

THURSDAY, November 1, 2017
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
ROARING BROOK TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

The regular meeting of the Roaring Brook Township Board of Supervisors was held on Thursday November 1, 2017 at 8:00 pm at the Municipal Building on Blue Shutters Road. Present were Supervisors Anthony Jordan, Robert Farischon and Eric Schield, Attorney Michael O'Brien, Chief Donald Hickey, Paul Kozik, Gerard Hetman from Lackawanna County, Pat Pallien, Monica Scaduto, Diane Walls and Michele Wilk.

Jordan announced on October 30, 2017 at 11:00am an Executive Session was held to discuss potential litigation.

Gerard Hetman presented: the proposed 2018 Lackawanna County Budget – no tax increase, an active shooter training at 911 Center later this month and free and open to public, and a concert at Lackawanna College – Johnny Cash Tribute Band on November 18, 2017.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Diane Walls RE: oil situation – wanted to know if the pipe is filled in. The last time Will Craft came to get a well sample he said he is not sure the pipe is filled.
- Zoning Officer Kozik said there is a problem because the area is on an easement and not owned by Township. Kozik said he will wait until results come in from the recent well testing and then find out what is going to be done to finish up.
- Walls again expressed concerns about vehicle travelling fast on her road. Jordan said he has talked with Township Police. Chief Hickey has gone to a few homes and talked to some the people about speeding. Jordan said if she can get a description of vehicle to call Communication Center and report a dangerous vehicle.
- Schield and Malpasse attended a class about STOP signs. Schield said he talked to instructor after the class and was told the situation does not warrant a STOP sign. The Road Department will look at improving the visibility around the corner.
- Michele Wilk asked why Galka and Snyder have to get Conditional Use to build a house. Kozik explained the houses are in Conservation Zone and according to our ordinance a home being built in Conservation District must get a Conditional Use and go before the Planning Commission and then Supervisors. Schield said when the homes are going to be built they will have to have a Drainage Permit.
- Wilk said the cars are back on the Weisel property. Kozik said he will go and check but they are allowed two vehicles.
- Wilk asked if she is the only person who has filed a complaint. Jordan said this year they have started requiring complaint forms to be filled out. The forms are reviewed at Work Sessions to see how complaints have been resolved.
- Supervisors are working on a Nuisance Ordinance.

MINUTES & TREASURERS REPORT

Schild said he would like the October minutes corrected regarding Simmerson Road and inspection done by the Conservation District and under the sale of 2007 Sterling truck bid closing time as 3:00 pm not 2:00 pm.

- A **MOTION to accept the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 5, 2017** with corrections was made by Farischon and seconded by Schield. Motion carried.
- A **MOTION to accept the Accounts Payable and Payroll of November 1, 2017** as presented, was made by Farischon and seconded by Schield. Motion carried.
- A **MOTION to accept the Treasurer's Report of November 1, 2017** as presented, was made by Schield, and seconded by Farischon. Motion carried.

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CORRESPONDENCE

- U.S. Census Bureau request to complete the 2017 Census of Governments, Survey of Public Pensions by November 9, 2017.
- Comprehensive training course for elected Auditors by PATH – PA Training Hub, to be held on November 21, 2017 at the Woodlands Inn & Resort in Wilkes-Barre. Course fee is \$80.
- Email from Chief Hickey reminding Supervisors about the pay increase for Patrolman Brandon Long once he received his certification. He has received his certification about 2 weeks ago.
- Comcast – Channel changes that will occur on November 6, 2017.
- FEMA – Invitation to Supervisors to attend a Community Coordination and Outreach meeting to review the Lackawanna County Flood Insurance Rate Map panels and Flood Insurance Study on November 2, 2017 from 2PM to 4PM at the Lackawanna County Center.
- North Pocono COG – RE: fuel oil for the 2017/2018 season will be obtained from Plociniak Fuel Services. Their price was quoted rack price plus +.03 cents.
- Copies of letters from Zoning Officer to Tracy Galka Kojcsza and Tom Snyder informing them they must get a Conditional Use before building a home on their lot because it is located in S-1 Conservation Zone.
- Letter of resignation from Tim Smith, part time (summer) Road Department worker to be effective in two weeks.

ACTION ON CORRESPONDENCE

- A **MOTION** by Schield, and seconded by Farischon to **accept resignation of Tim Smith**. Motion carried.
- A **MOTION** by Farischon, and seconded by Schield to **increase Brandon Long's hourly rate to \$14.10**. Motion carried.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

- Nothing to report.

ROAD DEPARTMENT

- Report read.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

- Report read and on file.

RECYCLING

- 6.58 ton for October 2017, 71.61 ton YTD that is a difference of 34.52 ton less than 2016 at this time.
- County Waste supplied figures for 2016 and we should be getting more money from the state.

COG

- Bulk heating oil price with Plociniak Fuel Services being the best price of rack price +.03 cents.

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BUILDING PERMITS

- Don Shiffer Addition Windsor Way
- St. Eulalia's Church Addition Blue Shutters Road

PERSONS TO BE HEARD

- None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- 2007 Sterling Acterra truck was advertised on Municibid. Several Townships came and looked at the truck. Brecknock Township in Berks County won the bid for \$46,800.
- A **MOTION** by Schield, and seconded by Farischon to **accept the bid from Brecknock township of \$46,800 for the 2007 Sterling Acterra truck.** Motion carried.
- Police Contract – Supervisors and Chief Hickey will meet to discuss the new Police Contract on Wednesday, November 8, 2017 at 10:30am.

NEW BUSINESS

- A **MOTION** by Farischon, and seconded by Jordan to **adopt Resolution 2-2017 to enter into an agreement with Edward Jones Investment for employees to participate in a Higher Education Savings Plan .** Motion carried.
- A **MOTION** by Schield, and seconded by Farischon to **apply for County Re-invest Grant to help with cost for pavilion at Roaring Brook Township Park.**

PUBLIC COMMENT

- None.

ADJOURNMENT

- A **MOTION** by Schield, and seconded by Farischon was made **to adjourn at 9:50 PM.** Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Farischon, Secretary