

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

The Regular meeting of the Supervisors of Schuylkill Township was held on Monday, July 3, 2017, at 7 P. M. in the Municipal Building. Those present included Charles Hosler, Charles Fayash and Frank Fabrizio. The Pledge of the Allegiance was recited.

Hosler made a motion to approve the June Regular Meeting Minutes. 2<sup>nd</sup> Fabrizio. All approved.

Treasurer's Report

\$371,244.51 total in bank accounts. A motion was made to approve the Treasurer's Report pending audit by Fayash; 2<sup>nd</sup> Hosler. All approved.

Replies to last month's public questions - none

Public comment on agenda items only – none

Police Report –none

Code Enforcement Report-none

Roadmaster Report- Fayash stated pricing on flags: Lowe's flag kits are \$6.98; Home Depot's flag kits are \$7.98. Fayash stated potholes were fixed and signs were put up in Newkirk. Fayash requested permission to rent the bush hog to cut along the highways and sides of the roads. Hosler suggested contacting COG to see if it will be available.

Solicitors Report- Atty. Baranko

Hazmat & Dog Nuisance Ordinance. Atty. Baranko asked for confirmation of advertisement of both. Barrett stated both were advertised June 9, 2017 in the Republican. Atty. Baranko stated the ordinances are ready for adoption

Zoning Report-none

Committee Reports

Council of Government— none; will meet July 26, 2017

Tax Collection Committee—none

Recreation Committee—none

Communications-Fayash stated that the township received a thank you letter from the Schuylkill County Veterans Trip Organization for our sponsorship. Fayash stated Wex Bank updated its' account terms. In order to avoid the paper fee of \$10 per billing cycle, it is recommended to sign up for online viewing. Fayash made a motion to sign up for online viewing for Wex Bank. 2<sup>nd</sup> Hosler. All approved. Fayash stated that the Reading Phillies have provided complimentary tickets for the 2017 Coal Region Night Friday, July 14. The tickets will be available at Township Building office and Post Offices. Fayash thanked Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Denning for donating a flag. Fayash discussed the flag quotes again; questioning the type of metal poles. Hosler stated he didn't believe the metal poles were the same as what we have. Fayash agreed. Fayash suggested contacting Linda DeCindio to see if she remembered where the township purchased the flags from.

Old Business

Schuylkill County Emergency Management Agency does not have our township on their list of municipalities that have this local ordinance on Hazardous Material Emergency Planning & Response

Act. The Agency encourages all municipalities to review and take action if necessary. Ordinance 2017 - ## was advertised in the Republican on June 9, 2017. Hosler made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2017-1. 2<sup>nd</sup> Fabrizio. All approved.

Amendment to the Dog Nuisance Ordinance 2-2008 was advertised in the Republican on June 9, 2017. Atty. Baranko stated two issues were changed in Ordinance 2017-2: one of the paragraphs did not finish declaring a particular section as a nuisance (this was Section four that was finished) and repeal any ordinances and amendments that conflict with this ordinance. Atty. Baranko also stated he put in a severability clause (which states that if parts of the ordinance are held to be illegal or otherwise unenforceable, the remainder of the contract should still apply). Atty. Baranko Ordinance 2017-2 is not eliminating Ordinance 2-2008; it is an amendment to Ordinance 2-2008. Ordinance 2-2000 is eliminated. Hosler made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2017-2. 2<sup>nd</sup> Fabrizio. All approved.

Community Development Block Grant Program had a meeting on June 14<sup>th</sup> that Fayash attended regarding the application process for funding available and qualifying projects. At the program Fayash was questioned about the Water line in Tuscarora project. It was discussed whether the project was wrapped up. Fayash also stated the township could get grants towards the roads and he is waiting on the information. Fayash questioned Gary Feathers on whether the fire company was going to do the paperwork regarding the grant for purchasing breathing apparatus. Fayash suggested Feathers contact Gary Bender. Asphalt Roads Common Maintenance Problems Program was held June 29<sup>th</sup>, both Fayash and Mark Buccieri attended this training program. They recommended a lot of sealing to prevent cracking from underneath the roads. Midland Asphalt submitted a quote for Crack seal discussed at the June meeting. No other quotes were received. Fayash asked if we were going to still look into this. Hosler said yes. Fayash suggested calling Seal Master but that company only rents machine and sells the supplies, so the township would have to figure in the wages of three workers when completing that quote. Midland's quote was for 700 minimum gallon purchase at \$15.22/gallon. Dianne Battaglia submitted a request for a handicapped parking place at the June 5, 2017. The supervisors and Chief DiMarco looked at the area that was requested for the parking space. It was determined it could not go directly in front of her house because of the width of the front of property. Also there is a previous handicapped parking place for the neighbor. Her requested parking place could go next to neighbor's parking place and still allow for the required 15ft from stop sign. Hosler stated to send her a letter stating the handicapped parking space would go near the intersection of Strawberry and Locust Street (15ft from the stop sign/35ft from Strawberry Street) and not directly in front of her house and to detail the installation fee of \$100 and the annual fee of \$40. Fayash made a motion to approve the handicapped parking place for Battaglia pending receipt of letter and fees. 2<sup>nd</sup> Fabrizio. All approved.

#### New Business

Schuylkill Chamber of Commerce annual dues invoice of \$325 for business membership. There is an option for a one time hardship rate of \$199. We paid \$196 annually the past three years. Fayash made a motion for membership at the one time rate of \$199. 2<sup>nd</sup> Hosler. All approved.

#### Public Comment

Mary Van Pelt, Brockton, asked the same question at last meeting about the times the coal trucks could travel through Brockton. Hosler stated DiMarco was to get her an answer. Van Pelt stated she is still waiting for an answer.

Erin Donley, Brockton, asked if any of the Board members had spoken to DiMarco about the property on Lewis Street regarding the high grass. Fayash stated he would speak to DiMarco about it.

Dan Gray, Brockton, asked if we had any additional information regarding the upcoming closure on 209 with the construction project. The information the township has is posted on the website.

Mary Van Pelt, Brockton, asked about a copy of the new dog ordinance. It will be posted online usually within a week of adoption.

Dan Gray, Brockton, wanted to clarify that the only changes to the dog ordinance were to make it more legally acceptable.

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

Adjourned

Attest:

Colleen Barrett