

**THURSDAY, February 7, 2019**  
**REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING**  
**ROARING BROOK TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

The regular meeting of the Roaring Brook Township Board of Supervisors was held on Thursday February 7, 2019 at 8:00 pm at the Municipal Building on Blue Shutters Road. Present were Supervisors Anthony Jordan and Robert Farischon, Attorney Michael O'Brien, Chief Donald Hickey, Brian Bauer, Gerard Hetman, Diane Walls, Monica Scaduto, Michele Wilk, Maria Salak and Noah Salak.

A **MOTION** by Farischon, and seconded by Schield to **amend the agenda to apply for the Arts Grant from Lackawanna County in the amount of \$500 to help pay for the entertainment at the Elmhurst/Roaring Brook Fire Co. picnic.** Motion carried.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

- Gerard Hetman from County - Prescription Drug Take Back Program, Winter Golf Clinic, Women's Golf Clinic, County Easter Egg Hunt, U.S. Small Business Administration – deadline for assistance in PA for flooding from August storm, Cold Weather Preparedness.

### **MINUTES & TREASURERS REPORT**

- A **MOTION** to accept the **Minutes of the Reorganization Meeting of January 7, 2019 with correction on page 2 for the hourly wage of Richard Schield from \$15.00 per hour to \$15.50 per hour and the Regular Minutes of the January 7, 2019** as presented was made by Farischon and seconded by Schield. Motion carried.
- A **MOTION** to accept the **Accounts Payable and Payroll of February 7, 2019 with correction on page 4 in the explanation for vendor Five Star from returning rental equipment to transporting rental equipment** as presented was made by Farischon and seconded by Schield. Motion carried.
- A **MOTION** to accept the **Treasurer's Report of February 7, 2019** as presented, was made by Schield, and seconded by Farischon. Motion carried.

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

- Lackawanna County Arts and Culture Department – apply for a 2019 Municipal Arts and Culture Municipal grant in the amount of \$500.
- PA American Water RE: Annual Downstream Notification – storage tank capacity of 40,000 gallons of Aluminum Sulfate.
- Email from Joseph Nayda interested in the position of Judge of Elections.
- PA Department of Conservation & Natural Resources accepting applications for grants.
- Roaring Brook Township Board of Auditors met on Tuesday, January 8, 2019 and set the wages for Eric Schield, Roadmaster at \$25.50 per hour, Anthony Jordan, Assistant Roadmaster at \$14.50 per hour and Robert Farischon, Secretary/Treasurer at \$14.00 per hour.
- Thank you to Township from North Pocono Public Library for the donation.
- Verizon for Township telephone – one year term agreement renewal.

### **ACTION ON CORRESPONDENCE**

- Lackawanna Arts grant – for the past several years Elmhurst Township and Roaring Brook have combined grants for the cost of entertainment at the Elmhurst/RB Fire Co. picnic.
- A **MOTION** by Farischon, and seconded by Schield to **Elmhurst Township will apply on behalf of Roaring Brook Township for the \$500 grant to help offset the cost of entertainment for the Elmhurst/RB Fire Co. picnic.** Motion carried.

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## SOLICITOR'S REPORT

- Nothing to report.

## ROAD DEPARTMENT

- Report read.

## POLICE DEPARTMENT

- Report read and on file.

## RECYCLING

- 8.17 ton for January 2019, tonnage for last January was 8.10 ton, 2.41 ton of Christmas trees that were taken to Recycling Center.
- Email from Lackawanna County Recycling Center notifying Townships that the Center is enforcing a Quality Control program that will be strictly enforcing to eliminate the increased contamination in loads. The markets that remanufacture recycling materials are at an all-time low and many are closing and this is due to contamination. The Center will be giving a warning notice to the driver and municipality if contamination is noticed before dumping.
- Jordan commented recycling is changing and China is the largest purchaser of recyclable products and they require the items to be clean.

## COG

- No meeting.

## BUILDING PERMITS

- None.

## PERSONS TO BE HEARD

- None.

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- None

## NEW BUSINESS

- Supervisors have been trying to cover the Township with part time police officers but feel the need to have another full time employee.
- A **MOTION** by Farischon and seconded by Jordan to **hire Brian Bauer as a full time Police Officer at contract rate of \$22.21 per hour with a 6 month probation as per contract prior to starting on February 14, 2019 and a \$50,000 life insurance policy to take effect either March 1 or February 14 depending on the Insurance Company's date of initiation.** Motion carried.

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- Spring Cleanup – Price quote from Waste Management; \$15,800 for May 20-24, 2019.
- A **MOTION** by Schield and seconded by Farischon to **accept the quote from Waste Management in the amount of \$15,800 for May 20-24 for Spring Cleanup.** Motion carried.
- Shred Day – June 1, 2019 during recycling hours.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

- Michele Wilk – asked about Firearm Ordinance 4-73 and Costello’s junk cars and if there is a fine for having them. Solicitor O’Brien said there’s nothing new and he will follow up. She also inquired if there is anything new regarding the Galka property. Kozik did inspect property and a letter was sent in the middle of January.

**ADJOURNMENT**

- A **MOTION** by Farischon and seconded by Schield was made **to adjourn at 9:05 PM.** Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Farischon, Secretary