

**MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR MEETING of the
JENKINS TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

October 11th, 2017 at 7:00 P.M.

Mr. Stanley Rovinski called the Meeting to order at 7:05 P.M. Everyone joined in the pledge of allegiance.

Roll call was taken: Stanley E. Rovinski –Chairman, Joseph Sperrazza -Vice Chairman, Robert Linskey-Secretary/Treasurer, Charles G. Ross Jr., Esq.-Solicitor, and Barbara Fairchild–Township Manager were all present.

Mr. Rovinski asked the public if they wished to address the Board of Supervisors regarding any items placed on the agenda for this meeting and/or any general municipal business. He asked the public who wished to address them to sign the sheet clearly with name, address and phone number. He asked that all electronic devices be turned off during the meeting.

Public Comments or concerns:

- Jim McLaughlin, 280 Westminster Rd.-He requested an update on IDC for the water that was running down to his property seems to have stopped since DEP took all of the samples near the hot zone area that ties into Whispering Woods. He spoke to the biologist who said the test results should be available in two weeks for arsenic lead and other chemicals they found. He asked if we heard from DEP or anyone about why the water has stopped and did they do something else in order to divert the water or not. Mr. Sperrazza said our test results we took for arsenic, fluorine, lead have not come back yet either. Ms. Fairchild spoke to Heather Graham but she did not have any update to provide today. Mr. Linskey asked Ms. Fairchild to follow up with the DEP & Luzerne Co. Conservation District and to provide the contact information to Mr. McLaughlin for these agencies.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion to approve the Minutes for the Regular Meeting held on September 13th, 2017.

Motion by Mr. Linskey

Second by Mr. Sperrazza

Roll Call: Mr. Sperrazza - Yes

Mr. Linskey- Yes

Mr. Rovinski- Yes

CORRESPONDENCE

Motion to accept the correspondence presented to the Board of Supervisors prior to the meeting and to place them on file.

Motion by Mr. Sperrazza

Second by Mr. Rovinski

Roll Call: Mr. Sperrazza - Yes

Mr. Linskey- Yes

Mr. Rovinski- Yes

REPORTS

Motion to accept the September 2017 Department Reports presented to the Board of Supervisors prior to the meeting and to place them on file. Reports included:

Building Inspector ✓
Fire Chief ✓
Planning Commission ✓
Zoning Officer ✓

Tax Collector ✓
Police Chief ✓
Crime Watch ✓
Code Enforcement Office ✓

Motion by Mr. Linskey
Roll Call: Mr. Sperrazza- Yes

Second by Mr. Sperrazza
Mr. Linskey-Yes Mr. Rovinski- Yes

RATIFICATION AND APPROVAL OF PAYMENT OF BILLS

Motion to ratify the payment of monthly bills for September 2017 in the amount of \$218,487.09 from the General Fund.

Motion Mr. Sperrazza Second by Mr. Linskey
Roll Call: Mr. Sperrazza - Yes Mr. Linskey- Yes Mr. Rovinski- Yes

Motion to ratify the transfer of Twenty Eight Thousand Five Hundred Twenty One Dollars and .70 cents (\$28,521.70) from the General Fund to the Payroll Fund for Payroll # 20 of 2017, Twenty Nine Thousand One Hundred Eighteen Dollars and .33 cents (\$29,122.61) from the General Fund to the Payroll Fund for Payroll # 21 of 2017.

Motion by Mr. Linskey Second by Mr. Sperrazza
Roll Call: Mr. Sperrazza - Yes Mr. Linskey- Yes Mr. Rovinski- Yes

READING OF THE TREASURER'S REPORT-Read by Mr. Linskey.

Motion by Mr. Rovinski Second by Mr. Sperrazza
Roll Call: Mr. Sperrazza - Yes Mr. Linskey-Yes Mr. Rovinski- Yes

UNFINISHED BUSINESS –Nothing at this time

NEW BUSINESS

Motion to hire Joseph Chiumento at \$14.00/hr. as a part time fire fighter on an as needed basis.

Motion Mr. Sperrazza Second by Mr. Linskey
Roll Call: Mr. Sperrazza - Yes Mr. Linskey- Yes Mr. Rovinski- Yes

Motion to accept the change order of \$52,361.40 for the Municipal building improvements.

Motion by Mr. Linskey Second by Mr. Sperrazza
Roll Call: Mr. Sperrazza - Yes Mr. Linskey- Yes Mr. Rovinski- Yes

Motion to Pass Resolution # 19 of 2017 and accept the September 15, 2017 update for the Jenkins Township Luzerne County Emergency Operations Plan. The Promulgation will be signed by the Board of Supervisors.

Motion Mr. Sperrazza Second by Mr. Linskey
Roll Call: Mr. Sperrazza - Yes Mr. Linskey- Yes Mr. Rovinski- Yes

Motion to pass Resolution #20 of 2017 Designation of the National Incident Management System (NIMS) as the basis for all incident management.

Motion Mr. Linskey Second by Mr. Sperrazza
Roll Call: Mr. Sperrazza - Yes Mr. Linskey- Yes Mr. Rovinski- Yes

Motion to ratify the approval for the estimate for the handicap entrance installation from Stanley Access Technologies for \$4,815.00.

Motion Mr. Sperrazza Second by Mr. Linskey
Roll Call: Mr. Sperrazza - Yes Mr. Linskey- Yes Mr. Rovinski- Yes

Motion to accept the letter of resignation from Frank Vaxmonsky.

Motion Mr. Linskey Second by Mr. Sperrazza
Roll Call: Mr. Sperrazza - Yes Mr. Linskey- Yes Mr. Rovinski- Yes

Mr. Sperrazza asked if he could make a motion to hire Glace Associates for the preparation for the E & S plan for the landfill required by Luzerne Co. Conservation District.

Motion Mr. Sperrazza Second by Mr. Linskey
Roll Call: Mr. Sperrazza - Yes Mr. Linskey- Yes Mr. Rovinski- Yes

Ms. Fairchild asked if the board would address the recent correspondence from Guzek for Acton Technologies regarding the DEP request for comments to be submitted within 30 days from October 6, 2017 correspondence and ask for a hearing.

Mr. Sperrazza made a motion to advertise for a Public Hearing and have ACTON present.

Motion Mr. Sperrazza Second Mr. Linskey
Roll Call: Mr. Sperrazza-YesMr. Linskey-Yes Mr. Rovinski-Yes

Mr. Rovinski proceeded to read the ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- A. The Jenkins Township Board of Supervisors Regular Meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 08, 2017 at 7:00 P.M.**
- B. The Jenkins Township Crime Watch will meet on Wednesday, October 18th, 2017 at 7:00 P.M.**

- C. **The Jenkins Township Planning Commission will meet on Thursday, October 19th, 2017 at 7:30 P.M.**
- D. **Paper Shredding Event on Saturday, October 14, 2017 from 9:00 A.M. to 12:00 Noon.**
- E. **The Halloween Party is October 28, 2017 from 10:00 A.M. to 12:00 Noon.**
- F. **The Municipal Office will be closed in Observance of Election Day on Tuesday, November 7, 2017 and Veteran's Day and on Friday November 10, 2017.**

Mr. Rovinski asked if the Board members had any other comments.

Mr. Linskey reported the Police regionalization with Jenkins Township, Pittston Township, Dupont Borough, Lafin Borough and Yatesville Borough cannot feasibly work since they received notice that Dupont cannot remain a part of it. The costs are too much to bear. Since this change developed we reached out to Laflin Borough to discuss forming another option to have Jenkins Twp., Laflin Borough and Yatesville Borough form Police regionalization between these municipalities. Mr. Lello from Dupont said he reached out to the state to seek approval to transfer the remaining balance of the grant of approximately \$60,000 to Jenkins Twp. for these municipalities to continue their efforts for a regional plan. We also have a grant of \$200,000.00 for various equipment, \$80,000.00 for two police vehicles, and hopefully \$50,000.00 to be used toward the chief's salary for up to three years.

The goal is to have the effort for this regionalization to take place for January 1, 2018.

We would hire two additional police officers ad a PT clerical position to assist with payroll, budget, etc. We will be making a presentation to Laflin Borough but we are waiting for a date.

Mr. Rovinski thanked Mr. Linskey for his hard work throughout this process and for doing a good job.

Motion to adjourn at 7:25 P.M.

Motion by Mr. Sperrazza

Second by Mr. Linskey

Roll Call: Mr. Sperrazza - Yes

Mr. Linskey- Yes

Mr. Rovinski- Yes

Respectfully submitted by



Barbara Fairchild, Township Manager