

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

The Regular meeting of the Supervisors of Schuylkill Township was held immediately after the reorganization meeting on Monday, January 7th, 2018 in the Municipal Building. Those present included Charles Fayash, Charles Hosler, and Frank Fabrizio. The Pledge of the Allegiance was recited prior to the Reorganization meeting.

Charles Hosler made a motion to approve the December Minutes. 2<sup>nd</sup> Fabrizio. All approved.

Treasurer's Report

\$337,902.95 total in bank accounts. Charles Fayash made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report pending audit. 2<sup>nd</sup> Hosler. All approved.

Public comment on agenda items only – Christine Verdier, Mary D, asked about NEPA and looking into funding through Appalachian Regional Commission for roads. Verdier expressed concerns about Main Street of Mary D and not waiting until October to complete road projects.

Police Report – total of 13 calls including parking complaint, abandoned vehicles, domestic, traffic hazard, theft, assist other agency, welfare check, littering.

Code Enforcement Report - none

Road master Report- Hosler stated Maintenance cleaned out culverts and road shoulders, patched potholes, picked up trash and tires alongside the road. Hosler stated that the company will make good on the most recent batch of coal patch that was not holding together. Company will contact Hosler once they get it straightened out and replace the bad batch. Hosler made a motion to purchase 5 ton of coal patch (from Leesport). 2<sup>nd</sup> Fayash. All approved.

Solicitors Report-Lucas revisited increasing the zoning/variance fees.

Zoning Report- 1 zoning permit was issued.

Committee Reports

Council of Government- Committee did not meet

Eastern Schuylkill Recreation Committee- Committee did meet (received our check)

Tax Collection Committee- Committee did meet

Communications: Alfred Benesch & Company sent letter of commitment along with rate information. The township received the dividend check in the amount of \$288.07 from PSATS Unemployment Compensation Group Fund for having an exemplary claims ratio for 2017 and being current in filing our quarterly reports. The township received State Police Fines & penalties in the amount of \$532.89. The bidding threshold increased effective Jan.1, 2019.

Old Business Discussed Resolution 2016-2 Zoning Board Application Fees tabled from last two meetings during the solicitor's report. Feathers questioned if the increase will cover the costs for this upcoming year. Hosler made a motion to change the variance fee from \$500 to \$750 and the appeal from \$300 to \$500. 2<sup>nd</sup> Fabrizio. All approved.

New Business- Hosler made a motion to approve payment to PSATS for the Township dues in the amount of \$933.00. 2<sup>nd</sup> Fabrizio. All approved. Hosler made a motion to approve payment to the Tamaqua Area Chamber of Commerce for membership dues in the amount of \$150.00. 2<sup>nd</sup> Fayash. All approved. Hosler made a motion for registration for the supervisors and secretary/treasurer and approval for secretary to register for secretary's luncheon, lodging, meals, and mileage during the Convention. 2<sup>nd</sup> Fabrizio. All approved. Hosler made a motion to approve payment for membership with NEPA in the amount of \$275.00 for 2019. 2<sup>nd</sup> Fayash. All approved. Hosler made a motion to accept part-time officer's Christian DeAngelo's resignation. 2<sup>nd</sup> Fabrizio. All approved.

Public Comment

Christine Verdier, Mary D, questioned if the board has relaxed their rules regarding someone from the public speaking during old business. Fayash stated it depends on the board if they are willing to answer the question during it.

Patti Skripko, Brockton, questioned DiMarco regarding the neighbor and his junk and burning in the fire pit. DiMarco stated the complaint of the smoke going into her house would fall under the quality of life which our township does not have. DiMarco stated he spoke to him about the junk for him to clean it up or he will have to issue him a letter and citation. Hosler questioned what the neighbor is burning in it. Skripko stated he is burning dressers and furniture. Skripko also stated his vehicle was out of inspection. Skripko asked about implementing the Quality of Life. DiMarco stated it is very strict. Skripko stated New Philadelphia has one that is altered for their town and questioned why our township could not do that. DiMarco stated it was up to the board. Fabrizio asked for a copy of New Philadelphia's ordinance. It was stated that the township had people working on an altered copy previously but nothing happened with it because the board changed. There was some discussion regarding ordinances.

Fayash made a motion to adjourn the meeting. 2<sup>nd</sup> Hosler. All approved.

Adjourned

Attest: Colleen Barrett