

TOWNSHIP OF RESERVE
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
SEPTEMBER 9, 2019

The President of the Board, Commissioner Ron Neurohr called the meeting to order on September 9, 2019 at 6:59 pm.

ROLL CALL - Indicated Commissioners Ron Nuerohr, John Kaib, Sharon Sweeney, Dan Giebel, Manager Donna Kaib and Township Solicitor Harlan Stone were present. Roll call indicated all were present except for Commissioner Gary Killmeyer and Engineer Gordon Taylor.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – Commissioner Ron Neurohr reported the Board of Commissioners held an executive session tonight at 6:00 pm., wherein the following topics were discussed: employment and personnel matters, contracts and policies, actual and ongoing litigation as well as potential litigation and identifiable complaints.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA – Commissioner John Kaib made the motion to approve the Approval of Consent Agenda as submitted, with a second by Commissioner Sharon Sweeney. All in favor.

RESOLUTIONS TO BE ADOPTED –

1.) Commissioner Dan Giebel made the motion to approve **Resolution 709-19** Concurring Resolution to enter into GEDF Grant Application, with a second by Commissioner Sharon Sweeney. All in favor.

Manager Donna kaib explained what this grant means and what it is for. GEDF (Gaming Economic Development Fund). Many repair projects rolled into one for the price of \$580,000.00. The grant is for 500,000.00.

ORDINANCES TO BE INTRODUCED - NONE

ORDINANCES TO BE ENACTED - NONE

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

COMMISSIONER SWEENEY – Commissioner Sweeney mentioned the Ross/West View Ambulance services and the meeting they have attended. At the meeting they commented on the lack of money

needed to run this service. The fee is going up \$14,260.00 in the new year. We are billed based on calls and are looking for ways to pay for this increased cost for 2020.

COMMISSIONER KILLMEYER – Absent

COMMISSIONER KAIB – Commissioner Kaib commented on the events coming to the township. The Flea Market 10/19/19, Halloween parade on 10/27/19, Tree Trimming on 11/10/19 and Lunch with Santa on 12/7/19. Also looking for a television disposal and a shredding event that the township can sponsor. Manager Donna Kaib said she could look into it.

COMMISSIONER GIEBEL- None

COMMISSIONER NEUROHR – Commissioner Ron Neurohr commented on the County meeting for Saldo Ordinance Subdivision and Land Ordinance attended by himself, Manager Donna Kaib and 2 representatives from the county to explain the ordinance that we adopted into. The Police and Fireman's report from September was read. Reminder schools are open go SLOW.

MANAGER'S REPORT – Manager Donna Kaib is asking for approval for the Township Liability Insurance in the amount of \$46,814.00. Commissioner John Kaib made the motion to Authorize approval for the Liability Insurance, with a second from Commissioner Dan Giebel. All in favor.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT – No Report

ENGINEER'S REPORT – Manager Donna Kaib on behalf of the Engineer is asking for approval of payment to Iron City Construction in the amount of \$16,315.30 for paving on the Irwin Lane Water Line. Commissioner Sharon Sweeney made to motion to approve the payment to Iron City Construction with a second from Commissioner John Kaib. All in favor

GIRTYS RUN REPORT – Dave Moore Sr. mentioned a rate increase for Girty's Run. The rates have not increased since 2006. Also looking for a replacement for his position, his term is up at the end of this year.

COMMUNICATIONS AND RECOGNITIONS – No Report

OLD BUSINESS – No Report

NEW BUSINESS – Commissioner Neurohr asked for the approval to appoint the New Pension Actuary, Mockenhaupt Benefits Group. Commissioner Sharon Sweeney made the motion to approve the New Pension Actuary, with a second from Commissioner Dan Giebel. All in favor.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

George Shelley of 2063 Pittview Ave asked about the paving to be done on Pittview. Also asking about the lead service lines on East Beckert Ave that feed the houses on Pittview Ave. No one on the board knew of any such lines, Mr. Shelley commented on seeing one behind Horne’s House. It was found to be a service line for the home and has nothing to do with the Townships water lines. Solicitor Harlan Stone commented if lead is detected in the water PWSA may offer to replace the lines or have a program to help in the replacements.

Donna Zivic of 14 Fornof Lane asked how she could find out if she has a lead service line. Commissioner Ron Neurohr mentioned calling a plumber. Manager Donna Kaib said 2 years ago we had 40 homes tested for lead based on the criteria needed. Letters were then sent to the residents who tested high. At this time, we asked for residents to contact us if they felt their lines were lead and we could have had them tested. No one called the Township. We at the Township do have Water pitcher available to filter the tap water.

John Lombardozi of 3012 Mt Troy Rd asked about the status on the Junk Yards violations that needed addresses. Commissioner Ron Neurohr said the Police Chief, Code Enforcement officer and the Solicitor have all been authorized to take all the necessary measures to bring the Junk Yard into compliance. Solicitor Harlan Stone added that the current renter Mr. Stephen Checkack has inherited prior non-conforming use from the old owner. From a zoning perspective he was able to carry on the use of the business from the prior owner. As time has gone on the number of violations brought to the Townships attention has increased. The business is not the same as the old business was. Again, the Police Dept, Code Enforcement officer and solicitor are making all efforts to bring the property into immediate compliance. Mr. Lombardozi question the ownership of the land in front of the junkyard. Solicitor Harlan Stone stated it is a County Road, but we are investigating if that’s a county right of way and is it necessary to keep that clear. Next Mr. Lombardozi asked about the Township Ordinance for the fence needed to cover the Junk Yard, how high the fence will need to be and if shrubbery is needed. Solicitor Harlan Stone said the commissioners have a broad spectrum of the conditions they can enforce. Commissioner Ron Neurohr said they have not spelled anything out but would like the property to be like it was before. Mr. Lombardozi would like the sign in his yard for “No Left hand Turn Down”. He was advised to call the county.

Tom Latwin 107 Arlington asked about the paving dates on Pittview. Manager Donna Kaib said we do not have a date at this time, but we are awaiting a phone call soon. Mr. Latwin mentioned some large potholes to which manager Donna Kaib said we could have our road works dept check on those.

Donna Zivic 14 Fornof Lane asked about the status of the sliding road on Mt Troy. Commissioner Ron Nuerohr stated the County people are telling us we are on the top of the list. She also wanted to mention what a nice time she had at the Guns and Hoses Softball game event.

Dave Moore 3039 Thorn Dr. wanted to comment on how Commissioner Sweeney mentioned the money needed for the Ambulance Service. Well the fire Station is also in need of money for improvements. Mr. Moore stated on they only receive an 18% return on mail fund raising efforts. Only 17-18 % of the resident in the township donate to the fire dept. He is looking for alternate ways to get funding for emergency services.

Jackie Cromeans 2101 Lonsdale St asked if it was possible to convert the money collected for the Shaler wage taxes to the fire Department. Commissioner Ron Neurohr commented that the wage tax is State mandated.

Donna Zivic 14 Fornof Lane do any Municipalities have a mandatory fee for resident for the Fire or Ambulance Services.

EXECUTIVE SESSION ANNOUNCEMENT – Commissioner Neurohr announced the next Public Meeting would be on October 14, 2019.

ADJOURNMENT – There being no further business to discuss, Commissioner Sharon Sweeney moved to adjourn the meeting, with a second by Commissioner John Kaib and carried. All in favor.

The meeting adjourned at 7:53 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Pisanko

