

SHOHOLA TOWNSHIP Board of Supervisors

George C. Fluhr, Gregory P. Hoeper, Keith W. Raser Municipal Building 159 Twin Lakes Road Shohola PA 18458

January 7, 2019

ATTENDANCE:

 Supervisors; Chairman Keith Raser, Vice-Chair George C. Fluhr, Supervisor, Gregory P. Hoeper, and Solicitor, Jason Ohliger, Secretary, Diana Blume and all other on the attached list.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER at 7:57pm.

Meeting was opened and allowed DA Ray Tonkin to speak to the Board with regards to hiring of a new Detective to handle the Drug Task Force and ask that all Pike County Townships to join forces with the DA in order to help fund this position. **Motion to donate \$2475.00 to the District Attorney for funding of the new position, made by Supervisor Hoeper, second by Vice-Chair Fluhr, motion carried.**

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

• **Motion** to approve minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board on December 13, 2018, made by, **Vice-Chair Fluhr**, **second by Chairman Raser**, **motion carried**.

APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURES:

• Motion to approve the list of expenditures for December 2018, made by, Chairman Raser, second by Supervisor Hoeper, motion carried.

APPROVAL OF TREASURERS REPORT:

• No Treasurers Report for January due to the fact that no bank statements have been received in time for this meeting.

PLANNING COMMISSION:

• **Aaron Robinson:** advised the Board that the Planning Committee will be working to revise the Zoning Ordinance to include some items that need to be added since the implementation in 2015. We will be working under the deadline of the UDC Grant which helps cover the costs of the Solicitor and the Planning Committee Secretary.

SOLICITORS REPORT

• Executive Session

Motion to go into executive session to discuss potential litigation at 8:22pm. Reconvened at 8:35pm

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

• February Thaw will be held on February 9th. Please be sure to see someone from the fire department for tickets since there will be no tickets sold at the door.

OLD BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

- Act 44 Disclosure Statement for Pension: **Motion to adopt** the Act 44 Pension Trust Disclosure provided by PSATS as the Disclosure Statement of Shohola Township, **made by Vice-Chair Fluhr**, **second by Chairman Raser**, **motion carried**.
- Actuary Charges: **Motion** to elect Actuary payments to be withdrawn from the assets of each Pension Plan, made by **Vice-Chair Fluhr**, **second by Supervisor Hoeper**, **motion carried**.
- Advertise Bid for Police Vehicles: Motion to authorize the Secretary to advertise the sale of Police Vehicles for sale in the Township designated Newspapers, made by Chairman Raser, second by Supervisor Hoeper, motion carried.
- Fee Schedule for Zoning and Building Hearing Board: **Tabled**
- **Motion to** Adopt the Revised Budget removing the Police Departments income and expenses, **made by Chairman Raser**, **second Vice-Chair Fluhr**, **motion carried**.

REPORTS TO THE BOARD

- Sewage/Zoning 3 Zoning Permits, 2 Sewage Permits issued in December, 2018.
- Building Permits 5 Residential issued in December, 2018.
- Road Department- We are working on Truck and Building Maintenance.
- Park Committee Diana advised the Board that the Park Committee will start working on their Annual Flyer.
- Fire Department For 2018 the Department was dispatched to 204 calls; 43 of those calls were for mutual aid; members put in over 500 hours in training, maintenance, fire prevention and community events; and the Department raised \$126,757.41 combined in grants and fund raisers.

CORRESPONDENCE

Letter from Milford Boro Mayor Sean Strub.

SUPERVISORS COMMENTS:

Chairman Raser: advised the public that there will be a final meeting with Commonwealth Health regarding the new ambulance service. They are hoping for a start date on February 1, 2019. The plan is to put one unit in Milford Boro for the next 6 months to determine the needs of the community.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

 Aaron Robinson: Asked if the Townships Pension Plan is a Defined Benefit or Defined Contribution. Secretary Blume advised Mr. Robinson that it was a Defined Benefit.

- **Carrie Thomas:** Asked the Board to start thinking in terms of the future for Shohola and begin to consider a Township Manager and stop thinking about today, but start looking forward to when all those who are currently employed will no longer be here.
- **John Hahn:** Asked the question as to how many people will be employed by Commonwealth Health and were they will station the initial ambulance.
- Motion to adjourn made by Chairman Hoeper, second by Supervisor Fluhr at 8:55pm

Respectfully Submitted by:

Diana Blume Township Secretary