

**CHOCONUT TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS MEETING –December 5, 2022**  
**Supervisor William A. Dovin – Phone 570-553-2469, Supervisor Roger L. Doolittle, Phone 570-553-2146**  
**Supervisor Michael Mordovancey. Phone 607-201-5968**

**MONTHLY BUSINESS MEETING**

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Supervisors was held at the township meeting room, beginning at 7:30 p.m. Sup. Dovin called the meeting to order and led in the pledge of allegiance to the American flag. The roll was called; all three supervisors were in attendance.

**Attendees at the Meeting** –Steve Pratt, Wendy Zapolski, Judy Ramsay.

**Presentation of minutes and treasurer’s report** – A motion was made by Sup. Doolittle, seconded by Sup. Mordovancey and unanimously carried by the board to approve the minutes and treasurer’s report as presented.

**Citizens Input on the Agenda** – No one had any input to share.

**Reports of the board, commissions and committees**

**Susquehanna Co. Council of Governments, C.O.G. Sewage and Codes Committees** –

Sup. Dovin said that due to a snowstorm, a meeting was not held. He reported that the Susquehanna County of Governments owns 5 acres of property which they were considering selling. Sup. Dovin suggested that they check to see if there was any gas money to be paid to the COG for the right to drill on the 5 acres. The net result was that the COG sold the drilling rights to a gas company at a cost of \$1,500 per acre and they will not be selling the property at this time.

**Report of Susquehanna Co. Planning Commission Meeting.** John Ramsay was unable to attend the township meeting due to illness. His wife, Judy, shared his report that a meeting was held in November, but nothing was discussed that pertained to Choconut Township.

**Report of Supervisors on Current Roadwork** – snowplows are on and equipment is ready for the Winter. We had some problems with ice on Kellam Road. The roads are in pretty good shape. We received notice that the Mattes Road Dirt and Gravel Road project which was submitted this year for next year’s work was not approved. The supervisors were told that the project was a good one and therefore it may be resubmitted next year.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Budget for 2023**

A motion was made by Sup. Doolittle, seconded by Sup. Mordovancey and unanimously carried by the board to adopt the budget for 2023 as presented.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Resolution 12-05-23 – Act 57 Property Tax Penalty Waiver**

Act 57 was adopted by the legislature in Harrisburg, PA, and all municipalities must adopt a resolution to direct the tax collector to implement its provisions. The act provides for property owners who do not receive their tax notices in the mail and it enables them to avoid a late fee for payment of taxes. A motion was made by Sup. Doolittle, seconded by Sup Mordovancey and unanimously carried by the board to adopt the resolution as presented. A form must be completed, signed and given to the tax collector in order to avoid the late fee.

**Signing of Winter Maintenance Agreement with Friendsville Borough.**

A motion was made by Sup. Doolittle, seconded by Sup. Mordovancey and unanimously carried by the board to sign the agreement.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION** –

No one made any comments at this point in the meeting.

**APPROVAL OF BILL LIST 2022-11, CURRENT BILLS AND PAYROLL**

A motion was made by Sup. Doolittle, seconded by Sup. Mordovancey and unanimously carried by the board to approve the bill list, current bills and payroll.

**ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Sup. Doolittle seconded by Sup. Dovin and unanimously carried by the board to adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda A. Gittoes, Choconut Township Secretary-Treasurer  
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