Silver Lake Township Regular Meeting August 7, 2023

Francis Fruehan called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm and called for a salute to the flag.

The minutes from the July meeting were read and approved on a motion made by Richard DeLousia and seconded by Evan Everitt.

The treasurer report was read, approved and held for audit on a motion made by Evan Everitt and seconded by Richard DeLousia, all approved.

Public Comment - none

Old and New Business: Francis Fruehan said that Police Chief Andrew Genneken has notified the township that he now has alternate means of medical insurance other than that provided by the township and his medical insurance through the township can be terminated. The Supervisors discussed an upward hourly pay adjustment for the Police Chief now that he will no longer be on the township medical plan. Francis Fruehan made a motion to increase his hourly rate to \$24.00/hour, Richard DeLousia seconded, all approved.

Evan Everitt has been talking with the Silver Lake Company Chief, Rodney Stevens, about their proposed new communications tower on the hill behind the Fireman's Field Day Grounds as well as the possibility of township contributing money toward the project to help out. The township will be able to use the tower for its road crew and police radio communications.

Evan Everitt made a motion to add to the agenda the purchase of equipment from Long Communications Inc., Francis Fruehan seconded, all approved.

Long Communications Systems Inc. would be the company for the installation on the tower and is Susquehanna County's contractor and would not exceed the cost of \$10,000.

Evan Everitt made a motion to spend up to \$10,000 on the equipment for the tower, Richard DeLousia seconded, all approved.

Evan Everitt made a motion to add a second item to the agenda for the purchase of equipment, Francis Fruehan seconded, all approved.

Evan Everitt said he would like to purchase a JD524P Loader. The current loader if 20 years old. The new loader is larger than the existing one and would be purchased under the Sourcewell contract which is similar to the Costars program. The cost would be \$200,781.85 and would be paid partially with funds from the funds received from the American Rescue program and the remaining from the equipment fund.

Evan Everitt made a motion to purchase the equipment for \$200,781.85 – using \$200,781.85 from the funds in the American Rescue account and balance from the equipment fund, Richard DeLousia seconded, all approved.

Francis Fruehan read the police report with five incidents and ten traffic stops for the month of July.

Evan Everitt gave the road report – starting the Dirt and Gravel Road Project on Sweeney Road.

Assessment permits - none

Driveway permits – none

Evan Everitt made a motion to pay the bills as submitted, Richard DeLousia seconded, all approved.

As no further business was presented, Francis Fruehan made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Evan Everitt seconded, all approved.

Sandra Brink Secretary Supervisors Present: Francis Fruehan Evan Everitt Richard DeLousia