TOWNSHIP OF SALISBURY LEHIGH COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA MINUTES FROM THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS April 26, 2018 REGULAR MEETING – 7:00 PM

The Public Meeting of the Salisbury Township Board of Commissioners was held on the above date in the Township Municipal Building located at 2900 South Pike Avenue, Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Martucci asked everyone to rise and recite the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by a short period of silence and reflection.

CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner Martucci called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Commissioner Martucci turned the proceedings over to Ms. Cathy Bonaskiewich, Township Manager.

ROLL CALL

Board Members Present:

Robert Martucci, Jr., President Debra Brinton, Vice-President James Seagreaves, President Pro-Tempore Joanne Ackerman Rodney Conn

Staff Present:

Cathy Bonaskiewich, Township Manager
Paul Ziegenfus, Finance Director
John Andreas, Director of Public Works
Allen Stiles, Chief of Police
Don Sabo, Police Sergeant
Cynthia Sopka, Director of Planning & Zoning
Sandy Nicolo, Code Enforcement Officer, MS4 Coordinator
John Ashley, Esquire, rep of Davison & McCarthy, Township Solicitor
David Tettemer, rep of Keystone Consulting Engineers, Township Engineer

NOTIFICATION

Ms. Bonaskiewich informed the attendees that all sessions of the Salisbury Township Board of Commissioners regular meetings are recorded electronically for the purpose of taking the Minutes.

All public comments on agenda items will be taken prior to the vote. All public commented related to non-agenda items will be taken after the agenda has been satisfied.

Ms. Bonaskiewich reminded everyone of the three-minutes rule and asked that anyone who wishes to speak, come to the podium, announce oneself, and sign-in with name and address so as to assist Township administration with follow-ups.

APPROVAL OF THE FINANCIAL REPORT AND LIST OF BILLS PAYABLE

Motion by Commissioner Ackerman, seconded by Commissioner Seagreaves, to approve the unaudited Financial Report for the period ending March 31, 2018 and the list of Bills Payable for the period 4/7/2018-4/20/2018, broken down as follows:

\$160,065.82 = GENERAL \$15,806.64 = FIRE \$11,589.00 = WATER \$11,322.55 = SEWER \$556.78 = REFUSE & RECYCLING \$13,735.06 = HIGHWAY AID \$213,075.85 = GRAND TOTAL ALL FUNDS

Roll Call:

COMMISSIONER ACKERMAN – YES COMMISSIONER SEAGREAVES – YES COMMISSIONER BRINTON – YES COMMISSIONER CONN – YES COMMISSIONER MARTUCCI – YES

The Motion passed by 5-0.

MINUTES

April 12, 2018

Commissioner Martucci declared the Minutes of April 12, 2018 accepted as presented.

NEW BUSINESS

ORDINANCES

Amending the current Burn Ordinance.

Ms. Bonaskiewich stated that the intent of the amendment was to clear up language that could have impacted the Township's recycling efforts. She noted that any reference to any materials that the Township currently promotes as recyclable, such as paper or cardboard, had to be removed.

Motion by Commissioner Conn, seconded by Commissioner Brinton, to adopt Ordinance No. 04-2018-616, amending the current Burn Ordinance.

Roll Call:

COMMISSIONER ACKERMAN – YES COMMISSIONER SEAGREAVES – YES COMMISSIONER BRINTON – YES COMMISSIONER CONN – YES COMMISSIONER MARTUCCI – YES

The Motion passed by 5-0.

RESOLUTIONS

None.

MOTIONS

Motion to Award the Bid for the Water Main Replacement Project for Paxford Road, Maumee Avenue and Montgomery Street.

Ms. Bonaskiewich stated that a bid opening was held on April 16th and the Engineer has had time to review the paperwork and bring forth a recommendation.

Mr. Tettemer commented that the lowest responsible bidder was Barrasso Excavation of Oley, PA for \$818,437. He noted that he has reviewed their references and financials and is recommending the award.

Motion by Commissioner Ackerman, seconded by Commissioner Seagreaves, to award the bid for the Water Main Replacement Project for Paxford Road, Maumee Avenue and Montgomery Street to Barrasso Excavation of Oley, PA.

Roll Call:

COMMISSIONER ACKERMAN – YES COMMISSIONER SEAGREAVES – YES COMMISSIONER BRINTON – YES COMMISSIONER CONN – YES COMMISSIONER MARTUCCI – YES

The Motion passed by 5-0.

Motion to Accept the Proposal received on April 20, 2018 for an Emergency Services Comprehensive Review.

Ms. Bonaskiewich stated that a bid opening was held on April 20th, and the lowest responsible bidder was Duane Hagelgans Consulting of Lancaster, PA for \$45,000. She noted that their credentials include a variety of experience and background in emergency services, including police and fire services.

Mr. Robert Agonis of Meadowbrook Circle W inquired about a timeframe for completion. Ms. Bonaskiewich stated that it is a multi-month process, beginning in May. A report is expected by the end of the year, but the actual deadline is January 2019.

Motion by Commissioner Conn, seconded by Commissioner Seagreaves, to accept the proposal from Duane Hagelgans Consulting of Lancaster, PA for an Emergency Services Comprehensive Review.

Roll Call:

COMMISSIONER ACKERMAN – YES COMMISSIONER SEAGREAVES – YES COMMISSIONER BRINTON – YES COMMISSIONER CONN – YES COMMISSIONER MARTUCCI – YES

The Motion passed by 5-0.

PRIVLEGE OF THE FLOOR

Mr. John Kelly, a member of the Board of Trustees for Western Salisbury Fire Department, requested a referendum concerning the topic of their Swain Station expansion be placed on the November election ballot in order to solicit input from the residents regarding the financial commitment from the Township. Commissioner Martucci noted that the Board would like to consider the results from the Emergency Services Comprehensive Review before making a financial commitment. He commented that while the requested commitment for year one (2018) was not supported, the Board has not denied the entire project.

Mr. Joseph Sagat of 515 Erney Street was present to address the Broad in regards to the fire wood restrictions proposed in the Property Maintenance Code Ordinance Revision. Commissioner Martucci commented that there are still some changes to be made to the Ordinance before it is completed.

Mr. Sagat also expressed concerns about a neighbor feeding feral cats. Mr. Nicolo noted that Mr. Mike Sinko, Animal Control Officer, is aware of the situation and has sent a notice to the resident and has provided traps to Mr. Sagat. Mr. Sagat commented that he has cats in the traps on the weekends when there is no ACO on duty. Chief Stiles commented that he should call the non-emergency police number and an officer will contact Mr. Sinko.

Ms. Sopka announced that the EAC, Penn State Extension and Lehigh County had a successful meeting about the spotted lantern fly. She noted that over 50 people attended the meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Seagreaves made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Brinton. The time was 7:42~p.m.

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Respectfully submitted,
Cathy Bonaskiewich Township Secretary
These constitute the official minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners held on April 26, 2018.
Approved and certified on this date:
Cathy Bonaskiewich
Date:
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