

December 16, 2015  
Wednesday, 7:00 p.m.

**MINUTES**

Chairman John P. Sivick called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Also present were Richard C. Vollmer, Vice Chairman and Robert H. Rohner, Jr., Supervisor and Secretary/Treasurer. Robert F. Bernathy, Esq., Township Solicitor and Jon Tresslar, P.E., Township Engineer was not present.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

A comment was received about the 2016 Budget.

**APPROVE THE MINUTES OF DECEMBER 2, 2015:**

Motion made by Mr. Vollmer and second of Mr. Rohner to approve the minutes of December 2, 2015 as presented. Unanimous.

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

Motion made by Mr. Vollmer and second of Mr. Rohner to authorize 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 NOVEMBER 30, 2015:**

Motion made by Mr. Vollmer and second of Mr. Rohner to accept the financial statements; all funds, for the month ended November 30, 2015. Unanimous.

**PUBLIC HEARING – ADOPTION OF THE 2016 BUDGET (RESOLUTION NO. 306 AND RESOLUTION NO. 307 – TAX LEVY):**

Mr. Rohner stated that this is the date (12/16/15), time (7:00 p.m.) and place (Lehman Township Municipal Building) for the Public Hearing for the 2016 Budget.

The advertisement for the hearing was published in the Pocono Record on November 30, 2015, and posted upon the municipal building.

The budget for the General Fund is \$2,325,331.00, and the total of all funds is \$3,257,958.00.

There will be no tax increase.

No public comments were received.

Motion made by Mr. Vollmer and second of Mr. Rohner to close the Public Hearing at 7:04 p.m. Unanimous.

Motion made by Mr. Vollmer and second of Mr. Rohner to adopt the 2016 Budget (Resolution No. 306) as presented. Unanimous.

Motion made by Mr. Vollmer and second of Mr. Rohner to adopt Resolution No. 307 that sets the Tax Levy at 7 Mills for the General Fund, 1 Mill for the Fire Fund and .333 Mill for the Emergency Services Fund. Total Tax Levy is 7.333 Mills.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**1. VAN WHY ROAD DEDICATION REQUEST:**

Tabled.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**1. RESOLUTION NO. 308 – 2016 BLUE RIDGE COMMUNICATIONS FRANCHISE AGREEMENT:**

Motion made by Mr. Rohner and second of Mr. Vollmer to adopt Resolution No. 308 which extends the Blue Ridge Communication franchise agreement from January 1 to December 31, 2016. The fee paid to the township for 2016 shall be \$2,600.00.

**2. REQUEST OF LORIANN MULVEY OF FITZMAURICE COMMUNITY SERVICES, INC. TO USE THE MEETING ROOM FOR JOB INTERVIEWS FOR TOWNSHIP RESIDENTS ON JANUARY 11, 2016 FROM 10:00 A.M. – 2:00 P.M. SNOW DATE OF JANUARY 12<sup>TH</sup>.**

Motion made by Mr. Rohner and second of Mr. Sivick to approve this request. Unanimous.

**3. RE-APPOINT JOHN SIVICK TO THE PIKE COUNTY ROAD TASK FORCE:**

Motion made by Mr. Vollmer and second of Mr. Rohner to re-appoint John Sivick to the Pike County Road Task Force. Unanimous.

**MISCELLANEOUS:**

1. An Executive Session was held on Tuesday, December 15<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. regarding personnel.

**ROADMASTER/PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR:**

Mr. Sivick stated that upgrades to the community park continues. Electrical work completed on the main building.

New windows have been installed in the same building.

The crew did crack sealing on East and West Sugar Mountain Roads.

Maintenance to the township vehicles has been done.

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Leaves picked up throughout the township.

Litter picked up throughout the township has also been accomplished.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business, meeting adjourned at 7:06 p.m. by the motion of Mr. Sivick and second of Mr. Vollmer. Unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert H. Rohner, Jr.  
Secretary/Treasurer