

WALLACE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
August 1, 2019

The Regular Meeting of the Wallace Township Board of Supervisors was called to order on Thursday, August 1, 2019 at 7:30 PM in the Township Building by Chairman Moore.

Supervisors present: William Moore | Barbara D'Angelo | Robert Jones

Solicitor: Michael G. Crotty, Esquire

Township Engineer: Craig Kologie

Road Foreman: Steve Senn

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Supervisors began the meeting by reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

EXECUTIVE SESSIONS

None.

CORRESPONDENCE

None.

MINUTES

The minutes for the meeting held on June 6, 2019, and July 11, 2019, were presented for review. After discussion, Supervisor Jones moved that the June 6, 2019, minutes be approved as presented. Supervisor D'Angelo seconded the motion, which carried with the affirmative votes of Supervisor Jones and Supervisor D'Angelo. (Chairman Moore was absent from the meeting and abstained from the vote). Next, Chairman Moore moved that the Board approve the minutes of the July 11, 2019, meeting as presented. Supervisor D'Angelo seconded the motion, which carried with the affirmative votes of Chairman Moore and Supervisor D'Angelo. (Supervisor Jones was absent from the meeting and abstained from the vote).

TREASURER'S REPORT

Manager/Treasurer Randzin provided the Treasurer's report. Nine (9) invoices were presented for review (in the amount of \$55,702.85), together with the July PLGIT payments (in the amount of \$18,165.19), requests for pre-approval payments (in the amounts of \$2,113.42) and a payment correction of a previously approved check to Castle Valley Consultants. After discussion, Chairman Moore moved that the nine (9) invoices on the bills list, in the amount designated above, be approved as presented. Supervisor Jones seconded the motion, which carried unanimously. Next, Chairman Moore moved that the Township ratify and approve the July PLGIT payment in the amount set forth above. Supervisor Jones seconded the motion

which carried unanimously. Chairman Moore next moved that the Board approve the payment of eight (8) invoices on the bills list to be paid through the PLGIT card, in the aggregate amount of \$2,113.42. Supervisor Jones seconded the motion, which carried unanimously. Lastly, Chairman Moore moved that the Board approve the corrected payment to Castle Valley Consultants from July's bills list, in the amount of \$8,068.75 (a difference of \$584.75 than was previously approved). Supervisor D'Angelo seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

POLICE REPORT

Cpl. Moore of the WBTPD presented the Department's report. In July, there were eighty-six (86) citations/arrests, the majority of which were attributed to speed enforcement along the newly paved Highspire Road. The Department also handled a number of other matters, including eight (8) child abuse investigations (5 of which were attributed to Devereux), four (4) missing persons/runaways (all of which were attributed to Devereux), and two (2) sexual offenses (both of which were attributed to Devereux).

GLEN MOORE FIRE COMPANY/ WESTWOOD & ELVERSON AMBULANCE

Scott Welker of the Glenmoore Fire Company provided its report, noting that the GMFC responded to 10 calls in July, 6 of which were in the Township. The GMFC also responded to 9 QRS calls, all of which were in the Township. No report was received from the Westwood Ambulance, which was unable to attend the meeting due to a fatal crash response underway. Steve Jones from the Elverson/Honey Brook Ambulance Company provided its report, noting that it responded to 230 calls in July, 10 of which were in the Township. It maintained an average on-scene time of 10 minutes.

EMC

No report. Township Manager/Treasurer Betty Randzin noted that there is a PSATS course being given on emergency management for non-emergency personnel, which the Township will attend.

PARK AND RECREATION BOARD

Township Manager/Treasurer Betty Randzin provided the report of the PR Board. It is planning for its movie night (The Lorax) and for Community Day.

HISTORICAL COMMISSION/TOWNSHIP ARCHIVIST

No report.

TRAILS PRESERVATION BOARD

No report. Supervisor D'Angelo noted that the Wallace Trust will host an upcoming meeting on potential trails with the Trails Preservation Board.

EAC

No report. Supervisor D'Angelo reported that the EAC has begun clearing the rain garden at Burgess Park. A discussion took place about purchasing additional equipment for the task.

AUTHORITY

Supervisor D'Angelo noted that the Authority is continuing to move forward with its grinder pump replacement project.

PLANNING COMMISSION

Chairman Moore noted that the Southdown project will be on the agenda for the Planning Commission's upcoming meeting. A discussion took place about the trail network planned for each of the proposed developments. A discussion also took place about the Township property on Fairview Road (burial ground) and mowing/clearing of it by neighboring property owners. Consideration will be given to installing trees, plantings or another physical barrier to delineate the lots, as well as obtaining a survey to ascertain the precise boundary.

ROAD FOREMAN

Road Foreman Steve Senn noted that speed stripes were placed on Highspire Road; the Department attended the Berks County Public Works meeting; he met with Bob Kennedy from PennDOT about the potential of an Agility Agreement; and the Department performed boom mowing, road and other maintenance. With respect to the Agility Agreement, the Board requested that the Solicitor prepare a Resolution for the Board to consider at an upcoming meeting. A productive meeting was also held with PennDOT on a variety of road projects on state roadways that it will now undertake.

NEW BUSINESS

- 1) PennDOT Winter Services Agreement – New 5 Year Agreement: A discussion took place about the new 5-year Winter Services Agreement with PennDOT. Through the Agreement, PennDOT will reimburse the Township for its plowing certain state roads. However, a provision of the Agreement requires the Township to obtain a permit before going over any weight-restricted bridges (which is required for certain areas of the state road plowing). Chairman Moore moved that the Board approve Resolution 19-08, authorizing the PennDOT Winter Services Agreement, subject to confirmation from

PennDOT as to approving the use of Springton Road Bridge. Supervisor D'Angelo seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

- 1) Bike the Brandywine 9/28/19: Township Manager/Treasurer Betty Randzin reported that Rob Daniels of Brandywine Conservancy was unable to attend the meeting. She relayed his statement that the Conservancy modified the route from the past years' event (now over a Township road), in order to avoid a state road intersection. Concerns were raised over the modified route, including the need for fire police to monitor and the intersections that the new course would impact. The Board noted that a written plan should be submitted by the Conservancy in order for the Township to consider.
- 2) Township Building: Township Manager/Treasurer Betty Randzin noted that quotes were received for the computer and firewall services. After discussion, Chairman Moore moved that the Board authorize the services by U-neek Computer Repair Services, at a rate of \$120 per hour, in order to set up the required firewall, the antivirus protection, sync the computers and set up the VOIP phones. Supervisor D'Angelo seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.
- 3) Indiantown School: The Road Foreman provided an update on the progress of the renovations to the schoolhouse. Painting work will move forward within the next few weeks. After discussion, Chairman Moore moved to authorize the purchase of the lights from Colonial Electric, in an amount not to exceed \$2,000. Supervisor D'Angelo seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.
- 4) Farming – Ray Park Property: As a continuation of the public comment and action on the Ley farming agreement for the Ray Park Property from last meeting, Chairman Moore noted that it appears that the field has already been planted. This was not mentioned by Mr. Ley when he made his prior comments or thereafter. In order to allow the planted fields to be harvested, Supervisor D'Angelo moved that the Board authorize extending an offer to Mr. Ley to harvest the fields in 2019, in the amount of the prior lease (\$5,000), noting that the Board would make a decision on future use of the fields in 2020. Chairman Moore seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

Adjournment

Chairman Moore moved that the meeting be adjourned. The motion was seconded by Supervisor D'Angelo, which carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 9:19 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Betty Randzin
Township Manager/Secretary

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