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, November 5th, 2018 in the Municipal Building. Those present included Charles Fayash and Charles Hosler. The Pledge of the Allegiance was recited. Charles Hosler made a motion to approve the October's Regular Meeting Minutes. 2nd Fayash. All approved.

Treasurer's Report

\$411,939.51 total in bank accounts. Charles Fayash made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report pending audit. 2nd Hosler. All approved.

Answers to Last Month's Public Questions- None

<u>Public comment on agenda items only</u> – Joe Yesavage, Tuscarora, asked if we had any solutions to the drainage issue in Tuscarora that he asked about previously. Hosler stated that he spoke with the engineering firm to see if the township could get some money to fix the area. Yesavage asked if the township could bring the backhoe up to do some things in the meantime to make it easier for them. Hosler stated we would work on it. Joe Leskin, Brockton, asked about water problem from Green Street to 336 Valley Street, Brockton. Hosler stated we will work on it. Fayash questioned Mark Buccieri about the availability of millings to possibly help the problem.

<u>Police Report</u> – 21 total calls and 10 others for October. Some of which include: Assist other agencies, parking complaints, traffic complaints, ordinance violations, abandoned vehicles, suspicious activity, information, and harassment.

Code Enforcement Report -included in police report

Road master Report-Hosler stated filled potholes and cleared drains, prepared GMC for inspection, police car was inspected by Cals, police jeep was inspected by DiMarcos, International is waiting on a muffler from PVC, winterized township mower, fixed areas that washed out from the rain, and mixed salt. Gary Feathers stated Walker Township asked if Schuylkill Township was interested in sharing the expense of renting a seal master machine to fix cracks in township for a week's rental at approximately \$1,875 plus materials. Feathers stated to speak with Chad or Craig.

Solicitors Report-John Lucas on behalf of Joe Baranko discussed Resolution 2016-2 Zoning Board Application Fees with regards to the newspaper's fees for advertising rising and stenographic fees rising. Lucas suggested changing fees from \$500 to \$700 variance/special exception and an appeal from \$300 to \$500. Upcoming Judicial Sale has the property that has been condemned/abandoned on Piersol Street. An answer or plead needs to be filed by Nov. 27th, 2018. Hosler recommended discussing fee changes when Frank Fabrizio returned. Fayash agreed to table.

Zoning Report- Three permits were issued by Light Heigel. One UCC permit was issued by CIA.

<u>Committee Report-</u>Council of Government-meets next month; Tax Collection Committee – meets next month; Eastern Schuylkill Recreation Committee – Hosler made a motion to pay the ESRC membership dues of \$1,000.00. 2nd Fayash. All approved.

<u>Communications:</u> Notice of Public Hearing of the Zoning Hearing Board for Al Snukis of 56 Catawissa Street, Tuscarora on November 8, 2018 at 7:00 pm. Notice of Public Hearing of the Planning Commission regarding Tarcon Land Sale and amendments to Zoning/SALDO on Tuesday, November 8, 2018 at 6:00 pm.

<u>Old Business</u>- Pat Trevisan from HA Thomson has given the township two workers' compensation quotes. The savings would be approximately \$789.00 if HA Thomson moves the township to EMC. Hosler made a motion to go with EMC. 2nd Fayash. All approved.

New Business- Tamaqua Public Library is seeking a donation. The township has given a donation of \$500.00 annually in the past three years. Fayash made a motion to donate \$500 to the Tamaqua Public Library. 2nd Hosler. All approved. The annual donation to Fire Companies was discussed. The township typically gave \$1500 to each company and the township already helped with the legal costs of the merger of the two township fire companies. Hosler made a motion to donate \$1500 to the Tuscarora Fire Company. 2nd Fayash. All approved. The Board of Supervisors have reviewed and discussed the 2019 Annual Budget. Hosler also added that the total revenues are \$459,189 and the total expenditures are \$455,440 and no tax increase. Fayash made a motion to advertise the Annual Budget for 2019 in the newspaper. 2nd Hosler. All approved. Hosler made a motion to pay Lettich & Zipay invoice for completion of 2017 Financials/Audit of \$5,000.00. 2nd Fayash. All approved. Hosler made a motion to pay for hauling of Anti Skid Material for township from Pottsville Materials by Robert Stremick (hauler) for \$1718.76. 2nd Fayash. All approved. Hosler made a motion to pay the 2% garbage commission check for Colleen Barrett for \$1978.42 on the \$98,921.16 collected from 12/14/17-11/04/18. 2nd Fayash. All approved.

Public Comment

Billy Zahora, Mary D, asked about the two potholes on Sunny Drive that have now formed into one giant pothole, one out before the alley, and some on Forest Lane. Hosler stated he will have maintenance check them out.

Mary VanPelt, Brockton, questioned the job of the supervisors. Hosler stated the operations of the township. VanPelt questioned if part of the supervisor's job is to harass a hired worker (hired by property owner) because they found a stone on their property. Fayash stated it was not one stone but several stones on the neighbor's property and in the front of his house. Fayash stated he asked politely if the worker would clean the stones up.

Bridget Leskin, Brockton, questioned if the township engineer is on retainer or as needed. Hosler stated it is as needed. Leskin questioned if the engineer could possibly come out and check the various water drainage issues in township. Hosler stated he spoke to the engineer about possible grants to address the situations.

Ron Coleman, Tuscarora, questioned who the township's engineering firm is. Fayash stated Alfred Benesch/Dave Horst.

Joe Yesavage, Tuscarora, questioned the length of the contract with Atlantic Broadband. Fayash stated it is between 10-15 years. Yesavage discussed several fees that were being charged on his bill.

Fayash made a motion to adjourn the meeting. 2nd Hosler. All approved.

Adjourned

Attest: Colleen Barrett