

MINUTES - RALPHO TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING - June 14, 2016
Held in Municipal Building Meeting Room, 206 S. Market St., Elysburg, PA

Chairman Wetzel called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m. and led the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

Attending were: Supervisors Blaine Madara, William Wetzel, Stephen Major, Vincent Daubert and Daniel Williams. Also attending were: Solicitor Todd Kerstetter, Township Manager Joseph Springer, Township Secretary/Treasurer Debra Olson; Code Officer Mark Lyash; Township Engineer Justin Keister (*arrived at 6:42 p.m.*), Police Chief Stu Appel, Roadmaster Howard Shaddock; and Larry Delinski, *Shamokin News-Item*.

CITIZEN INPUT ON AGENDA ITEMS – none

Minutes of May 10, 2016 regular monthly meeting were accepted as presented on Major/Daubert motion and carried.

TREASURER’S REPORT was accepted as presented on Daubert/Williams motion and carried.

Bills were approved as presented for payment, including those bills paid between meetings on a Williams/Major motion, motion carried unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE

- Ralpho Township Annual All Home Days Advertising letter was received. Supervisors will purchase ½ page advertisement by each donating \$10.
- PennDot Extreme Weather Vulnerability Study was received.
- DEP Remedial Action Plan/Site Characterization Report Approval Storage Tank System Release for Ed Helfrick property was received.
- Northumberland County Conservation District Outstanding Conservation Organization Award Application was received.

COMMITTEE/DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

PLANNING – Harvey Boyer, Chairman

- none

STREET DEPARTMENT – Madara

- Report was received.
- Progress Road update. Don Bower has not signed agreement so final payment will be withheld. Supervisor Major will write letter to both HRI and Bower if no progress is made by the end of the week. The Board will consider rescinding the approval of the current agreement and pursue having the road torn up and redone.

BUILDINGS – Major

- Boss Roofing will be coming in late August or early September to do roofing contract.
- Major/Madara motioned to have Dominic Mannello paint the police station for \$1,750; Major/Williams motioned to have J. Anderson Contracting to perform police station bathroom/kitchen work for \$3,000; Major/Daubert motioned to have Bierowski Painting paint the gym for \$8,997. All motions carried.
- Pat Shultz library president called about air conditioning in library, they will be directed to purchase new window air conditioners.
- Madara/Williams motioned to advertise the fuel bid, with bids to be opened at the July 12, 2016 meeting. Motion carried.

RECREATION - Major

- Pepsi machines will remain in playground because of vendor in bankruptcy.
- Major/Williams motioned to purchase new net and poles for volleyball for \$1,310 from Porter Athletic. Motion carried.

ZONING OFFICER'S REPORT – Daubert

- 11 permits were issued and \$700 in fees were collected during May. 3 letters of correspondence were sent and 10 complaints were received for vehicles, trash, dumping and dangerous structures.
- Property on Aspen Street was discussed. Homeowners have taken steps to clean up the property. Code officer will update prior to July meeting, if not completely cleaned up further citations will be filed.

POLICE DEPARTMENT/PUBLIC SAFETY – Williams

- Report was read.
- Williams/Madara to promote Officer Joseph Samuels to Patrolmen III retroactive to June 1, 2016, as per contract after successful probation period of 1 year. Motion carried.

RECYCLING – Wetzel

- Mr. Kowalchick will be on vacation July 9th through July 16th; part-time help will cover the recycling in his absence.

MANAGER'S REPORT

- ARLE Grant was discussed.
- Madara/Major motioned to have Larson Design to do Traffic Study at Stop Light at a cost of \$5,000. Motion carried.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

- Solicitor gave update on records disposal.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

- SCTJSA project is close to wrapped up.
- Madara/Major motioned to waive conflict between Geisinger and Township with Larson Design for storm water project at old Paper Magic building. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Wetzel/Major motioned to partition off part of the server for communication with Supervisors and put a cabinet in for server for no more than \$1,000. Motion carried with Madara voting against.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Madara/Daubert motioned to authorize releasing \$800 from both the Police and Non-uniformed Pension Plans to pay actuarial/consulting fees to Univest Municipal Pension Service. Motion carried.
- Madara/Williams motioned to add First Columbia as an authorized depositor. Motion carried.
- CDBG Application Preparation Schedule for 2016 was reviewed.

CITIZEN INPUT – none

ADJOURNMENT – there being nothing further for discussion, meeting adjourned at approximately 7:35 p.m. on Daubert/Williams motion and carried.

Executive Session was held for possible litigation.

Respectfully submitted,

Debra L. Olson
Ralpho Township Secretary