

MINUTES

CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER:

Chairman Robert H. Rohner, Jr. called the meeting to order at 3:02 P.M. Also present were Theresa Laino, Vice Chair, Aaron Springs, Supervisor, Sean Logsdon, Township Solicitor, Mike Lamoreaux, Township Engineer (via telephone) and Edwina Wolfe, Assistant Secretary.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

None

APPROVE THE MINUTES OF JANUARY 3, 2022 (REORGANIZATION):

Motion made by Mr. Springs second by Ms. Laino to approve the minutes of the January 3, 2022 reorganization meeting. Unanimous.

APPROVE THE MINUTES OF JANUARY 3, 2022 (REGULAR):

Motion made by Mr. Springs second by Ms. Laino to approve the minutes of the January 3, 2022 regular meeting. Unanimous.

APPROVE THE MINUTES OF JANUARY 20, 2022:

Motion made by Mr. Springs second by Ms. Laino to approve the minutes of the January 20, 2022 meeting. Unanimous.

APPROVE THE MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 3, 2022:

Motion made by Mr. Springs second by Ms. Laino to approve the minutes of the February 3, 2022 meeting. Unanimous.

AUTHORIZE THE PAYMENT OF THE BILLS ON LIST #1, LIST #2 AND THE TRANSFERS AS PRESENTED:

Motion made by Ms. Laino second by Mr. Springs to approve the payment of the bills on List #1, List #2 and the transfers as presented. Unanimous.

ACCEPT THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS; ALL FUNDS, FOR THE MONTH ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021:

Motion made by Mr. Springs second by Ms. Laino to accept the financial statements; all funds, for the month ended December 31, 2021. Unanimous.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. BRISCO MT. ROAD CULVERT:

Mr. Lamoreaux discussed the cost of the repair of the culvert. Tim Rohner spoke with someone from the park service a few weeks ago. Tim explained that due to the cost of the repair, if the park cannot assist with the cost, the township may abandon the road. She said she will talk to Bill Taggie about it, no contact has been made since that conversation. Mr. Lamoreaux stated that due to the fact that per our surveys both of the stone headwalls for that culvert fall on park service property we would need some assistance with permitting through the park service.

Mr. Rohner asked about the infrastructure money. Mr. Lamoreaux hasn't seen any money distributed at the local level.

2. BUSHKILL OUTREACH & COMMUNITY CENTER PROJECT:

Attorney Logsdon telephoned Mr. Lamoreaux who reported the only thing outstanding is the coordination with the landscaping with Simone Collins. They went back to the Conservation District last week and asked if a slight change is made in the patio would they will require the project to go back to DEP. They answered no, it will not need to go back to DEP. They still cannot include Simone Collins full landscaping plan because the change to the walking path violates the DEP approval. Mr. Lamoreaux would like to have a discussion with Simone Collins to determine how to coordinate this before advertising for bids. Mr. Rohner will connect with Bill Collins tomorrow to work out the walking path and playground location. Mr. Lamoreaux is hoping to have everything ready by February 28th but it may be pushed back by a few weeks. This will require a 6-8 week bid period.

ADDENDUM #1:

Mr. Springs asked about converting the heating system for the township building from oil to propane. Mr. Lamoreaux will have someone from their office come down to look at the failing boiler.

3. BIG EGYPT ROAD – VACATING: PUBLIC HEARING TO BE SCHEDULED:

Tabled.

4. ZONING ORDINANCE AND SUBDIVISION & LAND DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE AMENDMENTS:

Pike County Planning has done their review and their recommendations have been sent to Attorney Karpovich's office. Attorney Logsdon commented that Attorney Karpovich is okay with the recommendations and is currently working on those changes and the suggestions made by Zoning Officer Stan Whittaker. It is expected everything will be ready in time to be on the agenda for the March 2022 supervisors meeting.

5. LEHMAN PIKE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES APPROVE SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH PORTER TOWNSHIP:

Motion made by Ms. Laino second by Mr. Springs to approve the Lehman Pike Emergency Medical Services agreement with Porter Township. Unanimous.

Sue Duffy reported the employee count is down one medic as a result of termination. There are at least two medics who have requested applications and are waiting for confirmation of interview dates. There is also one request from another EMT for an application.

Long sleeve shirts and work pants were delivered by Dempsey Uniforms. Jackets should be ready for pick up from Kistler Printing tomorrow, with job shirts to follow shortly. An employee asked about baseball and winter hats, they are looking into prices for these and should have the quote by the end of the week.

A crew office has been set up for employees to sign into their timecards and to complete Patient Care Reports. A fax number for L/PEMS has been installed. Three tablets have been ordered and are expected to ship on February 18th. All accessories needed to secure the tablets while in the vehicles have been delivered. The Knox inventory box has been installed and is camera protected in the main lounge. Cabinetry has been received for excess inventory and Tarah Decker has organized all inventory.

There have been multiple meetings with ESO staff and the EMS scheduling program is complete. They are waiting final confirmation from ESO and Paychex to ensure the program is ready for startup. The Patient Care Report portion of ESC is currently inactive since ESO requires our agency and affiliate numbers to activate that portion.

The ALS chase truck is ready for service as soon as the narcotics required are obtained. An order has been placed with St. Luke's Monroe and those narcotics should be obtained by the end of the week.

The used BLS ambulance is currently at the dealership undergoing graphics work and various other inspection and detailing work. It is hoped to have possession of the vehicle in the next few weeks. It will then be fitted with radios and a Knox box. The vehicle will then be fully stocked and an appointment for licensure inspection can be scheduled.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. APPOINT TIM ROHNER AS REPRESENTATIVE TO THE PIKE COUNTY ROAD TASK FORCE:

Motion made by Mr. Rohner second by Ms. Laino to appoint Tim Rohner as representative to the Pike County Road Task Force. Unanimous.

2. RESOLUTION NO. 376 – APPOINTMENT OF 2022 BUSHKILL FIRE COMPANY FIRE POLICE

Motion by Mr. Springs second by Ms. Laino to approve Resolution No. 376 – Appointment of 2022 Bushkill Fire Company Fire Police. Unanimous.

3. APPROVE BUSHKILL YOUTH ASSOCIATION'S USE OF THE FIELDS FROM APRIL 2ND TO JULY 17TH, MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY, 4:30 P.M. TO 8:30 P.M. SATURDAYS FROM 8:00 A.M. TO 8:30 P.M. AND SUNDAYS FROM 9:00 A.M. TO 7:00 P.M. ALSO, SEPTEMBER 5TH THROUGH NOVEMBER 13TH, MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY FROM 4:30 P.M. TO 7:30 P.M. AND SATURDAYS, 9:00 A.M. TO 6:00 P.M.

Motion by Mr. Springs second by Ms. Laino to approve Bushkill Youth Association's use of the fields from April 2nd to July 17, Monday through Friday, 4:30 P.M. to 8:30 P.M. Saturdays from 8 A.M. to 8:30 P.M. and Sundays from 9:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M. Also, September 5th through

November 13th, Monday through Friday from 4:30 P.M. to 7:30 P.M. and Saturdays, 9:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M. Unanimous.

- 4. 2022 CLEAN UP DAYS WILL BE HELD ON THE FRIDAYS OF JUNE 3rd & 17th, JULY 15TH & 29TH, AUGUST 12TH & 26TH AND SEPTEMBER 9TH & 23RD FROM 7:00 A.M. TO 2:00 P.M. PAPER SHREDDING WILL BE AVAILABLE 9:00 A.M. TO 2:00 P.M. ON JUNE 17TH AND SEPTEMBER 23RD.**

Motion by Mr. Springs second by Ms. Laino to approve June 3rd & 17th, July 15th & 29th, August 12th & 26th. and September 9th & 23rd from 7 A.M. to 2 P.M for Clean up days as well as paper shredding on June 17th & September 23rd from 9 A.M.to 2 P.M. Unanimous.

MISCELLANEOUS:

None.

POCONO MT./PIKE COUNTY COG REPORT(S):

No report.

ROADMASTER/PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR:

Roadmaster Tim Rohner reported that the crew has been working on trucks and equipment, the chase vehicle and the EMS closet. The crew has been out plowing and cindering from recent storms. Trash has been picked up on township roads. Work has been done on the parking lot at the park. The new picnic tables have been built and taken to the park for storage. Truck #914 and the bucket truck passed state inspection. A new water softener has been installed at the annex. Potholes have been patched on township roads.

The next Road Task Force meeting is scheduled for February 17th.

ADDENDUM #2:

Attorney Logsdon has been working on the mutual aid agreement for the ambulance service and it is almost ready to be sent to the supervisors for approval. Mr. Logsdon said he hasn't heard anything about the opioid settlement recently. He will look into this to see when the funds may be distributed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Litigation – Northeast Site Contractors.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business motion to adjourn the meeting at 3:43 P.M made by Mr. Rohner second by Ms. Laino. Unanimous.

Respectfully submitted by,

Edwina Wolfe
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Assistant Secretary

