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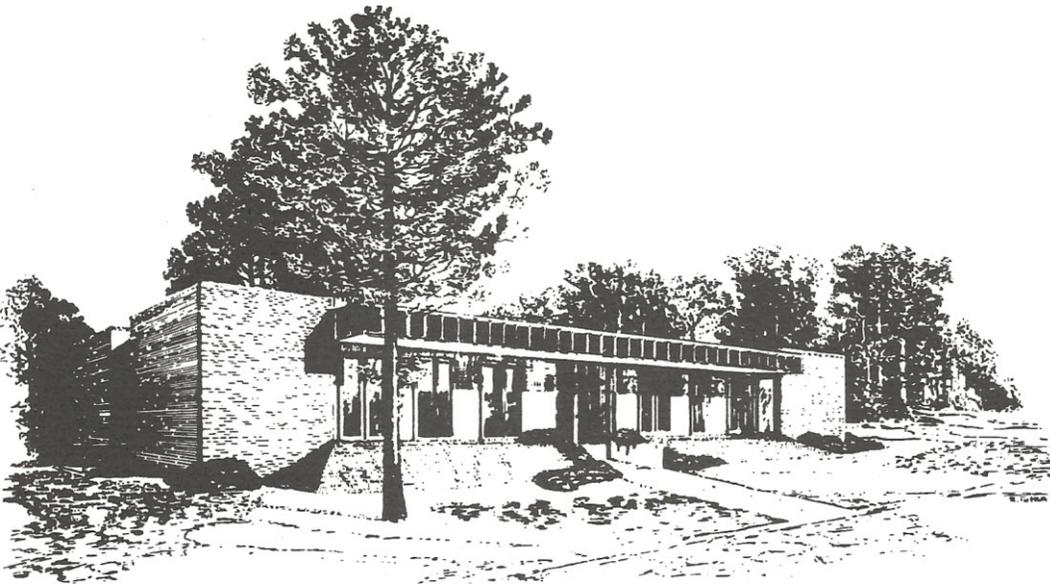
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Township Secretary



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Township of Harrison Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting

November 19, 2018

Harrison Township Board of Commissioners Regular Public Meeting was called to order at 7:30pm, November 19, 2018 by Chairman Heasley.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The minutes of the previous meeting will be posted on the Harrison Township website.

Roll Call—Commissioners Bergstrom; Dizard; Heasley; Lilly; and Poston were present. Solicitor Chuck Means and Engineer Ray Antonelli were present.

REMARKS FROM VISITORS

Rich Osiecki: Davis Street, stated he was appalled by the mailing received stating the Harrison Township Board of Commissioners supported Frank Dermody. He felt with all the work done by Josh Nulph, he did not deserve this treatment. Mr. Poston explained that Mr. Dermody has been a friend to Harrison and brought a lot of money into the Township. He said, 'we won't sell out for an Easter Egg Hunt'. Mr. Osiecki again expressed that he felt the board was despicable. Mr. Heasley assured the audience that each Commissioner had personally spoken to Mr. Nulph about the situation, and he understood.

Joe Imm: Chestnut Street, reported that the sewers are finally complete and everything fine. He thanked the Commissioners and the Township Engineer.

Norbert Cieslinski: Sylvan Avenue, questioned whether permits have been issued for road openings. He stated that the Superintendent of Public Works and the Township Engineer are responsible for issuing permits and collecting fees. Mr. Cieslinski asked: Where are the records? Where are the fees? Who is keeping them? The Commissioners were unsure as to any of the information. Mr. Antonelli stated that he has no knowledge of road opening procedures in Harrison Township and is not involved in the process. He spoke of other municipalities and how they handle the situation. He would like to see improvements in the process. Mr. Antonelli said he could not speak to the fees; but surmised that the Executive Secretary handled it. Mr. Cieslinski noted that the fee in 2014 was \$30/sq yd and with the amount of work being done, there should be a substantial amount of revenue. Mr. Dizard stated there is a 2019 budget revenue line item of \$1000. Mr. Poston stated that he did not want to spend 30-45 minutes discussing this and that Mr. Heasley would investigate the situation.

Mr. Glogowski: 3rd Street, requested a refund of fees for the Building Permit and Zoning Certificate for the deck he added. Both, Mr. Antonelli and Ms. Fraser explained the invoice and fees to Mr. Glogowski. The fees charged by NIRA are regulated by a contract negotiated with the Commissioners. The Zoning Certificate fee was \$40.00. Mr. Lilly will review the fees for Mr. Glogowski.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Fire and Property and Grants: Ms. Bergstrom

Citizens Hose Fire Company had 24 fire calls; 279 EMS calls.

Harrison Hills Fire Company had 19 fire calls and 20 hours of training. They have received a grant for \$100,000 and are receiving bids to reinforce the floor to support their new truck.

Applications are being processed for the \$300 tax credit.

The concession stand construction is close to being finished.

Bids will begin in January for handicapped ramps.

Mr. Antonelli was not able to assess the footbridge situation due to the weather.

Tom Cajka met with the Western PA Conservancy to discuss the storm water infrastructure project. 5 sites are being evaluated at this time. A presentation will be given on December 13, 2018.

A grant for the Viking Walking Trail was not awarded to Harrison, but we will apply again.

Mr. Osiecki asked about the Harrison Honor Roll reconditioning. He received a bid from Morrow's Masonry and left it with Ms. Payne. Mr. Poston stated he had never received it but will look in her office. Mr. Dizard added that there is \$30,000 in the 2019 for the project.

Finance: Chuck Dizard

The November bills for general supplies are \$77,391.83. A motion was made by Mr. Poston; seconded by Mr. Lilly; and passed unanimously to pay this amount.

The board was asked to ratify bills for \$166,125.49 which includes Worker's Compensation, Property & Liability insurance, and the street sweeper payments. Mr. Poston created a motion that was seconded by Mr. Lilly and was carried unanimously to ratify the bills.

A motion was made by Mr. Poston; seconded by Mr. Lilly and passed to pay the bill of \$28,099.62 for liquid fuel & salt.

The bond account is \$9,395.80.

The Christmas tree is scheduled to be moved and placed on November 23, 2018. Beaverjack will set the tree at 12:00pm at OLMBS.

Public Safety: William Poston

Police report

250	Phone calls to records office	67	Traffic violations
362	Support & service calls	13	Non-Traffic violations
18	Traffic accidents	1	Ordinance violations
8	Adult Misdemeanor/Felony arrests	54	Parking violations
Total receipts \$3205.90;		Total disbursements \$657.64	

The department has received a donation of \$50 from Josh Nulph to recognize the efforts of Miss Kathleen Bastine and her lemonade stand.

A letter from Chief Klein was sent to Benjamin Horneman for his achievement as an Eagle Scout.

Officer Hanzlik received a thank you letter from 7-year-old Michelle Z for the birthday gift. She wrote that she looked up to him.

Public Works: William Heasley

Cracks were repaired on 15 streets, using 3 tar pallets.

Lawn and leaf bags are being picked up.

Catch basins were installed.

400 tons of salt was used.

Zoning and Ordinance: Gary Lilly

This month 32 inspections were done, with 24 passing and 11 failing, generating \$1,550.

There were 85 complaints this month, including of 18 Accumulation; 1 Demolition candidate; 9 High Grass and Weeds; 13 Maintenance; 12 Unregistered Rentals; & 8 Vacant Properties.

Township Engineer: Ray Antonelli

Highlights are:

31 Linden Street bids have been received and Ron Gillette was the lowest bid at \$30,914. The Township Solicitor will work to get money back from the insurer of one of the properties. A motion made by Mr. Dizard and seconded by Mr. Lilly to accept Mr. Gillette's bid was passed unanimously.

The rear porch at 998 Ivanhoe has collapsed. It is now less of a hazard. The Solicitor has resent notice to an additional address.

NEW BUSINESS

Chairman Heasley introduced Resolution No. 1814-Appointing Richard Hill to the position of Township Manager. A motion to accept was made by Mr. Lilly; seconded by Mr. Dizard passed without descent.

Resolution No. 1815- Appoint Richard Hill as the Harrison Township Local Service Tax Collector and Chief Administrative Officer for the Police Pension and Non-Uniformed Pension Plans and removing Edward Kirkwood as the Harrison Township Local Service Tax Collector and Chief Administrative Officer for the Police Pension and Non-Uniformed Pension Plans was put into Motion by Mr. Dizard; seconded by Mr. Poston and passed without opposition.

A motion made by Mr. Dizard; seconded by Ms. Bergstrom passed to repeal Ordinance No. 1959, Chapter 17 and replace it with Ordinance 2001, replacing storm water management.

The 4th quarter allocations to each fire company was approved after a motion by Ms. Bergstrom and a second by Mr. Dizard.

The Burtner House Committee was granted use of the Meeting Room for their 2019 meetings by a unanimous vote on a motion made by Mr. Dizard and seconded by Mr. Lilly.

Ms. Bergstrom made a motion to appoint Mr. Hill as the Right to Know Officer for Harrison Township. Mr. Lilly seconded, and the motion passed.

Mr. Dizard moved, and Mr. Poston seconded to accept the South Hills Area Council of Governments Gasoline and Diesel Fuel Bid. The motion passed.

The following reappointments will be effective January 1, 2019 by a unanimous vote on a motion made by Mr. Poston and seconded by Ms. Bergstrom

Michael Tatusko	3-year term:	Zoning Hearing Board
George Conroy	5-year term:	Water Authority
Charles Dizard	5-year term:	Sewer Authority
Patricia Babinsak	1-year term:	Tree Committee

Thomas Cajka	1-year term:	Tree Committee
Alvin Miller	1-year term:	Tree Committee
Anthony Resnick	1-year term:	Tree Committee
Robin Bergstrom	1-year term:	Tree Committee
George Conroy	1-year term:	Vacancy Committee

Appointment to the Civil Service Commission for a 6-year term was tabled until the December 13, 2018 meeting. Mr. Dizard stated that for future committee openings, there will be an application on the Township website. The applications will be kept on file.

A motion was made by Mr. Dizard; seconded by Mr. Lilly and passed unanimously for Resolution No. 1816-Designating a public depository and authorizing withdrawal of municipal public monies.

Ordinance No. 2002-the first reading of the 2019 Budget was adopted after a motion by Mr. Dizard, and a second by Ms. Bergstrom. The 2019 Budget will be placed on display in the lobby and at the front desk until December 14, 2018. The Board will discuss and make any necessary changes

Ordinance No. 2003-the 2019 Tax Levy, on first reading was adopted after a motion by Mr. Dizard, and a second by Ms. Bergstrom, and a unanimous vote.

A motion to authorize advertising the Intergovernmental Cooperation Ordinance was made by Mr. Dizard, seconded by Ms. Bergstrom and passed without opposition.

Resolution No. 1817-Amending the Harrison Township Personnel Manual was passed unanimously after a motion by Mr. Dizard and second by Mr. Poston.

A motion by Mr. Dizard, second by Mr. Poston passed without opposition to accept Resolution No. 1818-Requesting the assistance of the Allegheny County Economic Development to assist with the Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program Grant.

Resolution No. 1819: Appointing a Township Auditor for 2018 was passed unanimously after a motion by Ms. Bergstrom and a second by Mr. Lilly.

A proclamation was presented to Benjamin Horneman at his Eagle Scout banquet by Mr. Dizard. His project was the planning and building of the Adirondack shelter at the Burtner House.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:50pm by motion of Mr. Dizard; second by Mr. Poston; and carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Jody L Lamison

Township Secretary

Chairman: Board of Commissioners