

December 18, 2017

The Regular Meeting of the Mahoning Township Supervisors was held this evening at the Mahoning Township Municipal Building at 5:30 PM.

Members of the Board present:

Chairman Ken Woodruff, Vice Chairman, Bill Lynn, Supervisors T. S. Scott, Solicitor Ryan Tira, Treasurer Ken Houck, Secretary Joe Oberdorf, Water and Sewer Secretary Carolyn Dragano, and Zoning Officer Dean VonBlohn.

Also attending were Joe Sylvester, Danville News, Chris Krepich, Press Enterprise, Henry Eyer, Marlene Gunther, Bryan Campbell, Bill Pursel, Linda Rea, Glen and Lori Cromley, Molly Shultz, John and Nancy Whelan, and Todd Keyser.

ALL VOTING WILL BE CONSIDERED UNANIMOUS UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Ken Houck gave the November report showing a beginning balance of \$234,830.24 with receipts of \$325,876.37 and expenses of \$164,312.00. The ending balance for September was \$396,394.61. The Water & Sewer Department Report shows a beginning balance November 1, 2017 of \$797,796.16, receipts of \$116,985.36 and expenses of \$193,384.20 with an ending balance of \$721,397.32.

Zoning Officer Dean VonBlohn will make comments on some items later that are listed on the agenda.

Lynn reporting for the Police that on December 15th, a lady in her 80's who lives on Sunset Drive went out to her mail box and fell and couldn't get up. She reported that three cars had passed by and didn't see her lying there. Street personnel Ken Strausser and Sam Hunsinger helped her inside and offer assistance. Lynn commended the employees for their fine effort.

Lynn also said that Street Department Leader Lloyd is asking that residents remove the portable basketball hoops and any cars that are parking on the asphalt section of the street should be taken off and put in their driveways during periods of snow plowing.

Lynn moved to approve the minutes of November 13th and November 20th, 2018. Scott seconded.

VonBlohn reported that T&S Realty would like the board to review the waiver request.

Waiver of T&S Realty, LLC

T&S Realty, LLC, (the "Applicant") submitted a conditional use application to Mahoning Township (the "Township") with respect to development of a certain tract of lands located along Bloom Road comprising approximately 9.767 acres as a multi-family housing development for apartments. Pursuant to the provisions of the Mahoning Township Zoning Ordinance governing conditional use applications, the Township is to forward such applications to the Township Planning Commission for review and to provide a recommendation within forty- five (45) days of receipt of such request. Within sixty (60) days of receipt of an application for conditional use, the Supervisors are required to hold the first hearing on the application (Section 250-80 (D)).

Applicant learned that on or about December 4, 2017 the Township Planning Commission conducted a meeting and provided a recommendation to deny the conditional use. Applicant was unaware that the Planning Commission was reviewing the conditional use application at the December 4, 2017 hearing. Accordingly, no representatives of Applicant were present to make a presentation to the Township Planning Commission or address any questions or concerns that the Commission may have had with respect to the application.

Applicant has requested the Township Supervisors to refer this matter back to the Planning Commission for review and comment at its January 8, 2018 meeting and thereby, affording the Applicant a full and fair opportunity to make a presentation and answer any questions that the

Commission may have. Thereafter, the Planning Commission may thereafter alter, amend, and/or ratify the recommendation issued at the December 4, 2017 meeting. The Applicant agrees to waive the provisions of Section 250-80(D) of the Mahoning Township Code for such purpose and would agree that the first conditional use hearing be commenced no later than ninety (90) days from receipt of the conditional use application.

T & S Realty, LLC

Todd Keyser, Member

VonBlohn noted the T&S attorneys did not know of the past meeting and is asking the Supervisors to approve the waiver. Scott moved to accept the waiver which was seconded by Lynn.

Scott moved for final adoption the 2018 Budget which was seconded by Lynn. The 2018 Budget shows Projected Revenues \$2,828,630, General Expenses \$1,379,631.00, Police Expenses \$725,501.88, and Street Expenses \$706,400.00.

Scott made a motion to adopt the tax rates for 2018 and ending the Per Capita Tax. The millage will remain the same as this year with the only exception being elimination of the Per Capita Tax. Property tax will be 1.588 mills, Township mills 1.384, Fire Tax .204, Realty Tax ½ % and Local Earned Income Tax of ½ %. Marlene Gunther questioned is there a street light tax this year. Scott reviewed his motion there is only one change and that is the elimination of the Per Capital Tax. The Street light and Hydrant tax remain as is for 2018. Lynn seconded

Scott moved to approve the Resolution increases requested by Marlene Gunther, Tax Collector to be \$25 per Parcel Per Year Tax Certification and \$50 per Check on all Checks Returned. (These fees are paid directly to the tax collector), the Township does not receive any of these monies.) Lynn seconded the motion. The \$5 per Parcel Duplicate Bill Fee to remain the same as last year.

Scott reviewed the new 2018 schedule of meetings. Scott also made a motion to adopt the advertised meeting dates of the Supervisors for 2018 to be **two regular** meetings per month. (The second and fourth Monday of each month unless a holiday conflicts). This should reduce the expense of advertising special "voting" meetings and all meetings are to be held at 5:30 P.M. Lynn seconded.

Scott noted the dates for 2018 of the Planning Commission and moved to approve the Planning Commission Meeting dates being the first Monday of each month beginning at 5:30 pm. Lynn seconded. VonBlohn noted that he contacts the Planning Commission if there is not any business to address at the meeting date. VonBlohn also noted the time constraints required by the ordinance.

Scott made a motion to appoint Robert Davies, Joe Graham and Larry Blosky to the 2018 Uniform Construction Code Board of Appeals, which was seconded by Lynn.

Scott then moved to appoint Barry Hartman as a regular member and Paul Matrishion as the alternate to the 2018 Planning Commission. Lynn seconded.

Zoning Officer Dean VonBlohn reported last week that Richard Phillipkoskie (a current alternate to the Zoning Hearing Board) would agree to be a regular member of the Zoning Hearing Board. Scott moved to appoint Mr. Phillipkoskie effective 2018 to the ZHB, seconded by Lynn.

Lynn noted the township may consider the possibility of hiring a part-time employee for the Street Department for snow removal as Bret Levan will not be able to assist the department because of recent surgery.

Lynn moved to sell the 1997 Ford F350 truck for sale through MUNICIBID System. Houck explained the system of advertising on Municibid. Seconded by Scott.

Ken Houck reported that Landmark Signature Homes would like the escrow accounts of \$2,685.00 and \$6,846.61 returned to them with the understanding that a Deed of Dedication will be received by the Township. After some discussion regarding the work that was done by Landmark Signature Homes, Scott made a recommendation this will be tabled until the January 2, 2018 meeting. Lynn seconded.

Christmas Tree Pick Up will begin on December 29th and continue every Monday and Friday until January 26, 2018. Trees are to be at curbside by 7 am and trees will not be taken if they contain stands, lights or in plastic bags.

Scott reported that Solicitor Ryan did sent a letter to the Ethics Commission regarding the discussion held last week for the position of auditor. A copy was sent to both papers.

Solicitor Tira noted the response from the Ethics Commission may take several weeks because of the holidays.

Scott extended an appreciation and a thank you to our Chairman Woodruff and for his dedication (a second time serving the Township) and wished both he and his wife the very best.

Lynn moved to pay the bills and adjourn. Scott seconded.

This meeting was recorded.

These minutes reflect the events and dialog during the meeting but are not transcribed word to word.

Joe Oberdorf, Secretary