

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
SCHUYLKILL TOWNSHIP
75 WALNUT STREET
MARY-D, PA 17952**

The Regular meeting of the Supervisors of Schuylkill Township was held on Wednesday, December 2, 2015, at 7 P. M. in the Municipal Building. Those present included Charles Hosler, Christine Verdier and Charles Fayash. The Pledge of the Allegiance was recited.

The Chairman entertained a motion to accept the November Minutes. A motion to approve the November minutes as written was made by Verdier, 2nd by Hosler. All approved.

Treasurer's Report

\$327,653.82 total in bank accounts. A motion was made to accept the Treasurer's Report pending audit was made by Verdier; 2nd Hosler. All approved.

Replies to last month's public questions -

No replies to last month's questions.

Public comment on agenda items only -

No public comment on agenda items.

Police Report –

November Report: Total hours worked-123; Total miles patrolled-416; Total Municipal assists-3; Total phone calls-11; and Total citations issued-11

Road master Report-

Backhoe was serviced, hole patching has been completed, and millings have been put on Porter Street.

Solicitors Report- Michael Greek

Letter was sent regarding petty cash incident, no response was made. Prepared oath of office and residency paperwork for the newly elected supervisor. Waiver for not taking the offered health insurance was completed. Noise Ordinance is in process and will be completed for the January meeting.

Committee Reports

Council of Government—Committee met on November 18th, Shenandoah not paying dues was discussed. Upcoming 2016 meetings within the area were discussed as well: January 27th-Frackville; March 23rd-Ashland; May 25th-Mahanoy Twp.; July 27th-Mahanoy City; September 28th-Frackville; and November 16th-Mahanoy Twp.

Recreation Committee—Meeting is scheduled for the second week of December. This Saturday, December 5th is the breakfast with Santa fundraiser.

No reports from Tax Collection Committee.

Communications:

Flyer from the Department of Health for anyone who does not have health insurance, they are able to receive a flu shot at the Schuylkill County State Health Center in Pottsville. Must be scheduled by appointment only, on December 8th from 10am-3pm.

Old Business

Spoke with Attorney Greek regarding the petty cash receipts.

PLGIT Procurement Card process is still on hold until audits are completed for 2014.

The Township received the garbage contract back from Tamaqua Transfer.

Employee agreement contracts are to be signed by all supervisors and filed in the employees personnel file.

Tuscarora waterline is almost completed. The Board had a meeting with the engineer to discuss further connection of the loop. The Board and the engineer were discussing on how we may be able to fund the project. At this point there is nothing but will be something to discuss in the future.

The Board requested that we keep the 2014 audit tabled on the Agenda until it is completed at the end of the month.

New Business

The Board is to approve the 2016 budget which was presented at last month's meeting. The budget has been on file since last month's meeting with no objections. Hosler entertained a motion to approve the 2016 budget. Motion made by Verdier to approve the 2016 budget of total revenues of \$421,723 and total expenditures of \$410,655 which puts us at a no tax increase for 2016. 2nd Hosler. All Approved.

Paperwork for the newly elected Supervisor is in the office and is to be completed. There is an oath of office as well as a residency form that must be filled out in front of a judge or notary.

The Township does offer life insurance for all newly hired employees and it is through PSATS. The new policy forms are in the Secretary's office to be filled out and sent back to have the policy start in January.

The Township had received a letter from the DEP for an application to have Michael Coal Company mine in the silt banks by the baseball field. At this point it is just the company sending in their application to do so.

The Township received a request from Marian Catholic High School to have permission to use our baseball field as their home field for the 2016 season. That would start in March and continue on until June. This request should be tabled until next meeting so we can sit with the school and discuss if this is possible, due to this being the first time requesting to use our field and needing more information to see what all is involved including days and times of practices and games.

Public Comment

Mary Van Pelt, Brockton, questioned where the police officer was this evening. Verdier stated she is sick.

Paul Benulis, Brockton, questioned why the delay on getting the 2014 audit completed. Also, Benulis questioned if the 2015 audit will be held up on receipts, then there was a discussion held that there was a special audit that was completed to do some corrections for the 2015 audit. Benulis wanted to thank Fayash and Hosler for putting the millings down for the family on Porter Street that was an issue at last month's meeting.

John Zubris, Brockton, questioned if there will be a copy of the noise ordinance in the office for review before it is voted on. Also was questioning when Joseph Zelinsky's plaque will be put up.

Jessica Tirpak, Tuscarora, stated that before the Board approves Marian to use our field that we need to discuss with Tamaqua Baseball Assoc. due to there being a line up of teams that are wanting to use the field and has become tough trying to fit all the teams in.

Greg Tirpak, Tuscarora, questioned if there were any plans on paving where the waterlines were completed for the winter.

Paul Benulis, Brockton, questioned if something hit the wall outside of the building, what is the Board going to do about and also, is the person who did it going to pay for it. Benulis also questioned the police officers hours and why they doubled and still questioning on the amount of hours worked along with the amount of miles patrolled, does not add up.

Dan Gray, Brockton, added onto Jessica Tirpak's point regarding the baseball field, if all teams submit when they need to use the field and make up a schedule on when all teams are able to use the field so it is even. Also, wanted to make a point to mention that Verdier does work very hard.

Danny DeCindio, Tuscarora, wanted to thank Verdier for the last 6 years of service.

Verdier made a motion to adjourn the meeting; 2nd by Hosler. All approved.

Adjourned

Attest: Natasha Tyson