

**West Vincent Township
Board of Supervisors Meeting**

March 4, 2019 7:00 PM

Attendance: Chairman, John Jacobs; Vice Chairman, Mike Schneider; Member Bernie Couris; Erica Batdorf, Township Manager; Kathryn Shillenn, Township Secretary

Chairman Jacobs called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Chairman Jacobs announced an Executive Session was held on 3/4/19 at 6:30 p.m. regarding a Police Matter.

MOTION by Mr. Schneider to approve the minutes of February 19, 2019; second by Mr. Couris.

There being no comments or questions on the minutes, *Motion carries unanimously.*

REPORTS:

Manager's Report: Ms. Batdorf gave her report. In February there was an update of the Phoenixville Regional Comprehensive Plan. Chief Swinger and she met with the Township's HOA's recently to better interact and meet their needs. It is a difficult time right now for potholes; call the township, if you see any, so that we can get the potholes on the list to be fixed and if it's a state road, call 1.800.FIX.ROAD. The Elected Auditor's Meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 5th at 5:00 PM and the Environmental Advisory Committee will now be meeting at 7:00 PM on the first Thursday of the month. There was a pre-construction meeting for the WaWa; the construction will be starting within the next two to three weeks, weather dependent. In the Finance Dept., the year-to-date actual January 2019 Budget and Treasurer's Report were completed and the 2018 Audit is nearing completion. For Public Works, general maintenance of township road and vehicles, weather events and coordination of the implementation of the Road Program for projects to go out to bid have been worked on and Road Master, Reggie Roy, will be starting on 3/11/19.

Mr. Jacobs commented that when Beaver Hill Road is plowed, within days the potholes keep coming back.

Sara Shick, 1201 Davis Lane commented that she thought the township staff received CPR training. Also, since Mr. Jacobs mentioned a roller did we not facilitate getting a roller?

Brian Curry, 512 Blackhorse Road commented that the Auditor's Meeting is supposed to be the beginning of January; it's now March. What happened?

Bills List:

MOTION by Mr. Schneider to approve the Bills List, dated March 4, 2019, in the amount of \$115,940.95; second by Mr. Couris.

Brian Curry, 512 Blackhorse Road stated that he sent in a list of questions to Ms. Batdorf and he appreciates the responses. Regarding the question about the new alternators for trucks two and three; the response was that we received a new alternator and a spare. We got them from Trap

Generator Service. Is there some reason why we are stocking a spare rather than Trap Generator? Also, Greiner – 23 tons of dirt for haul and disposal for \$3,300. The response he received was that there was a conflict with the previous hauler. What was the conflict?

Pieter Ouwerkerk, 11 Springlea Lane asked why we have a spare alternator for the truck. Does the road crew do their own mechanical work?

There being no additional comments or questions on the bills list, *Motion carries unanimously.*

Treasurer's Report – Ms. Batdorf reviewed the Treasurer's Report. As a note on Open Space for Bryan Coed, the plans for demolition will be going out to bid soon.

John Eldridge, 1634 Hilltop Road commented that in the General Fund, the net loss is \$240,000 and the budget for the month was \$9,000. We lost \$230,000 more than budgeted in one month. Mr. Eldridge also noted some smaller details such as engineering being 100% over budget and legal about 20% over budget. Ms. Batdorf stated that regarding engineering, some of that cost was for the French Creek Culvert Repair; it will go up again with road projects this year.

Brian Curry, 512 Blackhorse Road commented on last year's discussion about the number of bank accounts. Are the interest earnings doing better since accounts have been moved around?

Announcements: None

Correspondence: None

Presentation:

Subdivision/Land Development: None

Old Business:

New Business:

Approval of Resolution No. 10 – Municipal Endorsement of Landscapes 3 – MOTION by Mr. Schneider to approve Resolution No. 10 – Municipal Endorsement of Landscapes 3; second by Mr. Couris.

Ms. Batdorf explained why the County is looking for the Township's endorsement of Landscapes 3.

There being no comments or questions, *Motion carries unanimously.*

Authorization to Participate in Costars Salt Procurement Program 2019-2020 – MOTION by Mr. Schneider to authorize participation in the Costars Salt Procurement Program 2019-2020; second by Mr. Couris.

Ms. Batdorf explained that this will be for the same totals as last year; it is just the standard procurement.

Brian Curry, 512 Blackhorse Road stated that in the past the township participated with other people for salt. Have we looked at different suppliers?

There being no other comments or questions, *Motion carries unanimously.*

Authorization to Advertise for Road Materials Bid – MOTION by Mr. Schneider to authorize advertisement for the Road Materials Bid; second by Mr. Couris.

Ms. Batdorf explained the bid. We've done some price checking and have removed the anti-skid and the crushed concrete. The bid is for 2A modified stone and the haul and disposal of dirt.

Sara Shick, 1201 Davis Lane asked where the crushed concrete will be stored.

There being no other comments or questions, *Motion carries unanimously.*

Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items:

Maria Jacobs, 2351 Beaver Hill Road commented on the question that Brian made about the interest made in pulling the accounts together. When did you start to pull the accounts together?

Mr. Schneider asked about the reserves that John brought up and if Ms. Batdorf has had a chance to speak with the auditors about the way the township does it.

Sara Shick, 1201 Davis Lane asked if the \$13,000 in interest was on the \$7 Million. Why did it take so long to get the money into better accounts?

John Eldridge, 1634 Hilltop Road commented the \$4 million was moved in April or May of last year.

Brian Curry, 512 Blackhorse Road commented on the Treasurer's Report and statements and one thing that it tends to have is explanatory notes; maybe additional notes are needed.

Jane Altmann, 276 Blackhorse Road, thanked the board for putting up the electronic speed sign on Blackhorse Road, but it is posted where there is no speed limit sign. She would like to have it posted where the speed limit sign is.

There being no further discussion, the **MOTION** to adjourn was brought forward by Mr. Schneider; second by Mr. Couris. *Motion carries unanimously.*

Meeting adjourned at 7:39 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Kathryn Shillenn
Township Secretary