

OCTOBER 13, 2022
THURSDAY, 3:00 P.M.

MINUTES

CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER:

Chairman Robert H. Rohner, Jr. called the meeting to order at 3:00 P.M. Also present were Theresa Laino, Vice Chair, Aaron Springs, Supervisor, Sean Logsdon, Township Solicitor, Mike Lamoreaux, Township Engineer and Edwina Wolfe, Assistant Secretary.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

None.

APPROVE THE MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 8, 2022:

Motion made by Ms. Laino second by Mr. Rohner to approve the minutes of the September 8, 2022 meeting. Unanimous.

APPROVE THE MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 22, 2022:

Motion made by Mr. Springs second by Ms. Laino to approve the minutes of the September 22, 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.

ACCEPT THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS; ALL FUNDS, FOR THE MONTH ENDED JULY 31, 2022:

Motion made by Mr. Springs second by Ms. Laino to accept the financial statements; all funds, for the month ended July 31, 2022. Unanimous.

BID OPENING - ROAD MATERIALS:

Mr. Rohner opened the following bids for road materials:

From Hanson Aggregates Pa LLC:

Gabion Rock:

Pick up \$23/ton for a total of \$6900.00

Delivered \$37.50/ton for a total of \$11,250.00

Crusher Run:

Pick up \$12.50/ton for a total of \$6250.00

Delivered \$27/ton for a total of \$13,500.00

Clean #3 Stone:
Pick up \$18/ton for a total of \$9,000.00
Delivered \$32.50/ton for a total of \$16,250.00

No bid on Wearing.

From Dingmans Ferry Stone:

Gabion Rock:
No bid.

Crusher Run:
Pick up \$11.00/ton for a total of \$5500.00
Delivered \$22/ton for a total of \$11,000.00

Clean #3 Stone:
Pick up \$16/ton for a total of \$8,000.00
Delivered \$24/ton for a total of \$12,000.00

No bid on Wearing.

The township will need to advertise for bids for Wearing a second time.

Motion by Mr. Springs to award the bid for Gabion Rock to Hanson second by Ms. Laino. Unanimous.

Motion by Mr. Springs to award the bid for Crusher Run to Dingmans Ferry Stone second by Ms. Laino. Unanimous.

Motion by Mr. Springs to award the bid for Clean #3 Stone to Dingmans Ferry Stone second by Ms. Laino. Unanimous.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. BRISCO MT. CULVERT:

Tabled.

2. BUSHKILL OUTREACH & COMMUNITY CENTER PROJECT:

The supervisors need to approve the advertisement for bids. Plans will be available on November 15, 2022 and bids will be due February 2, 2023. Motion to approve the advertisement for bids made by Mr. Springs second by Ms. Laino. Unanimous.

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

Mr. Logsdon is waiting for information from the Pike County Conservation District for the SALDO. Once he receives it both will be ready to be presented.

4. LEHMAN PIKE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES:

Susanne Duffy, Administrator prepared the following report and Mr. Rohner presented it.

Between 9/8/2022 and 10/12/2022 LPEMS has received 113 dispatches. Of those dispatches, 43% (49) had an incident type as BLS and 57% (64) had an incident type as ALS. Of those 113 calls, we were unable to respond to 5 (4%) calls, which were due to our being committed on other calls. And, of those 113 calls, we responded to 14 (12%) calls as mutual aid assists for other agencies. The breakdown of dispatches by Municipality is as follows:

- Lehman Township: 89 (79%)
- M. Smithfield 588: 10 (9%)
- M. Smithfield BEC: 5 (4%)
- Delaware Twp: 8 (7%)
- Stroud Monroe: 1 (1%)
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We have remained in service with at least one vehicle in use 24/7.

We received our Braun ambulance from Glick, and it had all necessary graphics completed as well as radios and other equipment installed. This new ambulance has been in service since Friday, September 30. Thank you to Tarah Decker for driving out to Pittston for emergency licensing of the vehicle. This was necessary due to the fact that the white ambulance from NJ had a power issue and was placed out of service. Thank you to Jose Rosado and the Public Works staff for always doing whatever they can to ensure that our ambulances are up and running. We are awaiting graphics, radio, and KnoxBox installment so that we can have the NJ vehicle, now repaired, inspected as another full-time ambulance. That ambulance will remain full-time until we receive the ambulance from Elite in MN (which is tentatively scheduled for delivery in December).

LPEMS provided EMS service to Poconos Park for their Cowboy Luau event which was held on 9-16 and 9-17. The event was well-received. Thank you to all LPEMS staff who worked so hard to cover the event. Special thanks go out to Hemlock Farms EMS and Dingmans Fire/EMS who graciously provided additional stand-by ambulances for the Luau, as well as Suburban EMS who provided additional equipment after a shortage caused previous loaner plans to fall through.

We are now planning EMS standby for Haunted Poconos Park on 10/28 and 10/29. We will not need as many resources as was necessary for the Cowboy Luau, but will be sure to adequately provide for their needs.

Winona Falls station is nearing completion. We should be able to move crews over to that location shortly.

Insurance reimbursements are coming in regularly. Insurance companies are still only paying a fraction of the amount billed, but at least we are being reimbursed something.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. APPROVE VETERAN’S REAL ESTATE EXEMPTION FOR KRISTOPHER A. DECAPUS:

Motion by Ms. Laino second by Mr. Springs to approve Veteran’s Real Estate Exemption for Kristopher A. DeCapus. Unanimous.

2. RESOLUTION NO. 381 – AMENDING THE LOCAL TAX COLLECTION LAW:

Motion by Mr. Springs second by Ms. Laino to approve Resolution No. 381 – amending the Local Tax Collection Law. Unanimous. A copy of this resolution is a part of these minutes on file.

3. RESOLUTION NO. 382 – 2022 PIKE COUNTY HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN:

Motion by Mr. Springs second by Ms. Laino to approve Resolution No. 382 – 2022 Pike County Hazard Mitigation Plan. Unanimous. A copy of this resolution is a part of these minutes on file.

4. RESOLUTION NO. 383 – UPDATED EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PLAN:

Motion by Mr. Springs second by Ms. Laino to approve Resolution No. 383 – Updated Emergency Management Plan. Unanimous. A copy of this resolution is a part of these minutes on file.

5. APPROVE EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK AMENDMENTS:

Motion by Mr. Springs second by Ms. Laino to approve the employee handbook amendments for Maternity/Paternity leave and light duty requirements. The amendments are a part of these minutes on file. Unanimous.

MISCELLANEOUS:

1. PENNDOT WINTER MUNICIPAL MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT HAS A 2% INCREASE TO \$48,498.09:

Mr. Rohner announced the PENNDOT Winter Municipal Maintenance Agreement has a 2% increase to \$48,498.09.

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

There were no meetings held.

ROADMASTER/PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR:

Roadmaster Tim Rohner reported work continues on trucks and equipment. Clean up from clean up days continues. Bill Duffy has been working on the Kuzava building. Trees and brush were cut on Briscoe Mt. Road, Municipal Drive and Church Lane. Truck #910 passed inspection. The garage doors were installed on the Kuzava building. Trash and debris were picked up on the township roads. The township recycling site was cleaned up. J.D. Morrissey was in to pave Toms Creed Road, Church Lane and Municipal Drive and started to pave Briscoe Mt. Road. The new 36” culvert pipe was installed on Thurner Road.

The Road Task Force meeting to be held on 10/20/22 has been cancelled, the next meeting is scheduled for 11/17/22.

There was Dog Training held at the Township Park on October 1, 2022.

The 1000 Pink Lights Walk was held at the Township Park on October 8, 2022.

Zoning Officer Stanley Whittaker mentioned he has been in contact with an individual interested in the Tamiment properties. The individual would like to discuss his plans with the supervisors. Mr. Lamoreaux and Mr. Logsdon will get their availability to Mr. Rohner so he can set up a meeting date.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Litigation with Northeast Site, John Sivick and Boucher and James

Litigation with PennDot

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business motion to adjourn the meeting at 3:53 P.M., and go into executive session made by Mr. Rohner second by Ms. Laino. Unanimous.

Respectfully submitted by,

Edwina Wolfe
Assistant Secretary