

SEPTEMBER 23, 2019 SUPERVISORS REGULAR MEETING

Polk Township Supervisors Brian K. Ahner, Carl S. Heckman, & Michael D. Hurley met for a Regular Meeting on Monday, September 23, 2019 at 7:00 pm at the Municipal Building, 165 Polk Twp. Rd., Kresgeville, PA. Solicitor James V. Fareri, Engineer Russell R. Kresge, Jr., Zoning/Codes Official Justin Burkner and Treasurer Beverly A. Christman.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comment: No Public Comment

Minutes: Hurley moved to approve the 9/22/19 Supervisors Regular Meeting minutes and 9/11/19 Special Supervisors Meeting Minutes; Second by Heckman. Vote, 3-0. Motion carried.

Correspondence: (1) MC Control Center Proposed 2020 Budget (2) Wolf Administration's "Innovation Challenge" (3) Park Correspondence (4) NPDES Permit for Fimiarz (5) MCPC 9/10/19 Agenda and 7/9/19 Minutes (6) Draft Update for Codification (7) Disabled Veterans Real Estate Tax Exemption Certs (8) Invite to Long Range Transportation Plan Update

REPORTS:

Polk Twp. Vol. Fire Chief Tippett: (1) August: 18 calls (1 calls in Townmensing Twp.), 140 hours of training, 287 fundraising hours. September: 12 calls. YTD calls-140 (2) Towamensing Twp. Supervisors dedicated a portion of Relief Assoc. Funds to Polk Twp. Fire Company for covering a portion of their Twp. (3) 4 new members have been accepted as probationary firefighter status: Nicholas Chiaverelli, Mike Sabo, Zach Schoenberger, Adrian Holthousen. All have experience from other fire companies. (4) Monthly breakfast will start again on September 15 (5) 2 members have rescinded due to moving away: Cody Pyatt and John Plisko. (6) Chief Tippett wants to thank the Township for the letter of support for their LSA Grant application. They currently have 3 applications in and are working on a 4th. (7) Tippett mentions that a 10 year plan/budget is in the process and will be presented at the October Supervisors Meeting.

Treasurer Christman: (1). **Deposits**-\$72,340.68 (2). **Bills**-\$105,112.90 Ahner moves to pay the Bills; Second by Hurley. Vote, 3-0. Motion carried. (3). **9/23/19 Report:** Total General Fund is \$1,815,980.46 comprised of: [PLGIT \$557,318.03; Checking \$620,940.20; Payroll \$29,246.37; ESSA account \$608,475.86]. Highway Aid Fund is \$378,185.41. **All Funds Total \$2,194,165.87.** Total Escrow Funds of \$31,165.32 are comprised of: Driveways \$20,126.59; Camp Harlam Girls Septic \$2,005.56; & Detention Basins \$31,165.32. Heckman moves to approve the 9/23/19 Treasurer's Report; Second by Ahner. Vote, 3-0. Motion carried. (4) FHWA-536 Form (Local Highway Finance Report) was filed to report roadwork that has been completed. (5) 2019 Funds have been received for Volunteer Fire Relief Assoc. Report in the amount of \$41,304.90 and will be released to the Fire Company. (6) 2019 Funds have been received for General Municipal Pension System State Aid in the amount of \$46,084.49 (7) Heckman motions to approve the Financial Requirements for Minimal Municipal Obligation (MMO) Report; Second by Ahner. Vote 3-0. Motion carried. (8) Ahner motions to approve Beverly Christman to vote for a trustee for PA Municipalities Pension Trust; Second by Hurley. Vote 3-0.

Roadmaster Ahner: (1) Hell Hollow culvert settled again and has been filled in. (2) A preliminary speed study has been conducted on Long Mountain Rd. A report will be sent to the office. (3) Due to a motor vehicle accident, the Lower Middle Creek Bridge endured some cosmetic damage along with a sign and guardrails. A copy of the police report and insurance information as received. Quotes have been requested. (4) Notice of Estimated Allocated Municipal Liquid Fuels and Turnback was received. For 2020, the estimated amount for Liquid Fuels allocations is \$328,532.18 and Turnback is \$24,040.00. (5) Roadmaster Ahner suggests a budget for the culverts on Bear Rd and Dotters Corner Rd. (6) Engineer Kresge is working on a grading plan for Trach Drive to help fix the drainage issue. (7) Ahner comments that paving was completed: 3 areas on Dorshimer Rd, 2 areas on Floyd, dips on Old Sawmill were fixed and 300ft on Golf View Rd. (8) The Sign Truck is currently being outfitted with shelving and lighting. (9) Heckman wants to acknowledge the hard work of Roadmaster Ahner and the Roadcrew to complete the additional paving in the Township.

Solid Waste & Recycling Center: (1) The Recycle Building Addition project has started. (2) A modification was requested to the doors of the old building. Quote for garage doors were requested. (3) The new bailer was delivered and installed. (4) Newspaper and cardboard is no longer being accepted by some companies. Other companies charge to dispose.

Secretary: No report

Solicitor Fareri: No report

Zoning/Codes Official: (1.) September- 12 Building permits (90 YTD), 9 Zoning permits (74 YTD) and 7 outstanding violations (2). Hidden Hollow Lane Violation- A certified letter was unclaimed and returned. Hurley motions to file with the District Magistrate; Second by Heckman. 3-0 Vote. Motion passed. (3) Burker requests guidance regarding 109 Scenic Drive regarding the junk and garage that was destroyed by fire in February. Solicitor Fareri will speak with her attorney regarding the property. (4) Burker comments that there has been no progress with cleanup by Mr. Luber on 537/541 Watercrest Ave. Ahner motions to file with the District Magistrate; Second by Hurley. 3-0 Vote. Motion passed. (5) There is an illegal garbage business being run on 1028 Interchange Rd. Burker spoke with the owner and has agreed to comply. (6)Burker will attend a meeting with other CJERP Zoning Officers regarding medical marijuana.

Parks: Board Chairman Robert Butler: (1). Planting of the trees will occur on October 5, 2019 2-4pm. Volunteers and Boy Scouts have been asked to help. (2) Next meeting is on October 24, 2019 at 6pm.

PLANS: No plans

OLD BUSINESS:

LSA Grant Contract: The LSA Grant Contract for Dorshimer Bridge replacement is ready to be accepted and signed. The work will be completed in Spring 2020. Ahner motions to approve the LSA Grant Contract for replacement of the Dorshimer Road Bridge; Second by Hurley. 3-0 Vote. Motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS:

PTVFC LSA Grant Support Letter: Polk Township Volunteer Fire Company requests a letter of support for their LSA Grant to replace their in-house cascade system. Ahner motions to approve the support letter for Polk Township Fire Company's LSA Grant to replace their in-house.

Valor Clinic LSA Grant Support Letter: Valor Clinic requests a letter of support for their LSA Grant to buy a box truck. Ahner motions to approve the support letter for Valor Clinic's LSA Grant to buy a box truck.

Halloween 2019-: Hurley motions to approve Halloween Trick or Treat night on Thursday, October 31, 2019 from 5pm-7pm.

CJERP: August 22, 2019 CJERP meeting was canceled. Next meeting is September 26, 2019.

PUBLIC COMMENT: There are currently 3 proposed Ordinances in the works: Nuisance, Short Term Rentals and Firearms.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: The Supervisors and Solicitor Fareri went into executive session at 7:45pm and returned at 7:54pm to discuss a personnel matter.

ADJOURNMENT: Chairman Ahner adjourned the meeting at 7:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Rebecca Tippet
Township Secretary