#### GENESEE TOWNSHIP

# REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

# AGENDA

# August 11, 2020

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**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**ROLL CALL**

**REVIEW & APPROVAL OF:** Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes held on July 14, 2020.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

**REPORTS:**

***Supervisors:***

***Roadmaster:***

***Secretary/Treasurer:*** I am still working with Joel Long in completing the Liquid Fuels Audit. It has been a slow process, but so far he is satisfied with all the documents that he requested. All that is left to send is payroll and a completed copy of the Whitney Hill Project. The Township is still receiving payments for the Solid Waste Delinquent accounts, but there are quite a few accounts that have not responded at all. I suggest to the Board of Supervisors to send out another reminder notice since it has been almost 60 days since the first notice was sent. Quarterly reports for the 2nd quarter we filed and submitted on July 23rd. I recently created road bonding instructions as well an overweight/road bonding permit application packet and posted it on the Township’s website. I will be doing the same for building permit applications sometime this month. The Township received the PSATS news bulletin this month that was full of good information that I would like to share: On July 16th, the Commonwealth implemented new mitigation measures for COVID-19 that apply to Township meetings. The new orders restrict indoor gatherings to 25 people. Townships are to comply with the new orders, which may impact public meetings. The Senate recently moved HB 1069 forward, which would amend the Sunshine Act to require all agencies, including Township, to post a meeting agenda will all items that the board intends to deliberate or consider at least 24 hours in advance on the agency’s website, and at the location of the meeting. The board could discuss and vote on only those items that were listed on the posted agenda unless a majority of the board first votes to add new items to the agenda. PSATS is urging a statewide push to count every person in every Township for the 2020 Census.

***Upcoming meetings:*** On August 13th, the Conservation District will be meeting with the Township to discuss several topics; Stormwater Management, 911 addressing, permitting, County planning etc. The goal of the meeting is to further develop the working relationships between municipalities, the Conservation District, and the County Planning/GIS department with intentions of updating the Resource Booklet with any additional information gathered from the Township’s feedback.

*\* Park balances were provided by Roxan Thompson.*

**Account Balances as of 8/10/20:**  
**General:** $46,863.12

**State:** $140,635.79

**Impact Fund:** $44,130.24

**Solid Waste:** $542.08

**Park General:** $9,315.26

**Park Building:** $3,406.20

***Officers/Boards/Committees****:*

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

* Letter received from Ruth Davis regarding Solid waste. – In 2018 the Township’s Solicitor Austin White wrote the Township regarding “special service” code and applicable laws. His response: “The separate account requirement of the Code only applies to assessments charged against owners/occupants/tenants of real property. The annual fee would be an assessment because it is charged against everyone, regardless of whether they use the collection service. If the Township eliminates the assessment and begins charging a reasonable rate only to those that use the collection service, the funds that are collected are not “assessments”, and they may be placed in the general operating account”.
* Complaint/concern from Susan Valentine regarding ATV’s misusing Township roads. – A copy of the Township’s Ordinance 1 of 2019 “An Ordinance amending Ordinance 1 of 2014, to Open all Roads and Streets within the Township Jurisdiction to ATV/Snowmobile Use” was provided to Susan Valentine. Secretary Dreas contacted Todd Peifer from Department of Conservation and Natural Resources to post “ATV-Slow Area” signs on Dogtown Road and Ridge Road, he will be posting these signs by August 23rd.

NEW BUSINESS:

* Petition for Pennsylvania Local Channel Access (Genesee and Harrison Township).
* Property for sale beside Township. Tax parcel 100-005-044A; .840 acre
* 2021 Financial Requirement and Minimum Municipal Obligation from Thomas J. Anderson & Associates, Inc; Municipal pension.
* Statewide Tax Recovery LLC; exemption request form for Lewis Cook.

**ACTION ITEM and/or NOTICE CORRESPONDENCES:**

* Anonymous complaint regarding a pavilion and small home/shed that was built in the campground area on wintergreen road that did not submit a building permit. – Contacted ERB Inspections to have an inspection done, have not received a response yet.
* Anonymous complaint/concern regarding an electric fence beside the trestle creek bed, where residents, to include many children swim at and is dangerous. – Secretary Dreas used Google earth with property lines to show the property line. The property line goes beyond the creek bed of the trestle, the Township has no authority regarding this matter.

**REVIEW & APPROVAL: of financial reports and bills that come due**

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