector and developer agreement for subdivisions. Tvardzik stated that it is still in the development stage.

It was moved by Tvardzik and seconded by Holsopple to approve the minutes of the February 19<sup>th</sup> meeting as presented. All agreed.

The bill list was read aloud by Senior. It was moved by Holsopple and seconded by Tvardzik to pay the bills as presented. All agreed.

POLICE REPORT: Chief Skiles presented the monthly report. There were a total of 146 calls out of the 146 calls 15 were for Central City Borough. Chief Skiles had no other business.

OLD BUSINESS: Blough updated the board on the road department trucks. They have been ordered through the state piggyback bid and all paper work has been forwarded to Attorney Tokarsky for review.

Chief Skiles informed the board that the department was awarded the "Buckle Up Grant" and the department will be working special details as the weather permits.

NEW BUSINESS: The Berwind Subdivision plan has been approved at a previous meeting but the maps will not be signed and returned for recording until the township receives the letters from the adjacent property owners stating they are accepting the additional property.

It was moved by Blough and seconded by Tvardzik to purchase the Arc View computer software at an estimated cost of \$1,224.00. All agreed.

The correspondence was reviewed.

It was moved by Blough and seconded by Tvardzik to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 pm. The next regular township meeting will be held on March 17<sup>th</sup> at 3:30 pm. The township will hold a special



meeting on March 10<sup>th</sup> at 3:30 pm.  
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Kenneth P. Holsopple  
Secretary-Treasurer

**SPECIAL MEETING**

Paint Township 1741 Basin Drive Windber, PA 15963

March 10, 2008 3:30 pm

Chairman Blough called the meeting to order and led the board in the "Pledge of Allegiance." Other Members of the board present were Tvardzik, Vice-Chairman and Holsopple, Secretary-Treasurer. Also present Wendy Senior, Office Secretary and Chief Richard Skiles. There were no visitors.

The purpose of the special meeting is to adopt an ordinance ratifying and affirming a joint municipal agreement and amendments between the Township of Paint and the Borough of Central City for the township to provide police patrol, investigative and administrative services in and for the Borough.

It was moved by Holsopple and seconded by Tvardzik to adopt the ordinance as prepared #2008-01. All agreed.

It was moved by Blough and seconded by Holsopple to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 3:40 pm.

Kenneth P. Holsopple  
Secretary-Treasurer

## MINUTES

Paint Township 1741 Basin Drive Windber, PA 15963

March 17, 2008 3:30 pm

Chairman Blough called the meeting to order and led the board in the "Pledge of Allegiance." Other members of the board present were Tvardzik, Vice-Chairman and Holsopple, Secretary-Treasurer. Also present Wendy Senior, Office Secretary and Chief Richard Skiles and Jeff Haynal, Engineer. The names of those attending the meeting are attached.

OPEN FORUM: Henger requested an update regarding funding for Act 537 (sewage) and the contacts that were made. Township Engineer Jeff Haynal stated he would have an update under the engineer report. Henger stated that Supervisor Tvardzik returned a call to him regarding his (Henger) question regarding the contract price charged to Central City Borough for police service. Tvardzik stated to him that the contract price was adjusted in 2007 and the rate for 2008 has been increased for services. At this time Frank Burns introduced himself to the board and the audience. Burns is a candidate for the 72<sup>nd</sup> State Representative seat.

It was moved by Tvardzik and seconded by Holsopple to accept the minutes of the March 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting as presented. All agreed. It was moved by Tvardzik and seconded by Blough to accept the minutes of the special March 10<sup>th</sup> meeting as presented. All agreed.

The bill list was read aloud by Senior. It was moved by Holsopple and seconded by Tvardzik to pay the bills as presented. All agreed.

ENGINEER REPORT: Haynal submitted a written report to the board. Haynal reported that the township has requested an additional 30 sewer taps for 2008 as of this date an update to the status for the request has not been received. A request was made by the township to the WWA to reinstall the flow meters at the intersection of Village St. and Jackson Ave. The WWA did install the meters the EADS group will review the data when it is available. EADS prepared an eligibility letter on behalf of the township for sanitary extension funding to be sent to RUS (Act 537). The EADS Group also requested a meeting with DEP regarding planning consultation for the township and the Somerset County Redevelopment Authority was contacted regarding possible sewer funding for the Rummel Area. The EADS Group has worked on a letter regarding the inspection of developments within the township. The EADS Group has been asked by the township to revise the Sewer Rules and Regulations of the township and is in the process of doing that update. Henger asked if State Representative Yewcic has been contacted regarding funding. Haynal stated that Congressman Murtha has been recently contacted. Blough stated that the township has received a call from Murtha's office but as of this date the township is awaiting a return call from Murtha's aid. The township has been and will continue to make contact with his office. Yewcic has not been contacted recently. Henger held discussion regarding the Poplar Street status and the sewage violation that exists with the on lot system. Henger stated that it is not fair that the property owner is not charged for the sewer tap. Henger stated that he had to pay when sanitary sewers were installed in the Rummel area in the 1990's. Blough stated that the township is not extending the sewer line since funding isn't available for the installation of an 8" line. The township will be taking over the 6" line. It will be the responsibility of the property owner with the on lot violation to make the connection. The 6" line is already installed. If the township should be able to extend the sewer line to service the Horn Road area the 6" line would be

upgraded to an 8" line to be in compliance with the Act 537 plan. Henger stated again that he feels it is unfair that the property owner is not charged a tap fee. Blough stated that the Somerset County Redevelopment Authority missed this particular property and that the grants received in the 1990's (Henger's project time frame) were different than the grant for the Poplar Street project at this time criteria of the grants are different. Henger voiced his feelings of unfairness. Blough stated it is unfortunate that the grants received do not cover the total costs.

POLICE REPORT: Chief Skiles reported that the townships tazer is broke and Officer Rice is letting the township use his personal tazer. The seat belt safety detail begins today additional officers will be working the detail. At this time Rugg asked Chief Skiles what criteria will be used for stopping vehicles. Chief Skiles stated that vehicle code violations will be used for the basis of issuing the seat belt violation. Chief Skiles stated that there will be zero tolerance for the seat belt violation. There will be quarterly special details conducted through out the year.

OLD BUSIENSS: It was moved by Blough and seconded by Holsopple to participate in PACC Automotive and Equipment Contract, (State piggy back vehicle & equipment purchases) which is administered by the CITY OF HARRISBURG. All agreed. Resolution is attached. All agreed.

It was moved by Tvardzik and seconded by Holsopple to hold spring clean up on May 30<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup> as proposed by Darrell Yonish at a cost of \$40.00. The ad will be placed in the newspaper in early May. All agreed.

NEW BUSINESS: It was moved by Blough and seconded by Tvardzik to purchase a region #13 radio as requested by Richard Lohr Emergency Coordination for Somerset County at a cost of approximately \$469.00 plus shipping. All agreed.

The correspondence was reviewed.

It was moved by Blough and seconded by Holsopple to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 4:15 pm. The next regular township meeting will be held on April 7<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm.

Kenneth P. Holsopple  
Secretary-Treasurer

## MINUTES

Paint Township 1741 Basin Drive Windber, PA 15963

April 7, 2008 7:00 pm

Chairman Blough called the meeting to order and led the board in the "Pledge of Allegiance." Other members of the board present were Tvardzik, Vice-Chairman and Holsopple, Secretary-Treasurer. Also present Wendy Senior, Office Secretary and Chief Richard Skiles. The names of those attending the meeting are attached.

OPEN FORUM: Blough asked the McCracken's if they had any discussion. They stated no, not tonight. Henger held discussion with the board regarding the appointment to the planning commission so that a quorum is in attendance to conduct business and the possibility of increasing the amount of members on the planning commission. Henger feels it is taking the township too long to make an appointment. Tvardzik stated that the township can not increase the amount of members and that an appointment to the planning commission will be made at this meeting. Henger asked the status of the 2007 audit, the audit was completed on March 26<sup>th</sup> and will be advertised when it is received by the CPA. Henger requested to know if the township informed the Windber Area Authority to increase the maintenance fees for sewage service in the Baumgardner Heights area of the township. Blough stated not at this time. The township will make that request if and when additional sewer lines are installed within the township. The increase must be advertised and if the township needs to adjust the rates it will be done all at the same time. Henger stated he understood if the increase has to be advertised and can not be requested in letter form to the Windber Area Authority. Tvardzik stated to Henger that the reason it has taken so long to find a replacement to the Planning Commission is, it is a non-paying position and that all of the supervisors have contacted several individuals to serve on the board since the beginning of the year and it has been difficult to find someone. The township has received four qualified applicants which will be reviewed tonight.

It was moved by Tvardzik and seconded by Holsopple to accept the minutes of the March 17<sup>th</sup> meeting as presented at this time. C. McCracken requested to know why it is not recorded in the minutes about the radio purchase that was requested at the March 17<sup>th</sup> meeting. C. McCracken was informed that the motion is recorded in the minutes under **new business** of the March 17<sup>th</sup> meeting. The motion from the meeting minutes was read aloud. C. McCracken stated she must have missed it when she read through the minutes prior to the meeting. All supervisors agreed to accept the minutes as presented.

The bill list was read aloud by Senior. It was moved by Holsopple and seconded by Tvardzik to approve the bills as presented. All agreed.

POLICE REPORT: Chief Skiles presented the board with the activity report. Chief Skiles stated that there were a total of 207 calls and out of the 207, 73 were for Central City Borough. Chief Skiles stated that the increase in calls to Central City Borough is a result of having the officers do a call every time they conduct a routine patrol through the Borough. Chief Skiles reported that the seat belt detail has gone very well with. It was moved by Blough and seconded by Holsopple to accept the report. All agreed.

OLD BUSINESS: No business.

NEW BUSINESS: It was moved by Holsopple and seconded by Tvardzik to approve the sewage planning

module for the Ridge View Estates. All agreed.

Chairman Blough called the board into executive session at 7:20 pm. The board returned at 7:28 pm. Blough stated that the board has received four very qualified applicants for the appointment to the Planning Commission and he thanked all for the willingness to serve. They are William Click, Donald Durst, Thomas Pomroy and Brian Ott. It was moved by Blough and seconded by Tvardzik to appoint Brian Ott of Camp Drive to the Paint Township Planning Commission. All agreed. The term is for 5 years.

The correspondence was reviewed.

It was moved by Holsopple and seconded by Blough to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm. The next regular township meeting will be held on April 21<sup>st</sup> at 3:30 pm.

Kenneth P. Holsopple  
Secretary-Treasurer

## MINUTES

Paint Township 1741 Basin Drive Windber, PA 15963

April 21, 2008 3:30 pm

Chairman Blough called the meeting to order and led the board in the "Pledge of Allegiance." Other Member of the board present were Tvardzik, Vice-Chairman and Holsopple, Secretary-Treasurer. Also present Wendy Senior, Office Secretary and Chief Richard Skiles. The names of those attending the meeting are attached.

**OPEN FORUM:** Henger stated that he felt that the township should send letters to all persons who sent letters of interest in the appointment to the Planning Commission who did not receive the appointment. He stated he spoke to someone who applied for the appointment and they were not contacted. Henger suggested that they should be informed as to who received the appointment. Henger pointed out that his comments in the April 7<sup>th</sup> meeting regarding Baumgardner Heights are incorrect. He stated that the residents in the Baumgardner Heights area are paying the extra .50 cents in monthly sewer maintenance fees he was referring to the other areas of the township. Blough noted the correction.

It was moved by Tvardzik and seconded by Blough to accept the minutes of the April 7<sup>th</sup> meeting as presented with the noted correction as stated by Henger. Roll call: Blough – yes, Tvardzik – yes, Holsopple – yes.

The bill list was read aloud by Senior. It was moved by Holsopple and seconded by Tvardzik to pay the bills as presented. Roll call: Blough – yes, Tvardzik – yes, Holsopple – yes.

**POLICE REPORT:** Chief Skiles had no items for discussion.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Spring clean up has been confirmed to be held on May 30<sup>th</sup>. The ad will be placed in the Tribune-Democrat.

Blough read the Engineer report that was submitted by fax. It was moved by Blough and seconded by Holsopple to accept the report. Roll call: Blough – yes, Tvardzik – yes, Holsopple – yes.

**NEW BUSINESS:** It was moved by Blough and seconded by Tvardzik to approve the tax sale as outlined by the Somerset Tax Claim Bureau for property identified as 34-1-15680, (William Bruce Naughton). Roll call: Blough – yes, Tvardzik – yes, Holsopple – yes.

It was moved by Tvardzik and seconded by Holsopple to approve the registration fee of \$75.00 for Will Bailey to attend the Geographic Information Systems conference to be held on May 14<sup>th</sup>. Roll call: Blough – yes, Tvardzik – yes, Holsopple – yes.

It is noted that letters of thanks have been prepared for those persons who applied for the appointment to the Planning Commission.

The police department will be using the conference room on May 7<sup>th</sup> for training.

Officer Amanda Tessari presented the board with an invitation to the annual D.A.R.E. night out program which will be held on May 22<sup>nd</sup> 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm at the Windber Elementary School.

The correspondence was reviewed.

It was moved by Holsopple and seconded by Blough to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 3:50 pm. Roll call: Blough – yes, Tvardzik – yes, Holsopple, yes. The next township meeting will be held on May 5<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm.

Kenneth P. Holsopple  
Secretary-Treasurer



## MINUTES

Paint Township 1741 Basin Drive Windber, PA 15963

May 5, 2008 7:00 pm

Chairman Blough called the meeting to order and led the board in the "Pledge of Allegiance." Other board members present were Holsopple, Secretary-Treasurer. Also present Wendy Senior, Office Secretary, Chief Richard Skiles, and Jeff Haynal Township Engineer. The names of those attending the meeting are attached.

**OPEN FORUM:** Henger stated that he noticed in the paper on May 1<sup>st</sup> that the township rescheduled the time of the June, July and August meetings from 7:00 pm to 3:30 pm. Henger wanted to know when this was on an agenda for action. He stated he never heard any discussion at a meeting regarding this issue. Henger stated that the meeting dates and times were set at the meeting in January and that the time of 3:30 pm meetings was to accommodate the residents. Henger stated that he totally disagrees with that and that meetings should be held at 7:00 pm. Henger expressed his displeasure with the change of time. Discussion continued. Henger stated that he believes that the change was made only to benefit the three supervisors and believes that the board conducts business behind closed doors. Blough stated that this issue will be discussed at the next township meeting. McCracken requested that the meetings be held at 7:00 pm.

Joe Huff stated he was present regarding the land subdivision (Berwind/Huff and Cominsky).

It was moved by Holsopple and seconded by Blough to accept the minutes of the April 21<sup>st</sup> meeting as presented. Roll call: Blough – yes, Holsopple – yes.

The bill list was read aloud by Senior. It was moved by Blough and seconded by Holsopple to pay the bills as presented with the exception of the Roto Rooter bill. Windber Borough will be contacted regarding this bill it is for repair work in an area of Baumgardner Heights. McCracken questioned the Diskriter bill. Chief Skiles stated that was for the police department it is a tape transcription machine. Roll call: Blough – yes, Holsopple – yes.

**ENGINEER REPORT:** Haynal reviewed his written report outlining the corrective action plan, funding for sanitary sewer. Haynal reported on the meetings that were attended and held with Penn Vest and RUS for sewer funding and the workshop meeting held on April 22<sup>nd</sup> with Tvardzik seeking input and support from the public of the Rummel, Pomroy's corner areas. Haynal presented the board with the updated sewage rules and regulations for township approval. The board instructed Haynal to forward a copy to Attorney Tokarsky. Haynal reported that there is nothing new regarding Ramblin' Hills Subdivision, Winchester Estates Subdivision or Poplar Street. Haynal updated the board on the Stonycreek Water Shed Act 167 review. Haynal stated the township can work with the 9 other municipalities in Somerset who are working collectively on the Act 167 stormwater management. Henger held discussion with Haynal and the board regarding Poplar Street. He wanted to know if there would be an expense that the township would be paying. Blough stated no. The expense would be incurred by the property owners for the repair of the malfunction to the Gipe property. Henger requested to know how many feet of the 6" pipe there is. Haynal stated approximately between 200' and 250' feet. Blough stated that Hoffman paid for the sewer line that has been installed. Blough stated that the township may have an expense in obtaining a township right of way to the Horn Road. The township needs to have a right of way so sewer extension and repairs can be

made to the lines. Rugg asked about Penn Vest funding and the permit that is needed. Haynal explained that DEP requires a permit. The Windber Area Authority currently has the permit. The permit is 30 years old and is in the Authorities name. DEP will not allow the transfer of the permit to the township. Haynal stated that generally there is no expiration to the DEP permit. The township will be required to have the DEP permit in place to qualify for Penn Vest funding but the permit is not needed for RUS funding. Having the permit does not move the township forward on the funding list. The township is currently 6<sup>th</sup> on the funding list. There is no clear advantage to having the DEP permit for RUS funding. General discussion continued with the audience. No formal action was needed by the township on this general discussion. Haynal stated he felt funding should be available in the fall. Blough stated that he felt optimistic with the meeting held with Penn Vest and RUS. It was moved by Blough and seconded by Holsopple to accept the report. Roll call: Blough – yes, Holsopple – yes.

**POLICE REPORT:** Chief Skiles presented the activity report. A total of 224 calls were received out the 224, 79 were in Central City. A reminder that D.A.R.E. night out will be held on May 22<sup>nd</sup> at the Windber Elementary School. It was moved by Holsopple and seconded by Blough to accept the report. Roll call: Blough – yes, Holsopple – yes.

**OLD BUSINESS:** It was moved by Blough and seconded by Holsopple to work in conjunction with the other municipalities dealing with the Stonycreek Stormwater Act 167 compliance. The EADS Group is authorized to make contact with Dan Halverson to include Paint Township into the project. Roll call: Blough – yes, Holsopple – yes.

It was moved by Blough and seconded by Holsopple to advertise the ordinance, the developer's agreement and sewage disposal system rules and regulations. The solicitor has reviewed all documents. Rugg asked if there would be a public comment period. Blough stated yes that the township will receive public comments.

It was moved by Blough and seconded by Holsopple to donate \$500.00 to the D.A.R.E. night out program. Roll call: Blough – yes, Holsopple, - yes. The audience expressed their appreciation for the program and what it means to the children and community.

Henger commented and commended the township for holding the April 22<sup>nd</sup> informational meeting regarding funding for sanitary sewer. Henger stated it was well attended some residents were for the sanitary sewer others were not. In general the meeting was very well put together the handouts were well done. Jeff Haynal (EADS) Dave Blough, Andy Tvardzik (Paint Township) and Jeff Silka (Somerset County Economic Development Council) attended. The information given was good.

**NEW BUSINESS:** It was moved by Blough and seconded by Holsopple to approve the Berwind/Yonish subdivision plan. Roll call: Blough – yes, Holsopple, - yes.

It was moved by Blough and seconded by Holsopple to approve the Berwind/Cominsky, Huff subdivision plan contingent on the Paint Township Planning Commission requirements. Roll call: Blough – yes, Holsopple – yes.

Action was tabled on the Miller subdivision.

The correspondence was reviewed.

It was moved by Blough and seconded by Holsopple to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 pm. The next township meeting will be held on May 19<sup>th</sup> at 3:30 pm. Roll call: Blough – yes, Holsopple – yes.

Kenneth P. Holsopple  
Secretary-Treasurer

## MINUTES

Paint Township 1741 Basin Drive Windber, PA 15963

May 19<sup>th</sup> 2008 3:30 pm

Chairman Blough called the meeting to order and led the board in the "Pledge of Allegiance." Other board members present were Tvardzik, Vice-Chairman and Holsopple, Secretary-Treasurer. Also present Wendy Senior, Office Secretary and Chief Richard Skiles. The names of those attending the meeting are attached. Chairman Blough announced that the open forum will be held later during the meeting.

It was moved by Tvardzik and seconded by Holsopple to approve the minutes of the May 5<sup>th</sup> meeting as presented. Roll call: Blough – yes, Tvardzik – yes, Holsopple – yes.

The bill list was read aloud by Senior. It was moved by Blough and seconded by Holsopple to pay the bills as presented. Roll call: Blough – yes, Tvardzik – yes, Holsopple – yes.

**POLICE REPORT:** Chief Skiles gave a reminder that D.A.R.E. night out will be held on May 22<sup>nd</sup> at the Windber Elementary School.

**OLD BUSINESS:** No business to attend to.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Chairman Blough noted that Paint Township will be establishing a web site. The site will be completed early next year. Tvardzik stated that when completed residents should be able to access documents remotely. It was moved by Tvardzik and seconded by Holsopple to purchase adobe acrobat 8.0 for the web site at a cost of approximately \$100.00. Roll call: Blough – yes, Tvardzik – yes, Holsopple – yes.

It is noted that the township is working on the right to know compliance.

It was moved by Tvardzik and seconded by Blough to authorize the EADS Group to prepare and submit the MS-4 report that is due to DEP June 9<sup>th</sup> and to accept the faxed engineer report. The Township is an MS-4 community and is required to submit a report to DEP each year for compliance with the NPDES program. Roll call: Blough – yes, Tvardzik – yes, Holsopple – yes.

**OPEN FORUM:** Henger held a heated discussion with the board regarding the time change in the meetings for the months of June, July and Aug. Henger voiced his displeasure with the board and how they operate the township. Tvardzik and Henger held heated exchanges. Henger also held discussion on the township budget and asked if the 2007 audit has been completed. Holsopple stated the 2007 audit has been completed by the CPA firm Barnes & Saly. The township spoke with the CPA on May 12<sup>th</sup> who stated that everything was fine they were finishing it up and should have the audit to the township shortly. Henger also held discussion regarding the budget. G. Eash held discussion regarding the time change for the meetings stating she sees it as a courtesy issue. D. Eash held discussion regarding noise and mine drilling. McCracken held discussion regard the budget expenditures for fuel costs. Tvardzik stated that the township does review the budget and will have a report for the next township meeting on that item. R. Deitz of

Babcock Park Drive held discussion with the board regarding a neighbor who is building a structure along Babcock Park Drive. Deitz stated the structure has electric and a privy located on the property. Blough stated that he has looked at the property and has referred the issue to the building codes officer. The township will await Walkers finding and direction. Walker has made a site visit and will be contacting the property owner.

The correspondence was reviewed.

It was moved by Blough and seconded by Holsopple to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 4:25 pm. The next township meeting will be held on June 2<sup>nd</sup> at 3:30 pm. Roll call: Blough – yes, Tvardzik – yes, Holsopple – yes.

Kenneth P. Holsopple  
Secretary-Treasurer

## MINUTES

Paint Township 1741 Basin Drive Windber, PA 15963

June 2, 2008 3:30 pm

Chairman Blough called the meeting to order and led the board in the "Pledge of Allegiance." Other board members present were Tvardzik, Vice-Chairman and Holsopple, Secretary-Treasurer. Also present Wendy Senior, Office Secretary and Chief Richard Skiles. The names of those attending the meeting are attached.

It was moved by Holsopple and seconded by Tvardzik to approve the minutes of the June 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting as presented. Roll call: Blough – yes, Tvardzik – yes, Holsopple – yes.

The bill list was read aloud by Senior. It was moved by Tvardzik and seconded by Holsopple to pay the bills as presented. Roll call: Blough – yes, Tvardzik – yes, Holsopple – yes.

**POLICE REPORT:** Chief Skiles presented the board with the activity report 229 calls were received out of the 229 calls 74 were received from Central City. The D.A.R.E. night out program was a great success and this may have been the largest crowd. Chief Skiles pointed out that the Buckle Program continues. Chief Skiles stated that the department has been the topic of criticism in the reader's forum in the Tribune-Democrat regarding the use of the ENRRAD System (speed timing device) and he would like to state for the record that if the public was not speeding they would not have been stopped or received a citation.

**OLD BUSINESS:** It was moved by Holsopple and seconded by Tvardzik to approve the Miller Subdivision plan. Roll call: Blough – yes, Tvardzik – yes, Holsopple – yes. The sewage planning module will be forwarded to DEP for approval.

It was moved by Tvardzik and seconded by Holsopple to approve the resolution for the Mockenhaupt Benefits Group regarding the Act 600 Pension Plan for the Paint Township Police Department. Roll call: Blough – yes, Tvardzik – yes, Holsopple – yes.

Tvardzik stated that the board has reviewed the budget and over the entire 2008 budget it is in line with the exception of the fuel costs. As of this date the fuel costs are exceeded by \$777.12 and are expected to continue in that direction due to the high price of petroleum and petroleum products. The board does and will continue to monitor the budget.

**NEW BUSINESS:** It was moved by Tvardzik and seconded by Blough to hold a demonstration and to purchase the mobile mapper CX Magellan professional at an approximate cost of \$2,500.00 if it meets all the required needs of the township. General discussion was held. The demonstration will be scheduled. Roll call: Blough – yes, Tvardzik – yes, Holsopple – yes.

Tvardzik and Bailey held discussion regarding volunteers who may be interested in working with the township in the area of emergency management. Tvardzik opened up the invitation to those attending the meeting with no interest. General discussion was held. The volunteer request will be posted on the townships web site. Chief Skiles pointed out that the position that Bailey has with the township and Windber Borough in the capacity of Emergency Coordinator is so valuable and necessary for the municipalities. His

position encompasses so many areas of disasters which are not understood by the general public. Skiles stated that in our area we are very fortunate to have Bailey in this position because the municipalities (Paint Twp. and Windber Borough) are probably 75 to 80% ahead of other areas.

It is noted that the township spoke with Mark Walker, Building Codes Officer on May 30<sup>th</sup> regarding the cabin that is being built off of Babcock Park Drive (Helbig property). Walker has been in contact with the owner and will be monitoring the situation and will keep the township informed.

The correspondence was reviewed.

**OPEN FORUM:** Joe Huff stated to the board and Chief Skiles that he appreciates the traffic enforcement through the ENRADD system and to keep up the good efforts. The traffic has slowed down considerably on Dark Shade Drive.

It was moved by Tvardzik and seconded by Blough to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 4:05 pm. The next township meeting will be held on July 7<sup>th</sup> at 3:30 pm. Roll call: Blough – yes, Tvardzik – yes, Holsopple – yes.

Kenneth P. Holsopple  
Secretary-Treasurer

## MINUTES

Paint Township 1741 Basin Drive Windber, PA 15963

July 7, 2008 3:30 pm

Chairman Blough called the meeting to order and led the board in the "Pledge of Allegiance." Other board members present were Tvardzik, Vice-Chairman and Holsopple, Secretary-Treasurer. Also present Wendy Senior, Office Secretary, Chief Richard Skiles, Attorney Matthew Moore and Township Engineer Jeff Haynal. The names of those attending the meeting are attached.

It was moved by Holsopple and seconded by Tvardzik to approve the minutes of the June 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting as presented. Roll call: Blough – yes, Tvardzik – yes, Holsopple – yes.

The bill list was read aloud by Senior. It was moved by Blough and seconded by Holsopple to pay the bills as presented. Roll call: Blough – yes, Tvardzik – yes, Holsopple – yes.

**ENGINEER REPORT:** Haynal presented a written report to the board. The township will be submitting the updated semi-annual report to DEP by the end of July on the corrective action plan. The EADS Group is preparing a cost estimate to prepare the documents for sanitary sewer funding. Reviewed Ramblin' Hills Winchester Estates, Poplar Street and the Stonycreek Watershed Stormwater Management Plan. It was moved by Tvardzik and seconded by Blough to accept the report. Roll call: Blough – yes, Tvardzik – yes, Holsopple – yes.

**POLICE REPORT:** Chief Skiles presented the board with the activity report 245 calls were received out of the 245 calls 86 were received from Central City. Chief Skiles reported that the township and Windber Borough have received the shared service grant for a vehicle. The vehicle has been ordered it will arrive in 90 to 120 days. The tazer could not be repaired and a new one has been ordered the company is only charging half price for the unit which is approximately \$400.00. Henger questioned what police vehicle will be replaced. Chief Skiles stated no vehicle is being replaced the shared service vehicle will be utilized by both municipalities.

**OLD BUSINESS:** It is noted that the CPA firm has completed the 2007 audit. The audit will be advertised when the information is received from Barnes Saly & Co. It is noted that no new information has been received from Mark Walker, Codes Officer regarding the Myron Helbig property located on Babcock Park Road.

**NEW BUSINESS:** It was moved by Tvardzik and seconded by Blough to appoint the Law Firm of Dennis Stofko as attorneys for the township. Attorney Clapper no longer wishes to be on staff to handle conflict of interest items that may arise with Attorney Tokarsky. Attorney Matthew Moore will be the townships representative at the Stofko firm. Roll call: Blough – yes, Tvardzik – yes, Holsopple – yes. At this time the board welcomed Attorney Moore.

It was moved by Holsopple and seconded by Tvardzik to approve the Honkus Subdivision. Roll call: Blough – yes, Tvardzik – yes, Holsopple – yes. At this time Jerry Thomas land surveyor thanked the board for the approval of the plan.



It was moved by Tvardzik and seconded by Blough to approve the Berwind/Camp Drive land merger. Roll call: Blough – yes, Tvardzik – yes, Holsopple – yes.

Discussion was held with Henger regarding the reimbursement to him for a Roto-Rooter bill to clear a sewage blockage at his rental property located at 3416 Graham Ave. on June 16<sup>th</sup>. Henger gave a verbal history background on the issue and how his sanitary connection was installed. Henger stated he feels that this is a township line problem and he wants to be reimbursed for the Roto-Rooter bill. Henger stated this same problem was experienced about 7 or 8 years ago. Henger stated that it is his understanding through his son that the township would reimburse Henger for the bill. Blough stated that he observed flows in the manhole above and below the Henger property on June 16<sup>th</sup> at approximately 3:35 or 3:40 pm prior to Roto-Rooter arriving to clear the blockage. Blough stated he believes that this problem is the home owners. Tvardzik stated that lines must be properly trapped and vented. Discussion continued. It was agreed by Henger and the township that a camera will be placed in the lines and if the problem is a township problem Henger will be reimbursed for the \$125.00 Roto-Rooter bill and all costs associated. If the problem is the property owners Henger will pay all costs associated. Henger requested that the appointment be made as soon as possible. The township will notify Henger when the appointment is made with Roto-Rooter so that he may present.

It was moved by Tvardzik and seconded by Blough to purchase a display case for the conference room at an approximate cost of \$500.00. Roll call: Blough – yes, Tvardzik – yes, Holsopple – yes.

The correspondence was reviewed.

**OPEN FORUM:** Tomaszewski of 543 Dark Shade Dr. requested to know why he received a bill for \$95.00 from the EADS group for sewage work that was completed at his property. The \$95.00 charge is for the sewage enforcement officers time and sewage repair permit for the malfunction on his property. He voiced is displeasure regarding the cost and how his neighbor treated him regarding this situation very unchristian like. He stated he would like to see the sanitary sewer become available to the area.

It was moved by Blough and seconded by Holsopple to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 4:15 pm. Roll call: Blough – yes, Tvardzik – yes, Holsopple – yes. The next township meeting will be held on August 4<sup>th</sup> at 3:30 pm.

Kenneth P. Holsopple  
Secretary-Treasurer

## MINUTES

Paint Township 1741 Basin Drive Windber, PA 15963

August 4, 2008 3:30 pm

Chairman Blough called the meeting to order and led the board in the "Pledge of Allegiance." Other board members present were Tvardzik, Vice-Chairman and Holsopple, Secretary-Treasurer. Also present Wendy Senior, Office Secretary and Wilbert Bailey, EMC Director. The names of those attending the meeting are attached to the minutes.

It was moved by Holsopple and seconded by Tvardzik to approve the minutes of the July 7<sup>th</sup> meeting as presented. Roll call: Blough – yes, Tvardzik – yes, Holsopple – yes.

The bill list was read aloud by Senior. It was moved by Tvardzik and seconded by Holsopple to pay the bills as presented. Roll call: Blough – yes, Tvardzik – yes, Holsopple – yes.

**POLICE REPORT:** Chief Skiles presented the board with the activity report 238 calls were received out of the 238 calls 65 were received from Central City. It was moved by Blough and seconded by Holsopple to accept the report. Roll call: Blough – yes, Tvardzik – yes, Holsopple – yes.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Blough updated the board on the Henger sewage problem located at 3416 Graham Ave. Roto-Rooter placed a camera in the township main sewage line. There was no obstruction in the township lines. The blockage is the home owner's responsibility and will be taken care of by Henger.

It was moved by Tvardzik and seconded by Holsopple to adopt the amended subdivision and land development regulations to ordinance 06-4 to provide for a developers agreement and additional parameters for road inspections and amended fee schedule relative to sewage rules and regulations as presented and advertised. Roll call: Blough – yes, Tvardzik – yes, Holsopple – yes.

A correction will be made to the date of the approval of the minutes from the June 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting. The approval date of the minutes should read May 19<sup>th</sup> not June 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**NEW BUSINESS:** It was moved by Blough and seconded by Holsopple to approve the property tax sale as outlined in the letter received by the Somerset Tax Claim Bureau. The property sale is between Caroline B. Lochrie and Scott Rubinow. Roll call: Blough – yes, Tvardzik – yes, Holsopple – yes.

Blough noted the special meeting which will be held on August 18<sup>th</sup> at 3:30 pm for the exclusive purpose of opening road material bids.

It was moved by Tvardzik and seconded by Holsopple to approve the Lohr/Thomas subdivision. Roll call: Blough – yes, Tvardzik – yes, Holsopple – yes.

It was moved by Tvardzik and seconded by Blough to approve the utilities easement as builds as requested and presented for the Winchester Estates Subdivision. Roll call: Blough – yes, Tvardzik – yes, Holsopple – yes.

It was moved by Tvardzik and seconded by Blough to approve the payment of an additional cost of the purchase of the GPS system. The township received an anonymous gift of \$1,500.00 toward the purchase of the equipment. The total cost is \$4,698.10 leaving a balance of \$3,198.10. The township approved \$2,500.00 toward the purchase an additional \$698.10 is needed. Roll call: Blough – yes, Tvardzik – yes, Holsopple – yes.

Bailey informed the board that Fred Oliveros from Windber Borough and Joanne Wright from Paint Township will be handling the damage assessment for the municipalities should a disaster occur relative to Emergency Management. They will be attending training on August 21<sup>st</sup> in Somerset. Bailey will be attending a conference in State College on September 14, 15 & 16 the state will be paying for most of the cost for attendance.

The correspondence was reviewed.

**OPEN FORUM:** Durst of 448 Horn Road held discussion with the board regarding the township ignoring his requests for a speed reduction on State Route 1031 known as Horn Road. He stated that the township does not get back in touch with him on issues which makes him very upset. He requested a hidden driveway sign to be placed at his driveway. The township did receive permission from the PA Department of Transportation to place the sign. Durst requested that his comment be part of the official meeting minutes. Durst spoke with someone from the PA Department of Transportation who stated to him (Durst) that by the township not placing the "hidden driveway sign" by his driveway the township will be liable for a \$1,500,000.00 law suite should an accident occur. Blough informed Durst that the township received official notice from PA Department of Transportation that a reduction of the 45 mph speed limit is not warranted and permission was not given to reduce the speed. Documentation is on file. Durst stated the speeding is very bad and that he takes his life in his hands trying to get out of his driveway. Durst asked why the police department does not monitor speed and use the new speed timing equipment on the road. He (Durst) see's the device being used everywhere else but not on the Horn Road. Blough stated in his opinion that a private "hidden driveway" sign for property owners is not a limitative cost for the township to incur. The signs can not be enforced and that Blough spoke to Durst on this issue. Durst stated that he heard in this meeting that monies are being spent on other things and that an accident or loss of life should be more important. Durst stated that "watch children" signs are not enforceable. The board stated that they would request Chief Skiles to monitor the traffic on the Horn Road and see what type of activity is occurring. If the township needs to request a speed study again a letter will be sent to the PA Department of Transportation. Tvardzik stated to Durst that he will personally get back in contact with him in a week or two. General discussion was held on zoning.

Deitz from Babcock Park Road informed the board that Helbig is putting in a go-cart race tack on his property. Deitz stated he believes that Helbig is charging. The neighbors are upset. Tvardzik stated that the township is not zoned and has no control over such activity. Helbig would have to be established as a business. Tvardzik stated that what may be a nuisance to one person may not be to another. The codes officer will be requested to inspect this particular issue.

It was moved by Blough and seconded by Tvardzik to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 4:20 pm. Roll call: Blough – yes, Tvardzik – yes, Holsopple – yes. The next township meeting held on September 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00 pm.

Kenneth P. Holsopple

Secretary-Treasurer  
**MINUTES**  
**SPECIAL MEETING**  
**BID OPENING FOR ROAD MATERIALS**  
August 18, 2008 3:30 pm

Chairman Blough called the meeting to order. Other board members present were Tvardzik, Vice-Chairman and Holsopple, Secretary-Treasurer. Also present Wendy Senior, Office Secretary. There were no other persons present.

The following is the bid tabulation: New Enterprise Stone & Lime Co. \$99.90 material, \$6.35 milling total bid \$49,093.40. HRI, Corp. \$101.00 material, \$3.00 milling, total bid \$48,266.00. Quaker Sales Corp. \$94.25 material, \$1.25 milling, total bid \$44,420.50.

After review of each bid for completeness it was moved by Blough and seconded by Tvardzik to accept the low bid proposal of Quaker Sales Corp. at a total of \$44,420.50 bid bond enclosed. Roll call: Blough – yes, Tvardzik – yes, Holsopple – yes. The contract will be signed and returned to Quaker Sales Corp.

It was moved by Holsopple and seconded by Tvardzik to adjourn. Roll call: Blough – yes, Tvardzik – yes, Holsopple – yes. The meeting was adjourned at 3:42 pm.

Kenneth P. Holsopple  
Secretary-Treasurer

## MINUTES

Paint Township 1741 Basin Drive Windber, PA 15963

September 2, 2008 7:00 pm

Chairman Blough called the meeting to order and led the board in the "Pledge of Allegiance." Other board members present were Tvardzik, Vice-Chairman and Holsopple, Secretary-Treasurer. Also present Chief Richard Skiles and Jeff Haynal, Township Engineer. The names of those attending the meeting are attached.

It was moved by Tvardzik and seconded by Holsopple to approve the minutes of the August 4<sup>th</sup> regular meeting and the special meeting held on August 18<sup>th</sup> for the purpose of bid opening. Roll call: Blough – yes, Tvardzik – yes, Holsopple – yes.

The bill list was read aloud by Blough. It was moved by Holsopple and seconded by Tvardzik to pay the bills as presented. Roll call: Blough – yes, Tvardzik – yes, Holsopple – yes.

**ENGINEER REPORT:** Haynal reviewed his written report with the board. The latest corrective action plan was submitted to DEP by the end of July as required. It is noted that the EASDS Group will be monitoring the flow meters at Village St. and Jackson Ave. The township was allocated 30 taps for use in the CAP area the taps will expire December 31, 2008. The township may want to request taps for fiscal year 2009 in Oct. or Nov. Discussion was held on sanitary sewer funding. The EADS Group inspected the installation of and testing of the sanitary sewer in Winchester Estates. All portions of the sanitary sewer have now passed testing. The EADS Group continues to work on behalf of the township regarding the Stonycreek Watershed stormwater project. It was moved by Tvardzik and seconded by Holsopple to accept the report at submitted. Roll call: Blough – yes, Tvardzik – yes, Holsopple – yes. At this time J. Rugg asked what the Stonycreek Watershed Stormwater Management project is. Haynal explained that municipalities in the counties of Cambria and Somerset are working on a joint stormwater ordinance for the protection of the watersheds. It is commonly referred to as Act 167. This action and review is mandated by DEP and all municipalities are required to enact an ordinance. Haynal will email Rugg the draft ordinance.

**POLICE REPORT:** Chief Skiles presented the board with the activity report, 239 calls were received out of the 239 calls 77 were received from Central City. Chief Skiles noted that on this date the department received crime lab results and three additional drugs arrests will be made that are not accounted for on this monthly report. Chief Skiles reported that in reference to Don Durst's complaint of speeding on the Horn Road a special traffic detail was set up for a month. The speed timing device was set up and utilized twice a week and in that monthly period only three speeding citations were issued. A letter was sent to PennDOT requesting a speed study for the reduction of the speed limit the department has responded in writing stating that the request for a speed study is denied. Chief Skiles reported that the check has been received from the Commonwealth for the shared services grant (cruiser) between the township and Windber Borough. The car has been ordered. The department qualified on August 23<sup>rd</sup> here at the township property two officers need to be qualified and when that is completed the targets will be taken down.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Rugg, developer of the Winchester Estates was present and discussed the required electrical easements that Penelec is requiring for the development. Penelec is requiring three phase electric service. Rugg explained what is being required by Penelec and how it relates to the development.

Rugg presented the township with two maps of the final descriptions of the electrical easements. Rugg will present the township with as-built's of the water, electric and gas utilities. It was moved by Tvardzik and seconded by Blough to accept the electrical easements as requested. Roll call: Blough – yes, Tvardzik – yes, Holsopple – yes.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Discussion was held on the current building permit fees. The township has experienced a deficit in building permit fees collected as to what is being paid out in building permit code enforcement. The current rate scheduled was established in 2004. The township met with Mark Walker, Building Permit Codes Officer. The township reviewed several other neighboring municipalities' rates (Conemaugh Twp., Westmont Borough and Lower Yoder Township). The rates were reviewed and modified to meet the townships needs. After discussion it was moved by Blough and seconded by Holsopple to amend the building permit ordinance fee schedule as presented (resolution 04-1). The new rates will be posted on the township web site. Roll call: Blough – yes, Tvardzik – yes, Holsopple – yes.

It was moved by Tvardzik and seconded by Holsopple to accept the land merger subdivision plan of Berwind and Garlesky/Grub. Roll call: Blough – yes, Tvardzik – yes, Holsopple – yes.

Blough informed the board on the status of the new road department trucks. They are at Thiele Inc. Discussion was held on surplus equipment. It was moved by Blough and seconded by Tvardzik to advertise for sale the two used township road department trucks along with any other surplus equipment (roller, lee boy paver, snow plows, spreaders) that is no longer in use by the township. Roll call: Blough – yes, Tvardzik – yes, Holsopple – yes. The neighboring municipalities will be contacted to let them know that the trucks and additional equipment will be for sale. It is noted that municipalities may sell equipment to other municipalities without going through the bidding process.

Rugg requested that the township formally approve and sign the Winchester Estate sanitary sewer line installation. Blough questioned if the township should formally sign the plan before receiving the final as-built maps. Rugg stated that the sanitary sewer lines are 100% complete. Tvardzik stated that Rugg should have a letter submitted to the township for the next meeting which is September 15<sup>th</sup> stating that he (Rugg) will be responsible for the service of the sanitary sewer line for 1 (one) year. Rugg will also be providing the township with a letter explaining why the water taps will be installed at a later date. Discussion continued on the installation requirements of the water taps. Rugg held discussion with the board regarding the materials for the roads. Discussion was held on the use of BCBC and asphalt base and the thickness of the application. Blough requested that Rugg provide a letter outlining his request for the next township meeting. Blough agrees that BCBC is stronger and has no problem with his request. Haynal held discussion with Rugg on the as build surveys. Haynal stated that it is not necessary for a complete survey. Rugg stated that he is going to have his engineer do a complete survey of the utility right of ways.

**OPEN FORUM:** No comments.

The correspondence was reviewed.

It was moved by Blough and seconded by Holsopple to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 pm. Roll call: Blough – yes, Tvardzik – yes, Holsopple – yes. The next township meeting will be held on September 15<sup>th</sup> at 3:30 pm.

Kenneth P. Holsopple

Secretary-Treasurer  
**MINUTES**  
Paint Township 1741 Basin Drive Windber, PA 15963  
September 15, 2008 3:30 pm

Chairman Blough called the meeting to order and led the board in the "Pledge of Allegiance." Other board members present were Tvardzik, Vice-Chairman and Holsopple, Secretary-Treasurer. Also present Wendy Senior, Office Secretary and Chief Richard Skiles. The names of those attending the meeting are attached.

It was moved by Holsopple and seconded by Tvardzik to approve the minutes of the September 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting as presented. Roll call: Blough – yes, Tvardzik – yes, Holsopple – yes.

The bill list was read aloud by Senior. It was moved by Holsopple and seconded by Tvardzik to pay the bills as presented. Roll call: Blough – yes, Tvardzik – yes, Holsopple – yes.

**POLICE REPORT:** Chief Skiles stated that he had no information to report just day to day operations.

**OLD BUSINESS:** It was moved by Tvardzik and seconded by Blough to accept the Ridge View Estates Subdivision sewer plan connections along with the recorded ownership of the 50' radius of the cul-de-sac of Bryce Way being held by the owner of lot #2 (Spak). Roll call: Blough – yes, Tvardzik – yes, Holsopple – yes. Tvardzik stated that the developer will be responsible to provide to the township as-built drawings for the utilities within the development and that the developer will be charged for the townships inspector and the inspector for the EADS Group. Phil Petrunak stated that he understood and agreed to the inspection fees. All maps will be signed and returned for recording. The township has received approval from DEP for the sewage planning module.

It was moved by Blough and seconded by Tvardzik to accept the road design of 2 ½ inches of BcBC asphalt base and 1 1/2 inches of ID-2 Wearing on 6 inches of PennDOT 2A modified gravel for the Winchester Estates Subdivision. Roll call: Blough – yes, Tvardzik – yes, Holsopple – yes.

It was moved by Tvardzik and seconded by Blough to accept the sanitary sewer lines for the Winchester Estates Subdivision. The sewer lines have been installed and inspected by the township and the EADS Group and have met the township requirements. It is understood by the township and Wessley LLC that Wessley LLC accepts the responsibility of maintaining the sewer lines for a period of one year from this date (September 15<sup>th</sup> 2008). Roll call: Blough – yes, Tvardzik – yes, Holsopple – yes. Wessley LLC will be providing the township with as-built drawings of the sewage lines, manholes, cleanouts, and sewage taps for each lot.

**NEW BUSINESS:** The Township held discussion regarding drafting an ordinance regulating the use of township roads by gas drilling companies. The township will continue to gather additional information and Attorney Moore will be contacted for his thoughts and advice on this issue.

It was moved by Blough and seconded by Holsopple to accept the winter material bids for salt and anti-skid as bid through the Cambria-Somerset COG. Roll call: Blough – yes, Tvardzik – yes, Holsopple – yes.

It is noted that BarnesSaly & Co. CPA firm for the township will be coming to advise the township on how to close out the Capital Project Fund. This fund was set up for the major capital project (building).

**OPEN FORUM:** Henger held discussion on the sale of township equipment in reference to the minutes of the September 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting. He wanted to know if the advertisement has been made. Blough stated no. Henger suggested that the township take the metals to a scrap yard. Blough stated that the ad for the items that will be sold will not be placed until the township receives the new equipment ordered. The township may sale personal property valued at \$1,000.00 without advertising. Blough also stated that municipalities may sell items to each other forgoing the advertisement and bidding process.

The correspondence was reviewed.

It was moved by Blough and seconded by Holsopple to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 4:00 pm. Roll call: Blough – yes, Tvardzik – yes, Holsopple – yes. The next township meeting will be held on October 6<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm.

Kenneth P. Holsopple  
Secretary-Treasurer



## MIUNTES

Paint Township 1741 Basin Drive Windber, PA 15963

October 6, 2008 7:00 pm

Chairman Blough called the meeting to order and led the board in the "Pledge of Allegiance." Other board members present were Tvardzik, Vice-Chairman and Holsopple, Secretary-Treasurer. Also present Wendy Senior, Office Secretary and Chief Richard Skiles. The names of those attending the meeting are attached.

It was moved by Blough and seconded by Holsopple to accept the minutes of the September 15<sup>th</sup> meeting as presented. Roll call: Blough – yes, Tvardzik – yes, Holsopple – yes.

The bill list was read aloud by Senior. It was moved by Tvardzik and seconded by Blough to pay the bills as presented. Roll call: Blough – yes, Tvardzik – yes, Holsopple – yes.

**POLICE REPORT:** Chief Skiles presented the monthly activity report. There were a total of 209 calls of the 209 calls 60 were for Central City. There were no questions. It was moved by Tvardzik and seconded by Blough to accept the report. Roll call: Blough – yes, Tvardzik – yes, Holsopple – yes.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Chief Skiles stated that the shared service grant check has been received. The cruiser has been ordered and should be delivered within the next two weeks. Paint Township's obligation is \$6,250.00, Windber Borough's obligation is \$6,250.00 and the Commonwealth's portion is \$12,500.00. It was moved by Blough and seconded by Tvardzik to pay the township's share of the grant in the amount of \$6,250.00. Roll call: Blough – yes, Tvardzik – yes, Holsopple, yes.

**NEW BUSINESS:** It is noted that Trick or Treat night will be held on Oct. 30<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm.

It is noted that the township has contacted the local banks to secure a higher interest rate on the township accounts. Institutions contacted were Slovenian, First National Bank, First Commonwealth Bank and PLIGIT (state association of supervisor's investment). First Commonwealth has the highest interest rate at 2.25%.

It was moved by Tvardzik and seconded by Blough to approve the gravel base installed on Terrapin Dr., Falcon Dr. and Megan Drive at the Winchester Estates subdivision. Roll Call: Blough – yes, Tvardzik – yes, Holsopple – yes. It is noted that Wessley LLC plans to install asphalt on Oct. 8<sup>th</sup> or 9<sup>th</sup>.

It was moved by Tvardzik and seconded by Blough to pay the townships share of expense in the amount of \$1,641.87 for the Stonycreek River Stormwater management Plan (Act 167). Roll call: Blough – yes, Tvardzik – yes, Holsopple – yes.

**OPEN FORUM:** Henger requested to know if the equipment has been advertised for sale. Blough stated no.

The correspondence was reviewed.

It was moved by Tvardzik and seconded by Blough to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 7:20 pm. Roll call: Blough – yes, Tvardzik – yes, Holsopple – yes. The next township meeting will be held on October 20<sup>th</sup> at 3:30 pm.

## MINUTES

Paint Township 1741 Basin Drive Windber, PA 15963

October 20, 2008 3:30 pm

Chairman Blough called the meeting to order and led the board in the "Pledge of Allegiance". Other board members present were Tvardzik, Vice-Chairman and Holsopple, Secretary-Treasurer. Also present Chief Richard Skiles, Jeff Haynal, Township Engineer and Attorney Matthew Moore. The names of those attending the meeting are attached.

It was moved by Tvardzik and seconded by Holsopple to approve the minutes of the October 6<sup>th</sup> meeting as presented. Roll call: Blough – yes, Tvardzik – yes, Holsopple – yes. Henger commented that he did not see any recorded reference to the discussion held with Phil Petrunak regarding his subdivision and didn't that have to be recorded in the minutes. Tvardzik stated that when Petrunak brings something official to be acted upon it will be entered into the minutes of that meeting.

The bill list was read aloud by Holsopple. It was moved by Holsopple and seconded by Tvardzik to pay the bills as presented. Roll call: Blough – yes, Tvardzik – yes, Holsopple – yes.

**SOLICITORS REPORT:** Attorney Moore reported that the township is looking to update the weight limit ordinance which is still in the planning and drafting phase. The EADS Group will have to perform core testing of the townships roads. Additional information will be forth coming. Tvardzik stated that the township is trying to be proactive in this area due to the drilling for the Marcellus shale. The updated ordinance would also cover logging and strip mining operations using township roads. It was moved by Blough and seconded by Tvardzik to accept the verbal report. Roll call: Blough – yes, Tvardzik – yes, Holsopple – yes.

**POLICE REPORT:** Chief Skiles reported that the departments have taken possession of the shared service vehicle. It is currently at Team Force having the lighting and radio systems installed. The vehicle should be in service with in the next two to three weeks. At this time Henger asked what color the vehicle was Skiles stated it is blue and it will be unmarked.

**ENGINEER REPORT:** Haynal presented a written report which he reviewed. The CAP remains unchanged. The status for sanitary sewer extension funding remains on hold through RUS as stated by Barb McMillen until word is received from Washington D.C. No information to report on Ramblin Hills' or the Winchester Estates subdivisions. Discussion was held on the on lot sewage malfunction on Poplar Street. The right of way will have to be looked into. It was moved by Blough and seconded by Tvardzik to authorize the EADS Group to research the right of way to have the sewage malfunction corrected. Haynal stated he will copy Attorney Moore on all information that is obtained. The EADS Group prepared a comment letter on the townships behalf dealing with the Stonycreek Watershed Stormwater Management. As of this date no response has been received. It was moved by Blough and seconded by Holsopple to approve the engineer report. Roll call: Blough – yes, Tvardzik – yes, Holsopple – yes.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Blough reported that all three supervisors attended a meeting with the Somerset County Commissioners. It was a county wide informational meeting and was very good. The commissioners outlined services that are available within the county. In attendance was a professor from Penn State who gave a presentation on the Marcellus shale gas drilling. Some concerns are for the water contamination

and consumption. Tvardzik stated that informational packets on the issue are on the back table for anyone to take. General discussion took place.

**NEW BUSINESS:** No business to attend to.

The correspondence was reviewed.

**OPEN FORUM:** Henger held discussion regarding the Poplar Street sanitary sewer. He stated that he hoped that all would pay equally and this is the first time he is hearing anything about the Ferrante property. Blough stated that the Ferrante property is connected to the sanitary sewer at the property owner's expense. The three properties were not part of the project area (Hoffman, Ferrante, and Gipe). The Hoffman's and Ferrante's paid for the installation of the line to their properties. The township regulation provides for the township to bring the lines within 150' anything further is at the property owner's expense. The Gipe property was missed by the Somerset County Redevelopment Authority. Blough stated the township will continue to work on a correction for the malfunction. Discussion continued on the issue. Henger asked what the monthly service fees are. Blough stated that the Paint Township monthly service fees are the same as all other service areas within the township. However some areas will pay a double monthly service fees if sewage flows through another municipality.

Rugg held discussion regarding the Marcellus shale gas drilling. He questioned if the township had any information regarding the Windber Area Authority leasing any of their property for gas drilling. Blough stated he did not know. Rugg stated the water is a concern. Rugg invited the board to the grand opening of the Winchester Estate Development which is scheduled for October 23<sup>rd</sup> he will get back in contact with the board on the time. Rugg stated that he is very pleased with the corporation that occurred between the township and Windber Borough dealing with the sewage agreement. Rugg stated that he will have a letter for the board within the next several weeks for the acceptance of the asphalt base. He also had some suggestions that the township may want to accept regarding the testing of thickness of roads. Core testing is costly and Rugg suggested using weigh slips for the amount of materials. Blough stated that the road work within the development was very good.

It was moved by Blough and seconded by Holsopple to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 4:05 pm. Roll call: Blough – yes, Tvardzik – yes Holsopple – yes. The next township meeting will be held on November 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00 pm.

Kenneth P. Holsopple  
Secretary-Treasurer

## MINUTES

Paint Township 1741 Basin Drive Windber, PA 15963

November 3, 2008 7:00 pm

Chairman Blough called the meeting to order and led the board in the "Pledge of Allegiance". Other board members present were Tvardzik, Vice-Chairman and Holsopple, Secretary-Treasurer. Also present Wendy Senior, Office Secretary and Chief Richard Skiles. The names of those attending the meeting are attached.

It was moved by Tvardzik and seconded by Holsopple to approve the minutes of the October 20<sup>th</sup> meeting as presented. Roll call: Blough – yes, Tvardzik – yes, Holsopple – yes.

The bill list was read aloud by Senior. It was moved by Holsopple and seconded by Tvardzik to pay the bills as presented. Roll call: Blough – yes, Tvardzik – yes, Holsopple – yes.

**POLICE REPORT:** Chief Skiles presented the activity report. There were a total of 234 calls received and out the 234 calls 66 were in Central City. It was moved by Blough and seconded by Holsopple to accept the report. Roll call: Blough – yes, Tvardzik – yes, Holsopple – yes.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Chief Skiles informed the board that he has applied for a federal grant through Congressman Murtha for a police cruiser.

**NEW BUSINESS:** It was moved by Tvardzik and seconded by Blough to approve the Myron Shaffer Subdivision as presented. Roll call: Blough – yes, Tvardzik – yes, Holsopple – yes. All maps will be signed and returned for recording.

It is noted that the township will hold a budget workshop on November 17<sup>th</sup> at 2:30 pm. Also the board will be attending a workshop at the Sipesville Fire Hall at 9:00 am on November 13<sup>th</sup> regarding the Marcellus shale gas drilling.

It was moved by Tvardzik and seconded by Blough to approve the asphalt base (PennDOT BcBc) installed on Terrapin Drive, Falcon Drive, and Megan Drive in the Winchester estates subdivision. The asphalt base meets the townships requirements. It is understood by the township and Wessley, LLC that Wessley, LLC will be responsible for the winter maintenance and this approval is not acceptance for the township to take over the roads. Roll call: Blough – yes, Tvardzik – yes, Holsopple – yes. General discussion was held regarding the traffic flow through the development. Chief Skiles stated that he makes a drive through but as far as regular patrols at this time the roads in the development are private. Chief Skiles requested that if a problem occurs to please call 911 and an officer will most certainly respond. Rugg stated that he may place long speed bumps with markings throughout the road system within the development. They will be removed at a later date. Informal discussion was held on a speed limit within the development. Chief Skiles stated that in his opinion it is a residential area and that 25 mph should be fine. The speed limit will be determined and acted upon when the township takes possession of the roads. Rugg stated that he believes that the planning commission approved 15 mph.

The correspondence was reviewed.

**OPEN FORUM:** Henger stated that Blough answered his question regarding the time of the budget workshop on November 17<sup>th</sup> so that question has already been answered under new business. Henger held discussion on the Ridge View Estates subdivision and how much time has the township spent monitoring the work in the development. Blough stated that no work has begun within the Ridge View Estates subdivision. Blough stated that he drives through several times a week but as of this date no work has begun. Blough and Tvardzik stated that they have completed some work on the main road in the Ramblin' Hills area. Blough stated that Petrunak has approvals to begin work on the Ridge View Estates subdivision but as of this date they have not started on the project.

It was noted by Tvardzik that he spoke with Haynal this date and the township will be requesting to be lifted from the plan of correction. This request will be made in December to the Department of Environmental Protection. The EADS Group has been monitoring the flow meters at Village St. and Jackson Ave. and there have been no problems in that area with infiltration.

It was moved by Blough and seconded by Tvardzik to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 7:20 pm. Roll call: Blough – yes, Tvardzik – yes, Holsopple – yes. The next township meeting will be held on November 17<sup>th</sup> at 3:30 pm.

Kenneth P. Holsopple  
Secretary-Treasurer

**MINUTES  
BUDGET WORKSHOP**

Paint Township 1741 Basin Drive Windber, PA 15963  
November 17, 2:30 p.m.

Chairman Blough called the meeting to order. Other board members present were Tvardzik, Vice-Chairman and Holsopple, Secretary-Treasurer. Also present Wendy Senior, Office Secretary and Chief Richard Skiles. The names of those attending the special budget workshop meeting are attached.

The board reviewed budget line items and prepared the 2009 fiscal budget. Discussion was held on all departments. Henger asked if the township was in the black for 2008. As of this date the township is in a positive position. General discussion continued regarding the added line item for an additional donation to all three volunteer fire departments who serve the township. The board discussed establishing a contingency fund. The CPA firm may be contacted for proper procedure on establishing the account. All receipt and expenditure line items were held as close as possible. The tentative 2009 budget does not include a tax increase and has been prepared as such. The tax structure will remain the same. The millage rate is 8. Henger asked if the situation at Thiele Inc. (employee contract problem) has affected the township receiving their trucks. Blough stated yes the township does not know when it will receive the new trucks. Chief Skiles reviewed his proposed budget all line items were held as close as possible. The township prepared the budget according to the requirements of the union contracts. The workshop was closed at 3:10 p.m.

Kenneth P. Holsopple  
Secretary-Treasurer

## MINUTES

Paint Township 1741 Basin Drive Windber, PA 15963

November 17, 2008 3:30 p.m.

Chairman Blough called the meeting to order and led the board in the "Pledge of Allegiance". Other board members present were Tvardzik, Vice-Chairman and Holsopple, Secretary-Treasurer. Also present Wendy Senior, Office Secretary, Chief Richard Skiles and Wilbert Bailey, Emergency Management Coordinator. The names of those attending the meeting are attached to the minutes.

At this time Chairman Blough turned the meeting over to Will Bailey, EMC. Bailey presented Joanne Wright with her training certification from the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency and a "go pack". Bailey as well as the Board of Supervisors thanked Joanne for volunteering to be an initial damage reporter on behalf of the township should a disaster occur.

It was moved by Blough and seconded by Holsopple to accept the minutes of the November 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting as presented. Tvardzik stated that the Cargill bill was for two loads of salt. Roll call: Blough – yes, Tvardzik – yes, Holsopple – yes.

The bill list was read aloud by Senior. It was moved by Holsopple and seconded by Tvardzik to pay the bills as presented. Roll call: Blough – yes, Tvardzik – yes, Holsopple –yes.

**POLICE REPORT:** Chairman Blough called the board into an executive session at 3:40 pm. The board returned at 3:43 pm. Henger asked what the executive session was regarding. Chief Skiles stated it was regarding a police personnel issue.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Chairman Blough reported that the board attended a workshop regarding the Marcellus Shale gas drilling. It was a county wide workshop conducted by the Somerset County Township Supervisors Association it was very well attended and informative. The township will need to update the weight limit ordinance for the township roads. The township will be working with Attorney Moore regarding the ordinance as soon as possible. Blough stated that DEP will issue all permits for the drilling. The main local obligation will be for the condition and protection of the roads. General discussion continued regarding the amount of water that this type of operation requires and damages that occur to the local roads. Tvardzik stated that some jurisdiction up in the northern part of the state have been experiencing problems with drilling companies coming into the area and not following proper permitting procedures. Tvardzik continued discussion on the cost for bonding and the documentation that may be required regarding the condition of the local roads. Blough stated that the township have to follow the PennDOT posting requirements to officially post the roads.

Blough stated the township trucks are still held up over at Thiele's due to the employee contract situation. The township does not know when they will be delivered.

**NEW BUSINESS:** It was moved by Tvardzik and seconded by Blough to tentatively approve the 2009 budget. Roll call: Blough – yes, Tvardzik – yes, Holsopple – yes. The total budget is \$961,134.90. The township as of this date is operating with an approximate \$22,000.00 surplus. All tax rates will remain the same for fiscal year 2009. Blough stated the township added a line item this year for an additional contribution to the three volunteer fire companies that service the township. The contribution will be given in

addition to the insurance compensation premiums and the state foreign fire insurance monies that the township pays. Rugg asked what the township has contributed to the fire departments in past years. Blough stated that the township has not given an additional contribution to the fire departments for quite some time outside of paying for the insurance compensation and the foreign fire insurance. The township appreciates and recognizes the valuable professional service the departments give to our community. Rugg also expressed his appreciation at the service the fire departments provide. Blough stated the township can appreciate the tremendous cost in operations that the fire departments have to incur and we all must work together. The tentative budget will be advertised and open for public for twenty days.

Discussion was held on the police service contract with Central City Borough. Currently the police service contract is for one year. Chief Skiles stated that Central City Borough asked if the contact could be extended to a four year contract. With a four year contact it becomes easier to prepare the budgets for the municipalities. The working relationship is going very well and the Borough is pleased with the service the township department is providing. It was moved by Tvardzik and seconded by Holsopple to approve the four year police service contract with Central City Borough. Roll call: Blough – yes, Tvardzik – yes, Holsopple – yes. The Borough of Central City will enact the contract at their board meeting to be held in December.

The correspondence was reviewed.

**OPEN FORUM:** Henger stated that he attended the budget workshop this date at 2:30 and he commends the board for their preparation of the 2009 budget in holding the taxes in these hard economic times. He likes the discussion he heard for future planning and the discussion regarding establishing a contingency fund. He wishes more residents would attend the meetings to become informed about the community.

John Pruchnic of Spruce Street held discussion with the board regarding installation of the sanitary sewer in that area of the township. He would like for the sanitary sewer to be extended into his neighborhood. The history of funding income surveys and documented violations of the past years was revisited. The board assured Pruchnic that they have and will continue to apply for funding for the sanitary sewer. The township plans to have meetings with the newly elected state and federal officials. The township appreciates his position regarding this issue. Henger asked if the township had any idea of the amount of the sewer and water referendum monies that would be coming into the local area. The referendum was on the November ballot and was passed by the voters. The township does not know the amount of monies that may be coming to the local area. Henger stated that this area of the state does not receive a fair share of the grant monies. General discussion continued on the funding requirements, length of loans and the monthly sewer bills that the township residents may have to pay. Blough stated that the EADS Group is on top of the funding applications on behalf of the township.

Rugg stated he will be installing stop signs with in the Winchester Estates Subdivision.

It was moved by Tvardzik and seconded by Holsopple to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 4:00 pm. Roll call: Blough – yes, Tvardzik – yes, Holsopple – yes. The next township meeting will be held on December 1<sup>st</sup> at 7:00 pm.

Kenneth P. Holsopple  
Secretary-Treasurer



## MINUTES

Paint Township 1741 Basin Drive Windber, PA 15963

December 15, 2008 3:30 pm

Chairman Blough called the meeting to order and led the board in the "Pledge of Allegiance". Other board members present were Tvardzik, Vice-Chairman and Holsopple, Secretary-Treasurer. Also present Wendy Senior, Office Secretary and Chief Richard Skiles. The names of those attending the meeting are attached to the minutes. Note the December 1, 2008 meeting was cancelled.

It was moved by Blough and seconded by Tvardzik to approve the minutes of the budget workshop and the regular township meeting held on November 17<sup>th</sup> as presented. Roll call: Blough – yes, Tvardzik – yes, Holsopple – yes.

The bill list was read aloud by Senior. Audience member M. McCracken asked what the Stofko Law Office bill was regarding. Blough informed McCracken that Attorney Clapper is no longer on staff with the township and Attorney Stofko has been appointed in his (Clappers) position. It was moved by Holsopple and seconded by Tvardzik to pay the bills as presented. Roll call: Blough – yes, Tvardzik – yes, Holsopple – yes.

**POLICE REPORT:** Chief Skiles presented the board with the activity report. There were a total of 217 calls for the month out of the 217 calls 64 were for Central City. Chief Skiles updated the board regarding the execution of the extended four year contract with Central City Borough. The borough will be enacting the contract at their next regular meeting. McCracken questioned if the yearly contract price for services remained the same for the four years. Chief Skiles explained that the contract price does remain the same for each of the four years. At the end of the contract cycle the price is revisited and adjusted. Chief Skiles stated this will give the municipalities stability in budgeting for those four years. The contract agreement does have clauses providing for unforeseen costs that could be assessed. It was moved by Blough and seconded by Holsopple to accept the police report as presented. Roll call: Blough – yes, Tvardzik – yes, Holsopple – yes.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Discussion was held on the 2009 budget. Blough stated the budget was tentatively approved and open for public inspection. Blough asked if any board member had any comments. Tvardzik stated that the tax structure will remain the same for 2009. The millage rate is 8. Tvardzik stated that the township has seen an increase in the valuation of the township and held expenditures. It was moved by Tvardzik and seconded by Holsopple to adopt the 2009 budget as prepared. Roll call: Blough – yes, Tvardzik – yes, Holsopple – yes. The total budget is \$961,134.90.

**NEW BUSINESS:** It was moved by Tvardzik and seconded by Holsopple to adopt the Act 600 police pension ordinance. Tvardzik stated that he spoke with Attorney Stofko and he found no problems with the ordinance and advised the township to approve it as presented. Roll call: Blough – yes, Tvardzik – yes, and Holsopple – yes.

It is noted that the townships right to know officer will be Andy Tvardzik. Haynal with the EADS Group submitted an engineer report by email. Blough stated that there is no new information on projects that are

being worked on. Haynal continues to work on sewage funding.

Chief Skiles held discussion with the board regarding the DARE program. The township has not received notification that the funding will be in place from the Commonwealth through PCCD. The 2009 township police budget does not provide for the program. The Windber School District and the police department are working together to provide for a drug resistance program for the coming year and for an officer to be visible and available to the students. But as of this date there is nothing in place. General discussion continued.

The correspondence was reviewed.

**OPEN FORUM:** Blough updated the board on the road department trucks. The township was notified that one of the trucks should be available by the end of this week and the township should acquire the other truck within the next week. It is noted that the township will be advertising the township trucks and other items previously approved for sale sometime in January. Tvardzik stated that the township does have people interested in purchasing the trucks. Tvardzik also held discussion on the newly passed Senate Bill 100 requiring building contractors doing more than \$5,000.00 of work annually to be registered in the State.

It was moved by Blough and seconded by Holsopple to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 3:50 pm. Roll call: Blough – yes, Tvardzik – yes, Holsopple – yes. The next township meeting will be held on January 5<sup>th</sup>, 2009.

Kenneth P. Holsopple  
Secretary-Treasurer