## December 21, 2016 Wednesday, 7:00 p.m.

#### **MINUTES**

Chairman Robert H. Rohner, Jr. called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Also present were Richard C. Vollmer, Vice Chairman, John P. Sivick, Supervisor, MaryAnn Conza, Assistant Secretary. Absent: Robert F. Bernathy, Esq., Township Solicitor, Jon Tresslar, Township Engineer.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

None.

#### APPROVE THE MINUTES OF DECEMBER 7, 2016:

Motion made by Mr. Vollmer and second by Mr. Sivick to approve the minutes of December 7, 2016 as presented. Unanimous.

## **APPROVE THE MINUTES OF DECEMBER 8, 2016:**

Motion made by Mr. Vollmer and second by Mr. Sivick to approve the minutes of December 8, 2016 as presented. Unanimous.

#### **APPROVE THE MINUTES OF DECEMBER 19, 2016:**

Motion made by Mr. Vollmer and second by Mr. Sivick to approve the minutes of December 19, 2016 as presented. Unanimous.

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

Motion made by Mr. Vollmer and second by Mr. Sivick 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, 2016:

Motion made by Mr. Vollmer and second by Mr. Sivick to accept the financial statements; all funds, for the month ended November 30, 2016. Unanimous.

#### **PUBLIC HEARING – 2017 BUDGET:**

Mr. Rohner stated that this is the date (12/21/16), time (7:00 p.m.) and place (Lehman Township Municipal Building) for the Public Hearing for the 2017 Budget.

The advertisement for the hearing was published in the Pocono Record on November 9, 2016, and posted upon the Township building.

The budget for the General Fund will be \$2,732,273.00, and the total of all funds will be \$3,610,434.00.

There will be no tax increase. Millage remains the same at 6 mills for General Fund, 1 mill for Fire Fund and .333 for Emergency Services Fund.

No public comments were received.

Hearing closed at 7:04 p.m. by the motion of Mr. Sivick and second by Mr. Vollmer. Unanimous.

Motion made by Mr. Sivick and second by Mr. Vollmer to adopt the 2017 Budget (Resolution #316), and to keep the General Fund at 6 mills, Fire Fund at 1 mill and Emergency Service Fund at .333 mills (Resolution #317). Unanimous.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

## 1. SAW CREEK ESTATES-FIRE HYDRANTS' MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT:

Attorney Bernathy forwarded the revised agreement from the last meeting. Mr. Sivick had questions concerning items 8, 9, 10 and 11.

Tabled.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

None.

## **MISCELLANEOUS:**

- 1. AN EXECUTIVE SESSION WAS HELD ON DECEMBER  $15^{\rm TH}$  AT 3:20 P.M. REGARDING LITIGATION
- 2. AN EXECUTIVE SESSION WAS HELD ON DECEMBER  $20^{\mathrm{TH}}$  AT 3:30 P.M. REGARDING LITIGATION
- 3. THE SUPERVISORS' 2017 REORGANIZATION MEETING WILL BE HELD ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 3<sup>RD</sup> AT 1:00 P.M.

#### **ROADMASTER / PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR:**

Tim Rohner, Public Works Director, reported that truck #910 failed State Inspection. Parts have been ordered. Crew has been busy cleaning recycling sites, plowing and cindering. Truck #920 sent to Shields for tires. Truck #914A sent to have winter tires put on. Truck #916 and #917 passed inspection. Minor repairs and maintenance done to trucks and plows. Sheetrock being done at the park and installed some insulation in the caretaker's attic. Work being done on truck #921 and should be returned to us on Thursday.

Mr. Sivick stated that specs should be gotten to replace trucks before the middle of February because Ford will not be taking any new orders after that time.

Mr. Sivick stated that the 15 ton weight limit sign for the bridge on Winona Falls Road and Creek Road was put up by PennDOT District 5 for Monroe County who never notified Pike County about it. We need the weight limit raised as quickly as possible for the fire trucks and service trucks. Letters should be sent to the Pike County Commissioners asking for a temporary fix to raise the weight limit. Also, a letter

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should be sent to the Middle Smithfield Township Supervisors to contact their Commissioners to move forward and get the bridges shored up somehow.

Contractors were pulled off the job on Minks Pond Road. DEP put a stop to it because the requirements for storm water and erosion controls were not being met. The project will not be completed as planned by the end of next week.

## **ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business, a motion was made by Mr. Sivick and second by Mr. Vollmer to adjourn the meeting at 7:20 p.m. Unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

MaryAnn Conza Assistant Secretary