

THURSDAY, August 4, 2016
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
ROARING BROOK TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

The regular meeting of the Roaring Brook Township Board of Supervisors was held on Thursday, August 4, 2016 at 8:15P.M. at the Municipal Building on Blue Shutters Road. Present were Supervisors Tony Jordan, Bob Farischon and Eric Schield, Atty Michael O'Brien, Chief Don Hickey, Gerard Hetman, Paul Kozik, Jim Roos, John & Patricia Pallien, Linda & Art Christianson, Monica & Joe Scaduto, Diane & Bud Walls, and Gary Snyder.

An executive session was held prior to meeting regarding potential litigation.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Gerard Hetman announced the following events and information from the Lackawanna County Commissioners:

- The County in cooperation with the PA Department of Conservation and Natural Resources – Bureau of Forestry are accepting requests for spraying for gypsy moth caterpillars in Spring of 2017.
- Family Fun Day will be held on August 7 from 11 am to 2 pm at Covington Park. Now park is open for swimming.
- Upcoming events – Senior Health Fair and Hero's Day.
- Start of County Budget Season – October 15.

MINUTES & TREASURERS REPORT

- A **MOTION to accept the minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 7, 2016** as presented, was made by Schield and seconded by Jordan. Motion carried. Farischon abstained because he was absent from the meeting.
- A **MOTION to accept the Accounts Payable and Payroll of August 4, 2016** as presented, was made by Schield and seconded by Farischon. Motion carried.
- A **MOTION to accept the Treasurer's Report of August 4, 2016** as presented, was made by Schield, and seconded by Farischon. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

1. Letter from Chiefs of Police Association – annual contribution to the Lackawanna County Drug Task Force for \$150 contribution for year 2016.
2. Letter from Commonwealth of PA Public Employee Retirement Commission re: Police Pension Plan – results of the 2016 distress determination for Township is Total Distress Score: 2. The distress Level has improved from Level 3 to Level 2.
3. Letter from Datum Products – re: tank removal at Ross Property.

ACTION ON CORRESPONDENCE

- Paul Kozik explained the letter from Datum Products – he spoke about cameras checking ground soil was done in dry weather. Kozik also said he went to check the site after Saturday's rain and he said oil is still there – he could see the shine. Letter said there is no more evidence of oil. Letter was written before heavy rainfall. Kozik talked to DEP representative Will Craft and was referred to Datum Products. Kozik is planning on talking to Representative Mike Carroll.
- There was a lot of discussion regarding the site on Ross Property. Diane Walls said it was washing down her driveway with the heavy rain. Mr. Christianson asked the supervisors to keep the pressure on DEP to get owner to comply in order to alleviate problem completely.
- Letter on Pension Fund – Township is contributing an extra \$15,000 every year to help get out of distress level.

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- Letter from Chiefs of Police – Jordan said we donated last year.
- A **MOTION** by Farischon, and seconded by Jordan to **donate \$150 to the Chiefs of Police Drug Task Force for 2016.** Motion carried.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

- Atty Michael O'Brien re: DEP and Ross property. Lawyers for DEP and lawyers for Ross are working out a consent agreement to alleviate the problem. Nothing is settled yet but O'Brien said they would take corrective action. The agreement will have both Ross and DEP sign – contract isn't executed yet, not a complete contract. O'Brien said discussion is still ongoing. Ross and DEP will both have to sign agreement.
- Jordan said DEP and Ross are not ignoring problem and are taking care of it now.
- Supervisors will sign and send correspondence to Edward Jones Investors to authorize Edward Jones and to utilize them for Township investments.
- A **MOTION** by Farischon, and seconded by Schield to **approve Township to allow Edward Jones Investors to send bid for investments.** Motion carried.

ROAD DEPARTMENT

- Report read.
- Schield reported a homeowner in Township had driveway paved without permit and contractor ruined the road in Township right of way. Schield would like to go after contractor for this. Michael said he would look into it.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

- Will be read next month. Chief was not at meeting, was on a call.

RECYCLING

- 9.48 ton for July, 75.39 ton YTD that is 9.41 ton behind last year.

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- No meeting. County Convention in a week.

BUILDING PERMITS

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| • Larry Smith | New Home | Windsor Hill |
| • Patrick Kurilla | New Home | Summit Woods |
| • Steven Budnovitch | Aboveground Pool | Fern Road |
| • Frank Kinsella | Deck | Belle Drive |
| • Montwayne Smith | Inground Pool | Blue Shutters |

PERSON TO BE HEARD

- None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- Temporary Operating Permit for WBD will need a 6 month extension for further review.
- A **MOTION** by Farischon, and seconded by Jordan to **issue a 6 month extension for a Temporary Operating Permit for WBD.** Motion carried; Farischon and Jordan yes, Schield no.

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NEW BUSINESS

- A **MOTION** by Farischon, and seconded by Jordan to **appoint Jim Roos as alternate to the Planning Commission.** Motion carried.
- Schield reported Recreation Commission will be having Touch-a-Truck on September 10 from 9am – 12 noon and this Saturday August 13 there will be an event – “Back to School”. These are all stated on Township website.
- There is also Wine in the Woods scheduled for Saturday August 6.

ADJOURNMENT

- A **MOTION** by Schield, and seconded by Farischon was made **to adjourn at 9:16 P.M.** Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Farischon, Secretary