

SUMMIT TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS
Regular Business Meeting
Tuesday, January 3, 2017

<p>The regular business meeting of the Board of Supervisors was called to order at 6:25 p.m. immediately following the 2017 Organization Meeting.</p>	<p>CALL TO ORDER</p>
<p>Motion by Lee, seconded by Welka, to award a 3% wage increase for Township employees.</p>	<p>WAGES</p>
<p>Joe Podolsky, 2323 Edinboro Road, asked how the Board finds time to discuss wage increases. Agostine responded that wages were determined during the Public Budget Work Session. Mr. Podolski further confirmed that the Board of Supervisors receive no overtime as employees. Vote: 3/0</p>	
<p>Motion by Welka, seconded by Lee, to approve all employee paid time off according to the current Personnel Code.</p>	<p>PAID TIME OFF</p>
<p>Joe Kuzma, 8550 Old French Road, suggested the Board review the unlimited vacation time offered to employees. Chairperson Agostine responded that this Board will be reviewing the Personnel Code, including vacation policy, which currently includes (1) additional vacation day per year for employees who have worked over ten years. Agostine confirmed that there is no cap on the additional day. Vote: 3/0</p>	
<p>Motion by Lee, seconded by Welka, to adopt Resolution #2017-06 that all eligible employees are entitled to pension and insurance benefits according to the Township Pension and Insurance Plans. Pension to be set at \$7166 per employee for 2017. Pension payments to be made quarterly to the pension trustee. Vote: 3/0</p>	<p>RES. #2017-06 PENSION BENEFITS HEALTH & LIFE & DISABILITY INS.</p>
<p>Motion by Welka, seconded by Lee, to adopt Resolution #2017-07 to continue to provide Supplemental Insurance for 2017, at \$1,600 per employee per year, per the Personnel Code. Vote: 3/0</p>	<p>SUPPLIMENTAL INSURANCE</p>
<p>Motion by Lee, seconded by Welka, to set the 2017 mileage reimbursement at the recommended IRS rate, currently 54¢. Vote: 3/0</p>	<p>MILEAGE RATE</p>
<p>Motion by Agostine, seconded by Lee, to approve expenses for attendance to the Pennsylvania State Association of Township Supervisors (PSATS) Annual Convention on April 17-20, 2016.</p>	<p>PSATS CONVENTION</p>
<p>Joe Podolsky, 2323 Edinboro Road asked how many attend the PSATS Convention. Supervisor Agostine responded that she has never attended. Supervisor Welka responded that he is planning on attending for the first time this year. Supervisor Lee responded that he has attended every year and has received valuable information from fellow supervisors and the work sessions. Mr. Podolsky further expressed concern for the increase in the pension amount. Vote: 3/0</p>	
<p>Motion by Welka, seconded by Lee, to use the 2017 County Liquid Fuels funds for Road Maintenance Materials. Vote: 3/0</p>	<p>2017 CO. LIQUID FUELS</p>
<p>Motion by Lee, seconded by Welka, to approve expenses for attendance to various Computer and Professional Development Classes from the Manufacturer's Association for N. Miller, T. Cass, and K. Hayford. Vote: 3/0</p>	<p>MFG. ASSN. CLASSES</p>

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Motion by Agostine, seconded by Welka, to adopt Resolution #2017-08 approving the Erie Area Council of Government (EACOG) 2015 Audit Report, as presented.

Vote: 3/0

RES. 2017-08
EACOG AUDIT

There were no Land Development items to come before the Board.

LAND DEV.

Solicitor Sennett thanked the Board on behalf of the Knox, McLaughlin, Gornall, & Sennett Law firm for the appointment for 2017.

SOLICITOR

Solicitor Sennett reported that he has received and forwarded for Board review, a revised version of the Franchise Agreement from Charter Communications. It will take some time to review, as Charter Communications did not make notation of some of their deletions. Solicitor Sennett will make recommendation after his review.

Engineer Jonas also thanked the Board for his 2017 appointment, and further reported that the Fencing Project bid opening is scheduled for January 30, 2017.

ENGINEER

Supervisor Agostine reported that the advertisement for consideration to impose "non-sufficient funds" (NSF) fees needs corrected.

SUPERVISORS

Motion by Agostine, seconded by Lee, to re-advertise consideration to adopt an Ordinance to impose NSF fees for Tuesday, January 16, 2017 at 4:30 p.m.

Vote: 3/0

Supervisor Lee mentioned that the weather is predicted to turn nasty tomorrow through Friday and reminded everyone to drive cautiously.

Bill First, 705 Langdon Road, thanked the Board for supporting Emergency Management both financially and individually. Similar to insurance, emergency management is not needed unless a disaster happens. Mr. First further supports attendance at the PSATS Convention and the education it provides. The Board responded with appreciation to Bill First for his service as Emergency Management Coordinator.

PUBLIC INPUT

Paul Kuzma, 8550 Old French Road, noted that Board of Supervisors is doing a good job managing the Township, but asked for justification for the 5% increase in the Pension allowance. Agostine responded that typically a pension increase is in lieu of salary increase. Pennsylvania reimburses a large percentage of the pension cost, and it is an economical way of rewarding employees. Discussion ensued.

Joe Podolski, 2323 Edinboro Road, asked how the Board has budgeted for the potential loss of Gaming Funds. Supervisor Welka responded that the 2017 Budget shows the revenue, but does spend it within expenses. The general expenses of the Township are still fully funded without the Gaming Revenue.

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With no further business to come before the Board, motion was made by Lee, seconded by
Welka, to adjourn the meeting at 6:47 p.m.
Vote: 3/0

ADJOURNMENT

Respectfully submitted,

Christene S. Yeast
Recording Secretary
01/10/2017