

October 18, 2018

The Heidelberg Township Board of Supervisors held their regular meeting at 7:30pm at the Municipal Building, 6272 Route 309, New Tripoli, PA 18066. Present were Supervisors Steven Bachman, David Fink, and Jonathan Jakum, Administrator/Secretary-Treasurer Janice Meyers, Road Superintendent Kevin Huber, Zoning Officer Dawn Didra, and Township Solicitor Atty. Chuck Waters from Steckel and Stopp Law Offices, and Township Engineer Christopher Noll from Keystone Consulting Engineers.

Pledge of Allegiance

Recording of Meeting: None

Recognition of members of the press: Elsa Kershner from the Northwestern Press

Approve minutes of the September 20, 2018 budget meeting and regular monthly meeting: Jonathan Jakum made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 20, 2018 budget meeting with one change (add missing item 408.310 increased to \$20,000) and the September 20, 2018 regular monthly meeting minutes with no changes. David Fink seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Public comment on agenda items: None.

Executive session: None

Payment of bills: Motion by Jonathan Jakum, seconded by David Fink to approve the payment of the bills General Fund checks # eft3272 – eft3297 and 21976 - 22015 and State Fund checks #1710 - 1712. Motion carried.

Monthly Reports

Regional EMS Steering Committee Report: None.

Fire Company: David Fink reported that the Heidelberg Church 5K went really well and disbursements of funds raised will be made on Sunday.

Emergency Management Coordinator: Josh Bingham said he was present to answer any questions regarding the hazard mitigation plan.

Ambulance Service: Steven Bachman read from the May report. Diane Huber was approved as liaison at the NOVA board meeting. A motion by Steven Bachman and seconded by David Fink to appoint Diane Huber as Heidelberg Township liaison to NOVA. Motion carried. Diane Huber reported that NOVA is offering new services to subscribers.

Director of Office Operations: Jonathan Jakum gave his report.

Director of Parks and Recreation: Steven Bachman reported that they are still looking at different avenues to make the walking trail more affordable. David Fink, Kevin Huber, Chris Noll from KCE and Ryan Christman from KCE will attend a meeting on Monday, 10/22, at 1pm at the recreation pavilion to discuss with other township and rec commission members about the townships doing the labor and covering any labor costs.

Director of Public Works: David Fink gave his report. Road crew refurbished the roller. Put heating system out to bid asap.

Road Superintendent: Kevin Huber reported on current and ongoing road and equipment projects. Paving that was to be done this year may have to wait until next year due to weather delays.

Township Administrator: Janice Meyers gave her report. LVPC needs future road and infrastructure projects submitted in December to be included in the LVPC revised comprehensive plan. Only projects listed in the plan

will be eligible to receive federal and some state funding. Donald Christ asked that the Board submit names for the Veteran Memorial Committee members. Steve Bachman said that veteran Bill Mantz is interested. Steve will contact Mr. Christ.

Township Zoning Officer: Dawn Didra reported on current and on-going investigations of violations and permit application reviews. The Board tasked Dawn Didra, Kevin Huber and Chris Noll to make a recommendation to permanently solve the Buckery Road property driveway drainage issue.

Township Engineer: Christopher Noll gave his report.

Environmental Advisory Council Report: None

Township Solicitor: None

Subdivisions/Land Development

None

Unfinished Business:

Hunters Hill Road drainage issue: Chris Noll reported he sent information to Emily Reigel and has had no response. He will follow up with her.

Joint salt bid approval: Motion by David Fink, seconded by Jonathan Jakum to accept the low bid for Heidelberg's portion of the joint salt bid from Eastern Salt Co., 300 tons +/- at \$59.59/ton, delivered/FOB, totaling \$17,877.00. Motion carried. The other bid received from Morton Salt Inc. was for 300 tons +/- at \$60.15 delivered/FOB, totaling \$18,045.00.

New Business:

Resolution #2018-22 – adopt the 2018 Lehigh Valley Mitigation Plan update: Motion by Steven Bachman to adopt resolution 2018-22. Motion carried.

Review budget meeting discussion: A motion by David Fink and seconded by Jonathan Jakum to approve and advertise the 2019 budget. Motion carried. The advertised budget meeting for 11/15 is cancelled.

Northern Lehigh Planning Action Team meeting: Janice Meyers reported on the meeting.

Review of proposed zoning ordinance changes: The Board tabled the review for the next meeting.

Recognition of newly preserved farms: The Board of Supervisors requests a letter be sent to newly preserved farms in thanks and recognition.

Health Insurance employee contribution: Motion by Steve Bachman to change the employee contribution to the health insurance premium from the 10% voted on last meeting to increase by 1% making it 6% for 2019. Motion died due to lack of a second. The 2019 employee contribution will be 10%.

Public Comment:

None

Correspondence:

None

Adjournment:

A motion was made by Jonathan Jakum, and seconded by David Fink to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 pm. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted as transcribed by Dawn Didra,

Janice M. Meyers
Secretary to the Board of Supervisors