

MANHEIM TOWNSHIP
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Minutes, Manheim Township Board of Supervisors Meeting
July 25, 2022

The Manheim Township Board of Supervisors, York County, PA met on Monday, July 25, 2022 for a special meeting.

The following were in attendance:

Larry Miller, Chairman
Nate Osborne, Vice Chairman
Rose Kirkpatrick, Supervisor- via telephone
Dennis Perks, Public Works Manager

Not Present:

Michelle Hershey, Secretary-Treasurer
John Elliott, Solicitor

There were 2 people in the audience.

Chairman Miller called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM with the Pledge to the Flag.

New Business–

Backhoe repair or replace

The Board of Supervisors met to discuss whether to repair or replace the backhoe. Public Works Manager Perks stated that he received a quote to repair the backhoe with an estimated amount of \$20,000.00, best case scenario. Public Works Manager Perks provided 3 quotes for new backhoes from Stephenson Equipment – JCB \$129,000.00, Cleveland Brothers – CAT \$138,000.00 and Plasterers Equipment – John Deere \$170,000.00 that were reviewed by the Board of Supervisors. Chairman Miller asked if any of the dealers were offering a trade-in value. Public Works Manager Perks stated Plasterer's stated approximately \$20,000.00. The other two dealers would need to come and look at the backhoe. Chairman Miller asked Public Works Manager Perks which backhoe he is most interested in. Public Works Manager Perks stated he is looking at the JCB. Chairman Miller asked Public Works Manager Perks about the bucket swivel and Public Works Manager Perks stated that he would take that off and keep it. Vice Chairman Osborne asked if Public Works Manager Perks had any experience with the JCB's. Public Works Manager Perks stated that a couple people have run them and said that they are a good machine, but they didn't run them for that long, so he doesn't have any pros or cons. Vice Chairman Osborne stated that his concern is there wasn't a lot of experienced service in the area. The JCB's come from Europe and were all metric size so trying to get hydraulic hoses repaired or replaced, clamps put on, it's more of a chore. Vice Chairman Osborne wasn't sure if that changed from when he used the JCB. Public Works Manager Perks stated that there is a shop in Hanover that deals with a lot of standard hand metric lines. That is where Public Works Manager Perks has been going to get parts for the boom mower. Chairman Millers asked about warranty

on the backhoes. Public Works Manager Perks stated that they all have standard 2-year warranties with options to get extended warranties for the drive train. Public Works Manager Perks stated that Stephenson Equipment has one JCB in stock now and Plasterer's still has not gotten back to him on the availability of the John Deere. Resident Joshua Smith stated that he would not recommend getting a JCB because they are very difficult to work on. Resident Lynn Smith stated you can stand behind purchasing a CAT or John Deere but not a JCB. Chairman Miller asked why there isn't a quote provided for CASE. Public Works Manager Perks stated that he isn't a fan of CASE. Resident Lynn Smith asked if all these quotes are on state contract. Public Works Manager Perks stated yes. Resident Lynn Smith asked about the current buckets for the 310 will they fit a new John Deere. Public Works Manager Perks stated that he is trying to steer away from John Deere. Chairman Miller stated that if you put the swivel on doesn't the bucket attach to the swivel. Public Works Manager Perks stated that they could modify the swivel if they don't fit right. Resident Lynn Smith asked if Public Works Manager Perks planned on using a hydraulic hammer or hydraulic skid plate, would the boom plumbing fit for that. Public Works Manager Perks stated that it already has extra hydraulic lines for accessories. Chairman Miller stated that Public Works Manager Perks needs to find out for sure what will fit, such as the buckets, swivel and what it will take to remount it from the 310 to a new one. Chairman Miller asked Public Works Manager Perks what kind of a bind he is in now without having a backhoe. Public Works Manager Perks stated that for now he can use West Manheim Townships backhoe if he really needs to. Chairman Miller stated that because of the current issues with the John Deere backhoe we have now he would rather put the \$20,000.00 in to repairing it than purchasing a new John Deere. The Board of Supervisors requested Public Works Manager Perks to get more information on what will fit and what will interchange. Vice Chairman Osborne stated that when he hears about what the road department is looking to lift, which are fairly heavy boxes he would feel better if he knew the piece of equipment that Public Works Manager Perks wanted to purchase and if it can actually handle the weight. Vice Chairman Osborne stated we need to know what we are buying and what its capabilities are. The Board of Supervisors would like to know what the piece of equipment will and won't do. Board of Supervisors also suggested that Public Works Manager look into less expensive used backhoes.

Chairman Miller made a motion, seconded by Vice Chairman Osborne to table the purchase of the backhoe until the August 15, 2022, meeting.

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Next Meeting – August 15, 2022 @7:00 pm

With no further business Chairman Miller adjourned the meeting at 7:43 pm.