

THURSDAY, October 1, 2015
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
ROARING BROOK TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

The regular meeting of the Roaring Brook Township Board of Supervisors was held on Thursday, October 1, 2015 at 8:00P.M.at the Municipal Building on Blue Shutters Road. Present were Supervisors Tony Jordan, Robert Farischon and Eric Schield, Chief Don Hickey, Gerard Hetman from Lackawanna County, Joe and Joey Antosh for Elmhurst/Roaring Brook Fire Co., Paul Kozik and Atty. Michael O'Brien.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Gerard Hetman from the County:
 - Thanks for the tire drop off participation.
 - Commissioner will come to the Township to present check for Invest Grant for recycling area.
 - Senior Health Fair Sept 18, 10:00am – 1:00pm at PNC Field.
 - County Fishing Derby, Saturday October 3, 2015, 11am – 1pm for children ages 4 to 12.
 - Lackawanna County Library System presents James McPherson, Pulitzer Prize-winning Historian for the American Masters Lecture on Thursday, November 5, 2015 at 7:00 PM at the Scranton Cultural Center.
- Joe Antosh – Elmhurst/RB Fire Co. submitted set of plans for new fire house on Blue Shutters Road for final approval by Township Supervisors and approval by the Building Inspector. Mr. Antosh said the building will blend in with the residential neighborhood. Lighting will be at a minimum not to disturb neighbors but enough for safe lighting to get in and out and for security reasons. Structure is being funded by the Fire Company through grants, low financing by bank for 5 years and fiscal management from Fire Company.
- A **MOTION** by Farischon, and seconded by Schield to **approve the appearance of the plan for Fire House and to be forwarded to BIU for their pending approval.** Motion carried.

MINUTES & TREASURERS REPORT

- A **MOTION** to **accept the minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 3, 2015** as presented, was made by Farischon and seconded by Schield. Motion carried.
- A **MOTION** to **accept the Accounts Payable and Payroll of October 1, 2015** as presented, was made by Farischon and seconded by Schield. Motion carried.
- A **MOTION** to **accept the Treasurer's Report of October 1, 2015** as presented, was made by Schield, and seconded by Farischon. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

- DEP – Snyder Subdivision plan for exception to the requirement to revise the official sewage facilities plan has been found to be consistent with our official sewage facilities plan and requirements. SEO Paul Kozik said property is not on high quality water shed and he will talk to a DEP representative.
- PA Department of Transportation – Notice of Estimated Liquid Fuels allocation for 2016 is \$103,721.70.
- American Red Cross – Signed agreement to use Township building as a limited use Red Cross Shelter in the time of disaster within Lackawanna County.
- Commonwealth of PA Department of the Auditor General – 2015 Commonwealth allocation of General Municipal Pension System State Aid: Foreign Fire Relief in the amount of \$13,344.93 and Pension Aid in the amount of \$15,683.33 totaling deposit amount of \$29,028.26.
- Commonwealth of PA Department of the Auditor General – Audit Report of the Elmhurst/Roaring Brook Volunteer Firefighters' Relief Association for January 1, 2011 to December 31, 2014.
- Corrected amount to the 2016 Police Pension MMO is \$57,421.
- DEP – Ross property's Notice of Violation in response to a heating oil release on December 6, 2013.
- North Pocono Public Library letter of appreciation for the gift of \$3,000 by the Township.

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- Lackawanna County Department of Elections request for use of Township building for Election Day on Tuesday, November 3, 2015.
- Ceco Associates RE: WBD, Inc. Property on Smith Road – WBD, Inc. is requesting a Zoning Amendment to the Roaring Brook Township Zoning Ordinance to allow Vehicle and Equipment Service Operations as a conditional Use in the S-1 Conservation District.
- Ceco Associates RE: WBD Inc. application for permit coverage from the DEP for Individual NPDES Permit for Stormwater Discharges Associated with Construction Activities.
- Ceco Associates RE: Smith Road Bridge – filing for an application for a Water Obstruction Permit with the Pennsylvania DEP concerning the structure carrying Smith Road over the Stafford Meadow Brook.

ACTION ON CORRESPONDENCE

- WBD – Two Step Process – 1.) Township will consider amendment to zoning to allow automobile service in a S-1 Zone; this will go to review with Roaring Brook Township Planning Commission and Lackawanna County Planning Commission. 2.) If an amendment then a review and decision for a conditional use application.
- A **MOTION** by Farischon, and seconded by Jordan to **start the process for Step 1 for a conditional use application by WBD In. to allow truck repair and service in a S-1 Zone.** Farischon and Jordan voted yes, and Schield voted no.
- Zoning Officer Paul Kozik reported regarding Ross property the DEP did not follow up in 2013 because person at DEP retired. Ross has underground oil tanks that leaked and pads were put down several times. Soil is contaminated. DEP wants a plan for cleaning up.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

- Nothing to report.

ROAD DEPARTMENT

- Report read and is on file.
- Winter Maintenance – October 21, 2015, Signs & Safety – November 12, 2015, Stormwater Management – November 19, 2015 – no fee for workshops.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

- Report read and is on file.

RECYCLING

- 9.84 ton for September, 105 ton YTD, that is 3.91 ton behind last year.

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- Requested information for fuel oil.

BUILDING PERMITS

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| • Louis Astolfi | Deck | Hilldell Road |
| • Justin & Erica Burns | New Home | Windsor Hill |
| • Andrew & Tracy Beck | New Home | Daria Development |
| • Bruce & Michele Balish | New Home | Gardner Road |

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OLD BUSINESS

- Insurance – request for quotes were sent to six Insurance Companies, we received three – Joyce Insurance was rejected because it did not include Workers Comp Insurance, Lupus Insurance quote was \$29,235 with a deductible that was higher than DGK, and DGK Insurance quote was \$26,074.
- A **MOTION** by Farischon, and seconded by Schield to **award the insurance coverage to DGK Insurance.** Motion carried.
- Police Department – A **MOTION** by Jordan, and seconded by Farischon to **hire Gene Ruddy as a part time Grade I patrolman with a 6 month probation period for \$14 per hour.** Motion carried.
- Police Vehicle Purchase – Costar price for 2016 Ford Utility Interceptor AWD Vehicle - \$43,380.52 New Holland Ford, 42,308.52 Milham Ford and 42,834.52 Hondru Ford.
- A **MOTION** by Farischon, and seconded by Schield to **proceed to purchase a new police car not to exceed \$45,000 in price for a 2016 Ford Utility Interceptor.** Motion carried.
- Road Department truck pricing is being sought.

NEW BUSINESS

- 2016 Budget Time Table presented.
- A **MOTION** by Schield, and seconded by Jordan to **accept the 2016 Budget Time Table as presented.** Motion carried.

PUBLIC

- None.

ADJOURNMENT

- A **MOTION** by Schield, and seconded by Farischon was made **to adjourn at 9:55 P.M.** Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert L. Farischon, Secretary