

**TOWNSHIP OF RESERVE  
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING  
September 19th, 2022**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Commissioner Neurohr called the meeting to order on September 19th, 2022, at 7:00 PM.

**ROLL CALL**

Indicated Commissioner Ron Neurohr, Commissioner Dan Giebel (present over the phone), Commissioner John Kaib, Commissioner Sharon Sweeney, Commissioner Ed Vincent, Manager Natalie Thiess, Solicitor Nate Boring and Engineer Gordon Taylor were all present.

**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 Sharon Sweeney made the motion to approve the Consent Agenda as submitted, with a second by Commissioner Ed Vincent. All in favor. Motion carries.

**RESOLUTIONS TO BE ADOPTED**

1. R-744-22 Police Contribution; Pension Plan 2023. Commissioner John Kaib made the motion to legally adopt Resolution 744-22, with a second by Commissioner Sharon Sweeney. All in favor. Motion carries.

**ORDINANCES TO BE INTRODUCED** – None

**ORDINANCES TO BE ENACTED**

1. Ordinance 690: Traffic Control; Commissioner Sharon Sweeney made the motion to approve Ordinance 690: Traffic Control – Listing all the stop signs and where they are in the neighborhood, with a second by Commissioner John Kaib. All in favor. Motion carries.
2. Ordinance 691: Solicitation Amendment; Commissioner Ed Vincent made the motion to approve Ordinance 691, with a second by Commissioner Dan Giebel. All in favor. Motion carries.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**COMMISSIONER SWEENEY** –Commissioner Sweeney reported Ms. Thiess has begun work on the 2023 budget. Upcoming Township events include the Annual Halloween Parade and Lunch with Santa.

**COMMISSIONER VINCENT** – Commissioner Vincent is currently working on the Halloween Parade with Commissioner Sharon Sweeney.

**COMMISSIONER KAIB** – Commissioner Kaib commended the road crew with the prompt responses to the water main breaks in the township.

**COMMISSIONER GIEBEL** –Commissioner Giebel agreed with Commissioner Kaib; commended the road crew for promptly fixing the water main breaks.

**COMMISSIONER NEUROHR**- Commissioner Neurohr read the Police report. Commissioner Neurohr announced that Commissioner Giebel requested to step down from Public Safety at this time, temporarily, due to health concerns. Commissioner Kaib will take over Public Safety.

## **MANAGER’S REPORT**

1. Ms. Thiess asked for a motion to approve/ deny the snow and ice agreement of Allegheny County; with a 3% increase. Commissioner Sharon Sweeney made the motion to approve the snow and ice agreement, with a second by Commissioner Ron Neurohr. All in favor. Motion carries.
2. Ms. Thiess provided the Commissioners with the PA code to establish a School Zone on Lonsdale.
3. Ms. Thiess completed the legal analysis of the 3 general codes which can be found online for viewing.
4. Ms. Thiess has balanced the 2023 fund, except for the sewer fund.
5. Ms. Thiess announced the Haser Plan, Geyer Road development public meeting was held the week of September 12<sup>th</sup>. The county has 60 days for approval or denial for this pre-application.
6. Ms. Thiess announced the Shields 2022 paving project will start this week, and they are going to mill all the streets and then come back and pave. Joyce, Wohleber and Karen and various locations throughout the township from water main breaks.
7. Ms. Thiess announced administrative staff resignations. Karen Henschel, the Treasurer/ Secretary of the Township; Lisa Pisanko, the Water Clerk of the Township; and herself, Natalie Thiess, the Manager of the Township.

**SOLICITOR'S REPORT** - None**ENGINEER'S REPORT**

1. Mr. Taylor received an email from Shields stating that the milling will begin on Wednesday September 21<sup>st</sup>, and then paving will take place Thursday and Friday.

**GIRTYS RUN REPORT**- None

**COMMUNICATIONS AND RECOGNITIONS** – Ms. Thiess would like to recognize the administrative staff and their hard work.

**OLD BUSINESS** - None**NEW BUSINESS**

1. Commissioner Neurohr requested the motion to approve the Manager to engage 3<sup>rd</sup> party administrative support services for finance and billing services. Commissioner Kaib made the motion to approve with a second by Commissioner Sharon Sweeney. All in favor. Motion carries.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**–**Dan Cromeans 2101 Lonsdale St.**

Mr. Cromeans extended thanks to the Chief and the Police Officers of Reserve for their presence with a dangerous intersection. Mr. Cromeans is concerned with what is happening in the Township regarding the staff resignations. Mr. Cromeans voiced an opinion saying Commissioner Giebel should have stepped down a long time ago due to not being present at meetings.

**Robert Stephens 309 Faber St.**

Mr. Stephens had a question regarding public safety - What is the time frame for Commissioner Giebel to return to the Public Safety chair; Commissioner Neurohr said at this time it is indefinite due to health concerns. Mr. Stephens wanted to know why there was a 4 to 1 vote for Chief Etherington; Majority ruled in the favor of Chief Etherington.

**Eric Bittner 3353 Spring Garden Rd.**

Mr. Bittner thanked the Police for their presence on Spring Garden Rd. and informed the Commissioners that Global Industrial is currently fixing what they damaged to his neighbor's property, and they are working with him. Mr. Bittner expressed concerns with the Bus stop at the bottom of Beech St. and states that it is unsafe. Mr. Bittner brought up the flooding on Spring Garden and states the County needs to correct this issue.

Commissioner Neurohr

Mr. Neurohr announced with deepest sympathy the passing of a former Crossing Guard, Marie Brittner.

**EXT PUBLIC MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT** – Mr. Neurohr announced the next public meeting would be on Monday, October 17th, 2022, at 7PM.

**ADJOURNMENT** – There being no further business to discuss, Commissioner Kaib moved to adjourn the meeting, with a second by Commissioner Vincent. All in favor.

The meeting adjourned at 7:35 PM

Respectfully submitted,

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Mia Shores, Secretary

APPROVED