

Liberty Township Board of Supervisors  
39 Topper Road, Fairfield, PA 17320

March 19, 2020  
Road Audit Meeting Minutes

The Board of Supervisors of Liberty Township, Adams County, met Thursday, March 19, 2020 at 9 AM to perform an inspection of the Liberty Township roads. The road inspection was conducted from 9:20 AM until noon. At noon, they returned to the Liberty Township Municipal Building, 39 Topper Road, Fairfield, PA 17320, to meet and discuss the road inspection.

**Present:** Chairman Walter Barlow, Vice-Chairman Robert Jackson, Supervisor Robert Keilholtz; and Secretary/Treasurer Wendy Peck.

Mr. Barlow called the meeting to order at 12:01 PM.

**Public Comment:** No public was present.

**Road Discussion:** Mr. Barlow reported that the three supervisors and Road Department Employee Bruce Pecher met that morning to tour and inspect the township roads from 9:20 AM to 12 noon.

Mr. Keilholtz stated that the roads needed ditching, culvert cleaning and rip rap placement.

Mr. Jackson suggested using more Fog Seal applications after Tar and Chip work is done because of the success of last year's application to Topper Road.

There was a discussion about the condition of Rist Trail area private roads and how to bring the roads up to acceptable standards. It was stated that they were in bad shape and the Board brainstormed options to assist the residents in the area. There was talk about a need for an HOA in the Rist Trail area. The Board would be interested in discussing options with the Rist Trail residents if they initiated a meeting with the Township Supervisors.

Mr. Barlow stated that Gil Picarelli from KPI gave a quote of approximately \$4,000 to complete the PA DEP GP-11 General Permit application that was needed in order to perform maintenance to the bridge over Branch Creek on Old Waynesboro Road. There was much discussion about how to complete the permit application for a lower cost. Mr. Keilholtz and Mr. Barlow entertained the idea of going to the DEP offices and filling it out onsite with assistance from DEP.

Mr. Barlow talked about the roads that would be affected by the new truck traffic ordinance and roads that currently have a weight restriction ordinance. He also talked about line painting. He stated that single lines could be used on some roads but could not be purchased with liquid fuels. He stated that the single lines would be to aid drivers and could not be used by the police for enforcing traffic laws. Mr. Barlow talked about the need for a boom mower and mentioned that there had been discussions with Hamiltonban Township about contracting with them. He mentioned that the road department would try to perform the ditching in house. The Supervisors were in agreement that knuckle bucket was need for road culvert cleaning. The board continued to talk about hydraulics for the John Deer Backhoe and buying a used knuckle bucket.

**Police Truck Discussion:**

Mr. Keilholtz made a motion to move forward with taking the necessary steps to transfer the Police Department truck to the Road Department. Mr. Jackson seconded the motion. All voted yes, and the motion passed.

**Adjourn:** At 12:42 PM Mr. Barlow moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Jackson seconded the motion. All voted yes, and the motion passed. The next regular Board of Supervisors meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 7, 2020, at 7:30 PM at the Township Municipal Building. Mr. Barlow asked that the Secretary send a thank you letter to Jacoby Transportation for generously donating the use of a van for the road inspection.

Respectfully Submitted,

  
Wendy Peck  
Secretary/Treasurer