

APRIL 27, 2020 SUPERVISORS REGULAR MEETING

Polk Township Supervisors Brian K. Ahner, Carl S. Heckman, & Michael D. Hurley met for a Regular Meeting on Monday, April 27, 2020 at 7:00 pm at the Municipal Building, 165 Polk Twp. Rd., Kresgeville, PA. Due to the Coronavirus Pandemic, Solicitor James V. Fareri and Engineer Russell R. Kresge were present via teleconference. Also, present: Treasurer Beverly A. Christman, Harold Touni, Jr. and Bill Tippett. **Pledge of Allegiance.**

Public Comment: No public comment.

Minutes: Ahner moves to approve the 3/23/2020 Regular Supervisors Meeting minutes and 4/9/2020 General Meeting minutes; Second by Hurley. Vote, 3-0. Motion carried.

Correspondence: 1) COVID-19 Updates from County 2) Secretary of Health Safety Measure Updates 3) MC Loan Program 4)MRM Trust Covid-10 Information 5)Legislation Updates- Covid 19 6)PennDot Highway Occupancy Permit information- Covid-19 7)Census Telephone number update 8) COG Salt bid tallies 9) Disaster Declaration approves- Wolfe 10) PSATS updates regarding Covid-19

REPORTS:

Polk Twp. Vol. Fire Chief Tippett: (1) March: 18 calls (1 in Towamensing), 223 training hours, 88 fundraising hours. April: 11 calls (1 in Towamensing); YTD: 72 calls (2) Due to the Pandemic, 4 company sponsored events and 13 rentals have been canceled or postponed. At the March Directors meeting, a spending freeze has been enacted for all nonessential items. (3) Residents should start seeing membership mailings this week. (4) Timeline is unknown for airpack delivery due to pandemic.

Treasurer Christman: (1). Deposits-\$102,349.60 (2). Bills-\$115,242.22 Heckman moves to pay the Bills; Second by Ahner. Vote, 3-0. Motion carried. (3). **4/27/2020 Report:** Total General Fund is \$1,532,178.36. Highway Aid Fund is \$621,805.32. **All Funds Total \$2,153,983.68.** Total Escrow Funds of \$55,705.39 Heckman moves to approve the 3/23/2020 Treasurer's Report; Second by Ahner. Vote 3-0. Motion carried. (4) Polk Township 2019 Annual Audit and Financial Report was finalized and recorded at the Prothonotary's office.

Roadmaster Ahner: (1). Roadcrew have been down to 2 guys per week. (2) The Roadcrews' projects include: Down trees removed after heavy rains, patching potholes, rotating trucks for inspection, mower was sent for repair.

Solid Waste & Recycling Center: (1) Receiving recyclables are still closed. Supervisors will consider collecting recyclables when the State opens up. Haulers are also not open. (2) Solid Waste Permit payments are being accepted via drop box and mail.

Secretary: No report

Solicitor Fareri: No report

Zoning/Codes Official: (1.) April- 4 Building permits, 4 Zoning permits, 4 Sewage permits (2) T.Herman will be in the office Monday, Tuesday and Thursdays from 8am to 2pm. (3) Fareri updates the Supervisors regarding the Everette properties. 2 guardians were appointed and T. Herman can contact them.

Parks: (1) Delivery of porta-potties will be postponed. (2) Memorial Day Program is canceled but can plan for a Veterans' Day program.

PLANS:

A. **Transport Speed Parking Lot:** Heckman motions to approve a time extension to July 26; Second by Ahner. Vote 3-0. Motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS:

A. **Walking Park Pavilions:** The quote received by Pioneer Pole Buildings expired. R.Tippett will confirm the quotes are acceptable.

- B. Dorshimer Bid Award:** The bid for the Dorshimer Bridge repairs and improvements were opened on Thursday, April 23 at 1pm. Kresge reviewed the bids and suggests Northeast Site Contractors in the amount of \$84,367.00. Ahner motions to award the Dorshimer Bridge bid contract to Northeast Site Contractors in the amount of \$84,367.00; Second by Hurley. Vote 3-0. Motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. State of Emergency:** The Supervisors decided to extend another 2 weeks to alternate the Roadcrew.
- B. Full Time Employee:** Troy Meckes' 90 day probation was on May 3. Hurley motions to hire Troy Meckes as a full time employee; Second by Heckman. Vote 3-0. Motion passed.
- C. Road Study for Burger Hollow (Haney to Bear Rd):** An email was received by resident, Staci George regarding the corner of Burger Hollow Rd and Short Ridge Rd. There are multiple accidents there due to speeding around the curve. Kresge recommends a curve sign study along Burger Hollow Road from approximately Bear Rd and Haney Rd. Ahner motions to approve a curve sign study along Burger Hollow Road from Bear Rd to Haney Rd; Second by Heckman. Vote 3-0. Motion passed.
- D. Ordinance to allow PTVFC to bill:** Billy Tippett explains the third party will retain 15% of all payments received for fire calls. Discussion on any calls in Towamensing will be covered as long as the Fire Company is dispatched. Heckman motions to advertise the proposed Ordinance to allow the Fire Company to bill companies for fire calls; Second by Ahner. Vote 3-0. Motion passed.
- E. Resolution 2020-04 Discount Property Tax extended:** Due to the pandemic, Governor Wolf enacted Act 15 of 2020 to extend the Discount Property Tax deadline to August 31, 2020. Monroe County suggests all municipalities adopt a Resolution. Heckman motions to adopt Resolution 2020-04 extending the property tax deadline to August 31, 2020; Second by Hurley. Vote 3-0. Motion passed.
- F. CJERP:** The 4/26/2020 meeting was canceled. The next meeting is 5/28/2020.

PUBLIC COMMENT: No public comment.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: No executive session was held.

ADJOURNMENT: Chairman Ahner adjourned the meeting at 7:33 pm.

Respectfully submitted,


Rebecca Tippett
Township Secretary

