

INDEPENDENCE TOWNSHIP

JANUARY 3, 2017

The Re-organization and Regular January meetings of the Board of Supervisors of Independence Township were both held on Monday January 3, 2017 at the Independence Township Community Center. The meeting was called to order at 4 p.m. by Solicitor David DelGreco and the assembly stood for the pledge of allegiance to the United States flag.

ROLL CALL

Present were Supervisors Daniel McLaughlin and John Fratangeli; Solicitor David DelGreco; Police Chief Lance Malobabich; Clerk Debra Shaffer and Secretary Wendy Potts Fleegal. Supervisor Wayne Potts was excused.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

There was no public comment on Agenda items.

RE-ORGANIZATION

CHAIRMAN

Daniel McLaughlin was re-appointed Chairman with a motion by J. Fratangeli and second by D. McLaughlin. Motion carried.

At this time the Solicitor handed the gavel to Chairman McLaughlin.

VICE CHAIRMAN

Wayne Potts was re-appointed Vice Chairman with a motion by J. Fratangeli and second by D. McLaughlin. Motion carried.

SECRETARY/TREASURER

Wendy Potts Fleegal was re-appointed Secretary/Treasurer with a motion by D. McLaughlin and second by J. Fratangeli. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S BOND

The Treasurer's bond remained at \$150,000.00 with a motion by D. McLaughlin and second by J. Fratangeli. Motion carried.

SOLICITOR

The firm of Goldberg, Kamin & Garvin was re-appointed as Solicitor with a motion by D. McLaughlin and second by J. Fratangeli. Motion carried.

SOLICITOR RETAINER

The Solicitor's retainer remained at \$300.00 per month with a motion by J. Fratangeli and second by D. McLaughlin. Motion carried.

ENGINEER

The firm of Michael Baker Engineers was re-appointed as the Township's engineer with a motion by J. Fratangeli and second by D. McLaughlin. Motion carried.

PLANNING COMMISSION MEMBERS

Paul Frey and Sherrie Domitrovich were both re-appointed to the Planning Commission for four year terms with a motion by J. Fratangeli and second by D. McLaughlin. Motion carried.

The Chairman stated that a vacancy exists on this board and residents interested in serving should contact the Township office.

ZONING HEARING BOARD MEMBER

Michael Dengel was re-appointed to the Zoning Hearing Board for a three-year term with a motion by D. McLaughlin and second by J. Fratangeli. Motion carried.

RE-ORGANIZATION, cont.

RECREATION BOARD MEMBER

D. McLaughlin made a motion to table any action on a Recreation Board Member at this time stating the Recreation Board has been inactive for years and needs re-worked; J. Fratangeli seconded the motion. Motion carried.

SEWAGE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

D. McLaughlin made the motion to re-appoint Michael Groves, with A G-Squared Services, LLC as principal SEO; seconded by J. Fratangeli. Motion carried.

ALTERNATE SEOs

Alternate SEOs, also with A G-Squared Services, LLC, Jeffrey Winkle and Ronald Andrasko were re-appointed with a motion by D. McLaughlin and second by J. Fratangeli. Motion carried.

UCC BLDG. & ZONING PERMIT OFFICER

Code.sys Code Consulting, Inc. was re-appointed UCC Inspector with their John Hucko as our Building and Zoning permit officer, motion made by J. Fratangeli and second by D. McLaughlin. Motion carried.

CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Code.sys Code Consulting, Inc.'s John Hucko was re-appointed Code Enforcement officer with a motion by J. Fratangeli and second by D. McLaughlin. Motion carried.

POLICE CHIEF

Lance Malobabich was re-appointed Police Chief with a motion by J. Fratangeli second by D. McLaughlin. Motion carried.

ROADMASTER

Jeffrey Sweitzer was re-appointed Roadmaster with a motion by J. Fratangeli and second by D. McLaughlin. Motion carried.

WORKING SUPERVISOR COMPENSATION

The hourly rate for working Supervisors was increased to \$12.18 per hour, pending Township Auditor approval, with a motion by D. McLaughlin and second by J. Fratangeli. Motion carried.

VACANCY BOARD CHAIRMAN

Delores George was re-appointed Vacancy Board Chairman with a motion by D. McLaughlin and second by J. Fratangeli. Motion carried.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR

Mark New was re-appointed Emergency Management Coordinator with a motion by D. McLaughlin and second by J. Fratangeli. Motion carried.

PENSION CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

Wendy Potts Fleegal as re-appointed Pension Chief Administrative Officer with a motion by D. McLaughlin and second by J. Fratangeli. Motion carried.

COG REPRESENTATIVE

J. Fratangeli made the motion to suspend the Township's COG membership for this year so no representative or alternate appointment was made; D. McLaughlin seconded. Motion carried.

AGRICULTURAL SECURITY AREA REPRESENTATIVE

Wayne Potts was re-appointed ASA representative with a motion by D. McLaughlin and second by J. Fratangeli. Motion carried.

RE-ORGANIZATION, cont.

RIGHT-TO-KNOW OFFICER

Debra Shaffer was re-appointed as Right-to-Know officer with a motion by J. Fratangeli and second by D. McLaughlin. Motion carried.

STATE CONVENTION VOTING DELEGATE

D. McLaughlin made the motion not to send a delegate to the 2017 PSATS convention, J. Fratangeli made the second. Motion carried.

MILEAGE

The mileage amount was set at 53.3 cents, same as the federal rate, with a motion by J. Fratangeli and second by D. McLaughlin. Motion carried.

DEPOSITORY FOR TOWNSHIP FUNDS

D. McLaughlin made the motion to retain Wesbanco Bank as depository for all Township funds, seconded by J. Fratangeli. Motion carried.

SUPERVISOR'S MONTHLY MEETING SCHEDULE

The Supervisor's monthly meeting schedule was set for the second Wednesday at 4 pm to be held at the Independence Twp. Community Center; J. Fratangeli made the motion, D. McLaughlin seconded. Motion carried.

DEPUTY REAL ESTATE TAX COLLECTOR

Diane Palsa, Hopewell Twp. RE Tax Collector, was again named as deputy RE tax collector with a motion by D. McLaughlin and second by J. Fratangeli. Motion carried.

REGULAR JANUARY MEETING

MINUTES

The Minutes of December 14, 2016 were approved with a motion by J. Fratangeli and second by D. McLaughlin. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer's report, including payment of bills and payroll, was approved with a motion by J. Fratangeli and second by D. McLaughlin. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

The Police and Road Department monthly reports were accepted with a motion by J. Fratangeli and second by D. McLaughlin. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

There was no public comment on Agenda items.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

RESOLUTION #1-2017 ~ KBR COMMERCIAL PMC

Resolution #1-2017, the KBR Commercial PMC re-submittal to DEP, was approved with a motion by D. McLaughlin and second by J. Fratangeli. Motion carried.

APPOINT CPA FOR 2016 AUDIT

Mark Turnley, CPA was appointed to complete the 2016 audit; motion by D. McLaughlin and second by J. Fratangeli. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION #2-2017 ~ FEE SCHEDULE

Resolution #2-2017, the fee schedule for 2017, was approved with a motion by J. Fratangeli and second by D. McLaughlin. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION #3-2017 ~ POLICE MANUAL

Resolution #3-2017, the Police Department's updated policy and procedure manual, was approved with a motion by J. Fratangeli and second by D. McLaughlin. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION #4-2017 ~ BEAVER COUNTY HAZ. MIT. PLAN

Resolution #4-2017, adopting Beaver County's Hazardous Mitigation plan, was approved with a motion by J. Fratangeli and second by D. McLaughlin. Motion carried.

PURCHASE BOMAG ROLLER

D. McLaughlin made the motion to purchase a 2014 Bomag roller from Murphy Tractor & Equipment Co., J. Fratangeli seconded the motion. Motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The following public announcements were made:

- Auditor's Re-organization Meeting Jan. 4, 2017, 4:30 pm at Township Building
- Planning Commission Re-organization Meeting Jan. 25, 2017, 7:30 pm at Comm. Center
- Wednesday Morning Coffee Jan. 18, 2017, 8-10 am at Community Center
- Chili Cook-off Feb. 25, 2017, 6-9 pm at Community Center
- Recycle January 6 & 7 and February 3 & 4 – 2017 Calendar Attached
- Next Supervisor Meeting February 8, 4 pm at Community Center

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

ADJOURN

The Meeting adjourned at 4:25 pm with a motion by J. Fratangeli and second by D. McLaughlin. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Wendy Potts Fleegal, Secretary/Treasurer