

November 16, 2015

The regular monthly meeting of the Mahoning Township Supervisors was held this evening at the Mahoning Township Municipal Building at 4:30 PM.

Members of the Board present:

Christine DeLong, Chairperson  
Wayne Myers, Vice-Chairman  
Dave Barron, Supervisor

Also attending were:

Leslie Young, Fire Chief	Ryan Tira, Solicitor
Joe Sylvester, Danville News	Chris Krepich, Press Enterprise
Dean Von Blohn, ZO	Lloyd Craig, MTSD
Linda Weaver	Linda Rea
Marlene Gunther	Joseph Diehl
Carl & Jody Appleman	Thomas Mertz
Bob Blee	Emma J Jordan
Jean Hagenbuch	Molly Shultz
Bill Lynn	Richard Spotts
Bob Snyder	Thomas Elmes
Glen Wintersteen	Linda Nedoff-Weckter
Jack & Darlis Dyer	Sue Kauwell
Jonathan Fellin	Ken & Jackie Woodruff
Richard Brown	Kris Andreas
Asha & Ja Patel	T S Scott

**EXECUTIVE SESSIONS:** October 29, November 5 and 6, 2015 held for personnel matters. Also, an executive session held following workshop this morning for legal matters.

**PATROLMAN POSITION:** By motion of Mr. Myers, second Mr. Barron, the Board agreed to hire Jonathan Yaskiewicz to fill the position of Patrolman. Mr. Yaskiewicz was sworn in by the secretary. He will be a probationary officer for one year at a salary of \$53,281.23.

**HOLIDAY PARTY:** The solicitor advised the audience that after careful review of their questions from last meeting, the Board is under no obligation to disclose the name of the donor, who offered to pay for the holiday party. The party is also not in violation of the ethics act, as no one receives a benefit in return from providing a party. He also advised that the party has been cancelled due to lack of interest with all of the bad publicity; very few people want to attend.

**BUDGET:** Mr. Barron answered questions regarding the budget that were posed at the last meeting.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

**Sue Kauwell** asked more questions regarding the budget and recognized veteran's, stating they fought for the right to come to a meeting to speak.

**Bill Lynn** asked about the hiring of the new patrol officer, his right to know request and how often an outside audit is performed. He was told each year by the CPA.

**Richard Brown** requested that the Board look into starting a recreational park

**Molly Shultz** questioned water meter installation and was advised that should go to the Municipal Authority, as they are a separate entity and they handle water meters.

**Bob Snyder** suggested an accountant modify the budget documents.

**Jonathan Fellin** asked for clarity on audit findings, and was advised there are and have never been any.

**Marlene Gunther** questioned the removal of the weight limit sign on Bald Top Road , and was advised there was no ordinance in place to provide for it. She further questioned the update to a 537 Plan for Bald Top and was advised DEP had not required one.

**MINUTES AND TREASURER'S REPORT** for October were approved by the Board with no alterations or corrections, motion Mr. Myers, second Mr. Barron.

## **DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

**SOLICITOR:** N/A

**ZONING/UCC:** November report submitted.

**HUNTER ADD ON LOT:** Final approval of the plan was given, Mr. Myers motioned in favor, Mr. Barron seconded. A Certificate of Non-Conformance will be issued by the Zoning Officer.

**POLICE DEPARTMENT:** November report submitted.

**STREET DEPARTMENT:** November report submitted.

**ENGINEER'S REPORT:** Engineer's Report for November; no action was required by the Board.

**FIRE DEPARTMENT:** October report read. Chairperson apologized to the volunteers on behalf of the board that the dinner, held in honor of the volunteers would not be held this year.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

**BUDGET 2016:** The final proposed budget was adopted with no tax increase, Mr. Myers motioned in favor, Mr. Barron seconded. Millage is 1.588.

**SURPLUS PROPERTY:** The Board approved advertising surplus property for sale on the munici-bid website. Items for sale are: 1997 recycling trailer, 1994 Cub Cadet lawn tractor, boom mower, power broom, old radio, phone, and camera equipment, speed machine and tapes, tractor weights, wheel weights and a video recorder from the police cruiser. Motion in favor Mr. Myers, second Mr. Barron.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

**TAX COLLECTION WEBSITE:** Letter requesting a URL be added to the township website to allow electronic tax payments. The Board advised the tax collector that it is her responsibility to handle the collection of taxes how she sees fit on her own website. She was elected to the office to handle tax collection. In preparation of the decision, she advised that the county would allow access to their site and taxpayers could access the site at montourco.org for the coming year.

**TURKEY SHOOT:** Mr. Myers motioned in favor of granting a permit to the East End Fire Company to hold the Turkey Shoot November 20, 2015, Mr. Barron seconded.

**POLICE TIME OFF EXTENSION - SIDE LETTER:** Mr. Myers motioned in favor, Mr. Barron seconded, thereby, agreeing to extend holiday, vacation and personal time until April 30, 2016, as the department is short one officer.

With no further business to come before the Board, Mr. Myers motioned in favor of paying the bills and payrolls for November and also to adjourn, Mr. Barron seconded.