

Regular Monthly Meeting
March 12, 2020

The regular monthly meeting of the Shenango Township Board of Supervisors was held on Thursday, March 12, 2020, at 6:10 p.m. at the Shenango Township Municipal Building, with Supervisors Frank Augustine, Albert Burick, III, and Brandon Rishel present.

Present at the Meeting:

Barbara Thompson
Karen Morrone

Bill Cheslock
Roy George

The meeting was called to order and opened with a salute to the flag.

Mr. Augustine announced that the supervisors held an executive session regarding legal matters prior to the meeting tonight.

Motion by Mr. Burick second by Mr. Rishel to approve the minutes of the Special Meeting of February 13, 2020, Ordinance #1 of 2020. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Burick second by Mr. Rishel to approve the minutes of the Regular Monthly Meeting of February 13, 2020. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Burick second by Mr. Rishel to approve the minutes of the Conditional Use Hearing of March 2, 2020. Motion carried.

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Staff Reports:

Fire Chief David Rishel thanked everyone for all the well wishes during his recent medical situation, and gave the monthly Fire Department report, saying last month was the lowest number of calls in one month in three years and the year 2019 had a record number of calls of 641.

Mr. Augustine thanked the police department as well as all other emergency services and anyone else involved for the quick response in the recent emergency situation in Shenango Township.

Public Comment:

Barbara Thompson, Boyd School Road, said that all the lights on the bypass are now on. Mr. Rishel said they have all been fixed. Mr. Augustine said the contract that she has been referring to is for the signal lights. Ms. Thompson spoke about the condition of Old Pittsburgh Road from the paving that was done and the material that is getting on vehicles. Mr. Rishel advised her to contact Youngblood Paving regarding her vehicle and said that Youngblood Paving will be taking care of the roads that require additional work and it will be at their expense. Ms. Thompson asked why there is not an urgent care in Shenango Township. The supervisors explained the effort that has been made to get an urgent care in the township and what the hurdles are to accomplish their goals.

Karen Morrone, Links Drive, on behalf of Shenango Greens, spoke about the parking problem on Links Drive. Mr. Perrotta explained the parking ordinance and a discussion ensued regarding the issue.

Bill Cheslock, Old Princeton Road, asked if the township can tax any of the mining operations. Mr. Rishel said there is limited taxation. Mr. Augustine said there would be no wage tax because their main payroll office is located outside of the township.

Roy George, Shenango Stop Road, asked about signage on Shenango Stop Road. Mr. Burick said there must be an engineered study before any other signage can be put on that road.

Public Relations & Announcements:

Mr. Rishel said Old Pittsburgh Road was reopened today, the townships' bill is going to be less than \$50,000, with DEP paying for the asphalt, and it will be a single-lane use until a guiderail is installed. Mr. Burick said the road is going to be resurfaced soon.

Mr. Burick announced that the Easter Egg Hunt has been cancelled for this year due to the COVID-19 outbreak.

Action Items:

Motion by Mr. Rishel second by Mr. Burick to approve payment of the General Fund expenses of \$57,251.75. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Rishel second by Mr. Burick to approve payment of the Fire Tax Fund expenses of \$3,986.77. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Rishel second by Mr. Burick to approve payment of the Capital Fund expenses of \$25,352.00. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Burick second by Mr. Rishel to approve payment of the Liquid Fuel Fund expenses of \$40,932.56. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Burick second by Mr. Rishel to approve payment of the Payroll Fund expenses of \$91,036.21. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Rishel second by Mr. Burick to approve for the purchase of 20 acres (Tax ID #31-241000, 31-240900) at a cost of \$125,000.00. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Burick second by Mr. Rishel to approve for advertisement of the 2020 Summer Paving Project. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Rishel second by Mr. Burick to approve for a 30-day extension of the temporary employee status for Jeremy Baeckel. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Rishel second by Mr. Burick to approve for a 30-day extension of the temporary employee status for Daniel Price. Motion carried.

Ordinances: None

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Motion by Mr. Burick second by Mr. Rishel to approve the Final Plan Subdivision/Lot Consolidation for Kalajainen Family Trust and Andrew B. Bruno. Motion carried.

Resolutions:

Motion by Mr. Rishel second by Mr. Burick to approve Resolution #10 of 2020 – DCNR Grant. Motion carried.

Discussion:

A discussion was held at this time regarding a possible Residential Tax Abatement.

Mr. Perrotta explained the General Obligation Bond Series 2011.

Mr. Perrotta explained the Cable Franchise Agreement.

Mr. Burick explained Vacant Commercial Property Registration.

The supervisors at this time discussed Interim Tax Billing.

Mr. Burick said the township building will be open to the public tomorrow. Mr. Rishel said the supervisors will be closely monitoring PEMA and the CDC.

Motion by Mr. Augustine second by Mr. Burick to adjourn.

Meeting adjourned at 7:33 p.m.