

May 16, 2019

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 David Fink and Jonathan Jakum, Administrator/Secretary-Treasurer Janice Meyers, Road Superintendent Kevin Huber, Zoning Officer Dawn Didra, Atty. Charles Waters from Steckel and Stopp Law Offices as Township Solicitor, and Ryan Christman from Keystone Consulting Engineers as Township Engineer. Steven Bachman was absent.

Pledge of Allegiance

Recording of Meeting: None

Recognition of members of the press: Elsa Kerschner of Northwestern Press

Approve minutes of the April 18, 2019 regular monthly meeting: Motion by David Fink seconded by Jonathan Jakum to approve the minutes of the April 18, 2019 regular monthly meeting. Motion carried.

Public comment on agenda items: None

Lehigh County Commissioner Phillips Armstrong gave an update on the state of the county and encouraged the township to help get the word out on the importance of the 2020 census. For every person not counted \$2000 in funding is lost.

Executive session: Held from 7:35pm to 7:55pm. Attendees: David Fink, Jonathan Jakum, Janice Meyers, Dawn Didra, Kevin Huber, Ryan Christman and Charles Waters. Regarding possible litigation.

Payment of bills: Motion by David Fink, seconded by Jonathan Jakum to approve the payment of the bills General Fund checks # eft3462– eft3488 and 22284 - 22325 and State Fund check #1713. Motion carried.

### Monthly Reports

Regional EMS Steering Committee Report: None

Fire Company: David Fink gave his report and Bill Shellhammer reported that July 8-14 are the training dates for the new truck using the township owned home. The new bay for the new truck is still in the design phase.

Emergency Management Coordinator: Lynn Township approved the \$500 annual stipend, Janice Meyers will advertise for an EMC in the Northwestern Press and East Penn Press.

Ambulance Service: Jonathan Jakum read the monthly report. Diane Huber reported that the new hires are being trained.

Director of Office Operations: Jonathan Jakum gave his report.

Director of Parks and Recreation: None

Director of Public Works: David Fink gave his report.

Road Superintendent: Kevin Huber gave his report.

Township Administrator: Janice Meyers gave her report. Wednesday May 29 at 12pm is the Multi-Municipal Plan Kick off press conference.

Township Zoning Officer: Dawn Didra reported on current and on-going investigations of violations and permit application reviews.

Township Engineer: Ryan Christman, from Keystone Consulting Engineers gave his report.

Environmental Advisory Council Report: No report.

Township Solicitor: None

#### Subdivisions/Land Development

None

#### Unfinished Business:

Hunters Hill drainage issue status: Solicitor and engineer are working on a permanent solution.

Heating and A/C project bids: Review of bid tabled last month. Motion by David Fink seconded by Jonathan Jakum to accept low bid of Leibold Inc. for \$37,000.00. Motion carried.

Proposed sewer ordinance: Atty. Keith Strohl is working on this with the solicitor from Lynn Township.

#### New Business:

Request by Donald Christ to speak to the Board regarding the proposed community pool: Motion by David Fink seconded by Jonathan Jakum to provide a letter of support for the grant to study interest in a community pool stating Heidelberg will have no financial or any other responsibility for the pool. Motion carried.

Liability waivers for fire company training: Charles Waters said the waivers should be ready next week.

Multi-Municipal Comprehensive Plan Planning Services agreement: The Board agreed to use the recommendation of whichever township solicitor reviews the agreement.

#### Public Comment:

As owner of the properties on both sides of road, Earl Zellner requested that Harter Road between Church Road and Reservoir Road be vacated. Charles Waters and David Fink will review this request.

#### Correspondence:

Letter from Weisenberg Township requesting a letter of support for their park grant application: Motion by David Fink seconded by Jonathan Jakum, to draft a letter of support. Motion carried.

Email from North Whitehall resident requesting a response regarding spraying of Roundup weed control: The Board directed Janice to respond the township has no jurisdiction.

#### Adjournment:

A motion was made by Jonathan Jakum, and seconded by David Fink to adjourn the meeting at 8:14 pm. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted as transcribed by Dawn Didra,

Janice M. Meyers  
Secretary to the Board of Supervisors