

May 13, 2021
Thursday 3:00 P.M.

MINUTES

CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER:

Chairman Robert H. Rohner, Jr. called the meeting to order at 3:12 P.M. Also present were Theresa Laino, Vice Chair, Aaron Springs, Supervisor, Sean Logsdon, Township Solicitor, Mike Lamoreaux, Township Engineer, Stanley Whittaker, Zoning Enforcement Officer, and Edwina Wolfe, Assistant Secretary.

BIDS RECEIVED FOR 2006 TRAC VAC, 2015 TRAC VAC, 2006 EV-SELECT V-BOX MATERIAL SPREADER AND A 1996 AIR FLO, MODEL PS-PICKUP SPREADER:

Mr. Rohner opened the sealed bids. David Veneziano submitted a bid in the amount of \$1507.00 for the 2006 Trac Vac and a bid in the amount of \$1707.00 for the 2015 Trac Vac. Tim Rohner submitted a bid in the amount of \$501.99 for the 2006 Trac Vac and a bid in the amount of \$1001.99 for the 2015 Trac Vac. There was no bid on the 1996 Air Flo, Model PS-Pickup Spreader.

Motion made by Mr. Rohner to accept the bids from David Veneziano in the amount of \$1507.00 for the 2006 Trac Vac and \$1707.00 for the 2015 Trac Vac second by Mr. Springs. Unanimous.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Mike Williams from 2293 Cardinal Drive Pocono Ranchlands complained about the condition of 2273 Cardinal Drive Pocono Ranchlands. Mr. Williams stated he contacted the State Department of Health who told him the township is responsible for cleaning up the property. Mr. Logsdon stated he has received the letter sent to the township from the Ranchlands property manager and is preparing a response. Laura Jones, Property Manager for Pocono Ranchlands, asked if the response will address all of the properties in the letter, Mr. Logsdon responded that yes, the response will address all properties in the letter. Ms. Jones also discussed the condition at 4115 Bear Cub Ct.

PUBLIC HEARING: SHORT-TERM RENTAL APPEAL HEARING FOR SUKHMANI RASTOGI:

The public hearing opened at 3:17 P.M. The hearing was transcribed by a court reporter from Panko Reporting and is a part of these minutes on file. The public hearing closed at 3:48 P.M and the regular meeting reconvened.

APPROVE THE MINUTES OF APRIL 8, 2021:

Motion made by Ms. Laino second by Mr. Springs to approve the minutes of the April 8, 2021 meeting. Unanimous.

APPROVE THE MINUTES OF APRIL 15, 2021:

Motion made by Ms. Laino second by Mr. Springs to approve the minutes of the April 15, 2021 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 JANUARY 31, 2021:

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

ACCEPT THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS; ALL FUNDS, FOR THE MONTH ENDED FEBRUARY 28, 2021:

Motion made by Mr. Springs second by Ms. Laino to accept the financial statements; all funds, for the month ended February 28, 2021. Unanimous.

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

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

ACCEPT THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS; ALL FUNDS, FOR THE MONTH ENDED APRIL 30, 2021:

Motion made by Mr. Springs second by Ms. Laino to accept the financial statements; all funds, for the month ended April 30, 2021. Unanimous.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. BRISCO MT. ROAD CULVERT:

Mr. Lamoreaux reported he continues to have problems finding a surveyor. He is also looking into a less expensive repair option. In order to reduce the size of the culvert studies will have to be completed. Mr. Lamoreaux is looking into the cost of these studies.

2. BUSHKILL OUTREACH & COMMUNITY CENTER:

Mr. Lamoreaux reminded the supervisors a maintenance agreement needs to be developed with Bushkill Outreach. Mr. Rohner said Mr. Logsdon has already prepared the agreement and the supervisors are reviewing it. Mr. Lamoreaux informed the supervisors the other concerns have already been verbally addressed.

3. BIG EGYPT ROAD – VACATING:

Mr. Lamoreaux is also waiting for surveys for this project.

4. REVIEW ZONING MAP AMENDMENTS:

Tabled.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 367 – 2021 FIRE POLICE:

Motion made by Mr. Springs second by Ms. Laino to approve Resolution No. 367 – Fire Police. The Resolution is a part of these minutes on file Unanimous.

2. DIRECT MR. LOGSDON TO REVIEW THE PROCESS FOR REAL ESTATE AND EIT REDUCTION FOR MEMBERS OF THE BUSHKILL FIRE COMPANY:

Mr. Logsdon will review the process for real estate and EIT reduction for members of the Bushkill Fire Company.

3. THE AMBULANCE SERVICE REVIEW COMMITTEE WILL CONDUCT A MEETING ON THURSDAY, MAY 27, 2021 AT 3:00 P.M.

MISCELLANEOUS:

1. THE TOWNSHIP RECEIVED REBATE #1 OF \$51,922.67 FROM THE PA MUNICIPAL HEALTH INSURANCE COOPERATIVE.

POCONO MT/PIKE COUNTY COG REPORT(S):

Ms. Laino reported there was no zoom link for the meeting – she did not attend.

ROADMASTER/PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR:

Roadmaster Tim Rohner reported work continues on trucks and equipment. Trash was picked up on all township roads and the snow equipment was taken to the park for storage. All bins at the township building have been cleaned out. Work on the bathrooms at the township building continues. Potholes have been filled on township roads and the site lines have been mowed. New dirt has been placed on the township ballfield. The recycling sites have been cleaned up at the township building, Tamiment and Pine Ridge. The air conditioning units at the park office and township building have been serviced and repaired. Truck #921 has new tires and the recall was completed on it. The recall on the Ford Explorer was also completed. The parking lot at the park was fixed and potholes were filled by the ag building. The big leaf vac passed inspection. Work was done on the ballfield at the park. Mulch is being hauled to the township recycling site. The April Road Task Force meeting was cancelled. The next meeting is scheduled for May 20, 2021.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – LITIGATIONS (PENNDOT) (SAW CREEK ESTATES)

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:01 P.M and to go into Executive Session – Litigations Penn Dot and Saw Creek Estates made by Mr. Springs second by Ms. Laino. Unanimous.

Respectfully submitted by,

Edwina Wolfe
Assistant Secretary

