

SUMMIT TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS
Regular Business Meeting
Monday, March 4, 2019

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| Chairman Welka called the regular business meeting of the Board of Supervisors to order at 6:00 p.m. following salute to the flag. Supervisors Lee and Davis were present, as were, Solicitor Sennett, Zoning Administrator Miller, Engineer Jonas, Secretary Yeast, and seven interested persons. | CALL TO ORDER |
| Motion by Lee, seconded by Davis, to approve the minutes of the Public Hearing and Regular Business Meeting on February 19, 2019, as presented and reviewed by the Board of Supervisors. Vote: 3/0 | 2/19/2019 MINUTES |
| There was no correspondence. | CORRESPONDENCE |
| Motion by Davis, seconded by Lee, to approve the February 2019 Expenditures as presented and reviewed by the Board of Supervisors. Vote: 3/0 | FEB. 2019 EXPENSES |
| Chairman Welka explained that Waste Management is requesting waiver of the Lakeview Landfill host fees for the Great American Clean-up at \$1.50 per ton. | HOST FEE WAIVED FOR GREAT AMERICAN CL-UP |
| Motion by Lee, seconded by Davis, to waive the \$1.50 Host Fee during the Great American Clean –up from April 13, 2019 – May 6, 2019. Vote: 3/0 | |
| Motion by Davis, seconded by Lee, to approve expenses for Christene Yeast and Michelle Nesselhauf to attend the Erie County Association of Municipal Administrators (ECAMA) quarterly dinner meeting on March 14, 2019. Vote: 3/0 | ECAMA DINNER MEETING |
| Motion by Lee, seconded by Davis, to approve expenses for attendance to the Erie County Association of Township Officials (ECATO) Annual Firemen’s Conference Dinner on March 28, 2019. Vote: 3/0 | ECATO FIREMEN’S CONFERENCE DINNER |
| Chairman Welka explained that only one bid was received for the Pre-emption system Units for Route 97. | PRE-EMPTION SYSTEM FOR RT.97 BID AWARD |
| Motion by Davis, seconded by Lee, to award the bid for the Pre-emption System Units for Route 97 to Emergency Traffic Systems, Inc. Vote: 3/0 | |
| Zoning Administrator Miller requested Board consideration to approve expenses for Planning Commission Member Tracey Colvin, and Zoning office administrator Tammy Cass to attend “The Course in Community Planning”. This course consists of (3) consecutive Tuesday evenings in March. | |
| Motion by Davis, seconded by Lee, to approve expenses for Tammy Cass and Tracey Colvin to attend the “Course in Community Planning”. Vote: 3/0 | SWPAERG EMPLOYER AGREEMENT |
| Zoning Administrator Miller announced that the process to update the Zoning Ordinance has begun. Supervisor Welka questioned how long the process takes. Miller responded that it will be a lengthy process and may take into 2020. | LAND DEVELOPMENT |

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Solicitor Sennett suggested the Board provide details regarding the motion to award the Pre-emption Bid.

SOLICITOR:

- Bid details

Secretary Yeast responded that there was only one bidder, Emergency Traffic Signals, Inc. The award is for five (5) units to be installed on the traffic signals on Route 97 for a project total of \$35,435. Yeast added that the Township will receive grant funding through the Erie Area Council of Governments (EACOG) for half of the total cost.

Engineer Jonas began a presentation for the Annual MS-4 Public Input Session. An overview map of the Township showing the MS-4 area with the locations of catch basins, inlets, pipes, and storm detention facilities. The storm sewer mapping will allow the Township to trace where storm water travels in the event of a hazardous spill. Per the Federal Clean Water Act, the Township is required to reduce potential pollution. Summit Township plans to install rain gardens in Community Park and is in the process of getting a survey completed to determine the best locations for the rain gardens.. The Township Stormwater Management Ordinance requires revisions in order to comply with the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) 2022 Model Ordinance by 2022. This is in process with tentative completion this year. In the spring of 2019 notices will be sent to property owners as reminders for stormwater facilities maintenance.

ENGINEER:

- Stormwater Public Input Session
- Work Session
- Old French Rd. Bridge project

Ken Mattern, 129 Frank Avenue, asked who pays for the clean-up in the event of a hazardous spill. Engineer Jonas responded that the party causing the spill would be responsible for any clean-up costs. In most cases, Perry Hi-Way Hose Company (PHHC) would respond to spills. PHHC will also have access to this map.

Engineer Jonas requested Board consideration to schedule a work session to proceed with amendments to the Summit Township Stormwater Ordinance.

Motion by Davis, seconded by Lee, to authorize advertisement for a public work session for March 18, 2019 at 3 p.m.

Vote: 3/0

Engineer Jonas requested authorization to advertise for the replacement of the Old French Road bridge.

Motion by Lee, seconded by Davis, to advertise to receive bids for the replacement of the Old French Road bridge. Bids to be opened on March 29, 2019 with a possible award on April 1, 2019.

Mike Pace, 770 Townhall Road, asked if construction would affect the 5K race held during the Residents Weekend at Picnicana Park. Engineer Jonas responded, no, he would anticipate construction in August and Residents Weekend is in July.

Vote: 3/0

Supervisor Welka announced that Sam Bayuzick, recently hired for full-time has submitted his resignation. Welka added that Sam was an excellent worker and the Board understands he is pursuing his own aspirations.

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Jim Chojnacki, 9481 Old French Road, questioned the numbers on the January Treasurer Report for the loan to the Water Authority. Supervisor Welka explained that is a new category on the Treasurer Report. Assistant Treasurer Yeast explained that the numbers listed on the report reflect only one month payment, and the total due remaining.

PUBLIC INPUT

Jim Chojnacki, 9481 Old French Road, asked if the Board is aware of the PA Governor proposed budget that includes municipal payments to the State Police from municipalities without their own police force. The Board responded that they are aware, and in the event this proposal becomes reality, the Township will need to raise the real estate taxes or take funds out of reserve. Discussion ensued.

Jim Chojnacki, 9481 Old French Road questioned why the Board provided the Summit Township Industrial and Economic Development Authority (STIEDA) with \$500,000. Supervisor Welka responded that STIEDA can provide economic stimulus within Summit Township, by providing loans or grants to qualified applicants. The Township can only loan or provide funds to the Summit Township Water and Sewer Authorities, and Perry Hi-Way Hose Company. Discussion ensued regarding the initial creation of STIEDA and restricted and unrestricted funds. Supervisor Welka further explained that loaning funds to our Authorities can generate more interest than what is currently available in Certificates of Deposit (CD)

Ken Mattern, 129 Frank Avenue, suggested hiring recent high school graduates as a part-time, low income police force.

Kevin Ingraham, 8905 Honeysuckle Drive, asked if it was possible to charge for State Police services areas with higher crime events more than an area with relatively little crime. Solicitor Sennett responded that you cannot tax commercial differently than individuals.

Mike Pace, 770 Townhall Road, asked Zoning Administrator Miller for an example of what needs updated in the Zoning Ordinance. Miller responded that an incentive to keep development in a specific area is something the Comprehensive Plan suggested. Solicitor Sennett added that there are many language changes required in order to comply with new regulations. Miller further explained that the comprehensive Plan lists twelve (12) main recommendations.

With no further business to come before the Board, motion by Davis, seconded by Lee, to adjourn the meeting at 6:34 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Vote: 3/0

Respectfully submitted,

Christene S. Yeast
Recording Secretary
03/11/2019