KISKIMINETAS TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Regular Meeting

August 10, 2022

CALL TO ORDER: Pledge of Allegiance TIME: 6:00pm

ROLL CALL: Present: Chuck Rodnicki, Mike Bash, Rich Frain, Dylan Foster, Sherry Tamski

Absent: None.

Armstrong County CDBG representative to discuss upcoming needs.

Board was given a copy of funding considerations for upcoming CDBG application.

TOWNSHIP SOLICITOR MILLER: Personnel issues will be discussed in Executive Session.

TOWNSHIP ENGINEER LENHART: Engineers report supplied to Board.

SEWAGE AUTHORITY: Supervisor Rodnicki stated there is a Sewage Authority meeting on 08/18/2022 in the Township Building.

Rose street Sewage Repair Project will be rebid for next spring, due to the declination of the sole bid being approx. $160,000.00 over estimates.

PLANNING COMMISSION: Discuss citizen mailings for upcoming hearings on Aug. 22 and Aug. 29, 2022 both at the Kiski Twp. VFD.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Ron Stefanik discussed the water line that was installed and caused the problems in sewage on Rose Street. Stefanik also discussed the PUC hearing and results held on 08/09/2022.

Jim Chikar stated the Board was not complying with the Sunshine act; Solicitor Miller stated the Board was.

Brittany Hilliard stated she is circulating a petition to have three Supervisors removed from the Board.

Diane Tamski asked the Solicitor a question.

Jim Chikar asked a question about Public Comment vs. Public Discussion.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Motion: Rich Frain Second: Chuck Rodnicki Time: 6:29 p.m.

Board Discussed personnel issues.

Motion to come out of Executive Session:

Motion: Dylan Foster Second: Sherry Tamski Time: 7:02 p.m.

CORRESPONDENCE: Opening bids for ash and ash delivery- Second advertisement.

Motion to award bid to Artman Excavating for the low bid

Motion: Rich Frain Second: Sherry Tamski Opposed: None.

OLD BUSINESS:

Motion to reject bid for Brownstown Paving project from Shields Paving

Motion: Rich Frain Second: Chuck Rodnicki Opposed: None.

Motion to accept the resignation of Officer Chad Shoupe as of 07/13/2022

Motion: Rich Frain Second: Dylan Foster Opposed: None

Motion to hire Jerrilynn Mollick as part time (2-3 days a week)as an administrative/ accounting assistant @18.00 per hour

Motion : Chuck Rodnicki Second: Rich Frain Opposed: Sherry Tamski

Motion to amend estimate for Police dept computer network to add labor of $4906.25 to original estimate, which was an estimate for the hardware only; no labor was included. ARPA funds may be used for this purpose.

Motion: Rich Frain Second: Dylan Foster Opposed: None.

Approve Minutes from Agenda meeting from July 2022

Motion: Rich Frain Second: Sherry Tamski Opposed: None.

Approve Minutes from Regular meeting from July 2022

Motion: Rich Frain Second: Dylan Foster Opposed: None.

Motion to amend the agenda to vote on tire purchase for the Police department for safety reasons-

Motion: Chuck Rodnicki Second: Rich Frain Opposed: None.

Motion to purchase twelve (12) tires at current prices before substantial increase; current price quoted is 160.08 per tire for a total of $1920.96

Motion: Chuck Rodnicki Second: Sherry Tamski Opposed: None.

Motion to print and mail letters to citizens for Planning Commission meetings

Motion: Chuck Rodnicki Second: Sherry Tamski Opposed: None.

Motion to amend the agenda to discuss Memorandum of Understanding from the Police Dept for wage increases for part time and full time Police Officers for hiring purposes.

Motion: Rich Frain Second: Dylan Foster Opposed: None.

Motion to accept Memorandum of Understanding from Chief Bartolicius which states;

Part time police officers hourly wage set to- $22.00 per hour

Full-time Police officer wage set to -$ 27.00 per hour

Police Sergeant Officer wage set to - $28.00 per hour

Motion: Dylan Foster Second: Rich Frain Opposed: None.

Chairman Bash stated for the record “this step will help hire and retain quality officers.”

Motion to amend the agenda for a Police Department vehicle purchase

Motion: Dylan Foster Second: Rich Frain Opposed: none.

Motion to vote for selling of Dodge Durango on Munici Bid and purchase of new police vehicle; (Ford Explorer) with upfit with approved Police dept equipment. ARPA funds will be used for this purpose.

Cost of vehicle: $34,055.00

Cost of upfit- $ 13,342.95

Total cost= $47,397.95

Motion: Sherry Tamski Second: Dylan Foster Opposed: None.

NEW BUSINESS: Schedule Township clean up days for Fall 2022. Recommend last sat in Sept or early October. Salandros is available both weekends, Sept is better.

Motion to have Fall Clean Up days in the Township on Friday, October07, 2022 from 8-4 p.m. and Saturday, October 08, 2022 from 8-12 p.m. used tires accepted for a fee. No Electronics accepted.

Motion: Rich Frain Second: Sherry Tamski Opposed: None.

Motion to sign Resolution 09-2022 Penndot Winter Maintenance approval

Motion: Rich Frain Second: Sherry Tamski Opposed: None.

REPORTS:

Motion to approve the Police report as submitted by Chief Bartolicius

Motion: Mike Bash Second: Chuck Rodnicki Opposed: None.

Motion to approve the Public Works report as submitted by Ron Baker

Motion: Rich Frain Second: Dylan Foster Opposed: None.

Motion to approve Zoning Report as submitted by Rebecca Rupert

Motion: Rich Frain Second: Chuck Rodnicki Opposed: None.

Motion to approve Treasurer’s report as submitted by Patrick Bono

Motion: Rich Frain Second: Dylan Foster Opposed: Sherry Tamski

PUBLIC COMMENT: Carol Wienel questioned timeline for hiring of new Police Officers.

Jim Chikar notified Board about checking Tire manufacture dates before purchasing.

Diane thanked the Board for doing their jobs, and stated shame on the people who are hindering that process.

Taylor Kuntz stated she couldn’t stand the previous Police officer in charge Dessell; stated she was harassed by him. The Board addressed Ms. Kuntz’ concerns.

Diane Tamski stated the wage increase for the police officers is a good move, but not the Township Secretary’s wage.

Mr. Gibbons stated the comments by certain attendees of the meeting are “crazy”.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion: Rich Frain Second: Chuck Rodnicki TIME: 7:43 p.m.

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Patrick J. Bono, MPA

Kiskiminetas Township Secretary/ Treasurer