

Union Township Board of Supervisors  
Regular Board Meeting  
September 18 2017  
07:00 p.m.

The Board of Supervisors Meeting was called to order by Co-Chairperson Charles Trax at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was held at the Union Township Municipal Building, 3904 Finleyville-Elrama Road, Finleyville, PA. The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Board Members in Attendance by roll call were Larry Spahr, Heather Daerr, Charles Trax, and Paul Chasko. Deborah Sargent joined the meeting via telephone conference.

Also in attendance Mr. Robert Balogh –Township Manager, Mr. Gary Sweat-Solicitor, Nicole Dooley- Secretary, Colleen McDonald- Interim Secretary, Mr. Pete Overcashier – Acting Road Superintendent, Jamie Harshman, Jarrod D’Amico, -Harshman CE Group, LLC

**Statement for the record by Mr. Gary Sweat-Solicitor**

Emergency meeting held via telephone conference on September 11, 2017 regarding bonds being put in place for new township manager and secretary. Vote 5-0 for \$250,000 for Mr. Balogh and \$500,000 for Nicole Dooley.

Board went into executive session regarding resignation of Mrs. Judith Taylor. Board voted 3-2 to that Mrs. Taylors last day of work would be 9/11/17 but she would be paid until the last date of termination that was 9/15/2017. Law requires that the emergency meeting and the outcome of the meeting be announced in a scheduled public meeting of the board of supervisors. Mr. Spahr interjected regarding his vote. Mr. Sweat then corrected the vote to 3 yes, 1 no, 1 abstention.

**Public Comments on Agenda Items**

Matt Vibostak-19 Lake Drive Excavating standards and the statute of limitations question for Mr. Sweat.

George Powell-No address given Requesting board members approach large companies with various abandoned properties in the township for donations for improvements for the township. Comment regarding Mrs. Taylors exit.

JoEllen Meek-124 Viareggio Way Finleyville, PA Quaker engineering permit.

Rick Lawson- McClelland Road Finleyville PA New township manager comments.

Frank Latore – 7 Boyka Drive Finleyville PA – Tomko violations

Hal Breining-No Address given. Thank you to first responders Request for a meet your candidate night. Right to know request question.

Steven Gorsk- 125 Viareggio Way Finleyville, PA. No comment.

Dino Pappas 201 Stonebridge Drive Tomko concerns.

Pete (no last name) No address given. Requesting and update on Tuscany Estate

Department reports were delivered by the Engineer, Code Enforcement officer, Roadway Superintendent, Police and Solicitor.

Act 537 RFP proposals were read aloud by Mr. Harshman and Mr. Balogh. The amounts and bidding firms are as follow:

- 1) Widmer Engineering \$40,000 and \$500 per meeting
- 2) Senate Engineering \$19,800 and \$200 per meeting
- 3) HMT & Associates \$108,000 and \$200 per meeting
- 4) Harshman CE \$50,000 and \$300 per meeting

**Motion** to retain Cypher and Cypher to perform an exit audit upon Mrs. Taylor's vacating her position at Union Township.

Motion by Larry Spahr, Second by Paul Chasko

Roll call vote: Spahr-Yes, Trax-No, Chasko-Yes, Sargent-No, Daerr-No. Motion died.

**Motion** for an independent audit subject to Mr. Balogh obtaining three bids for the audit.

Motion by Heather Daerr, Second by Deborah Sargent

Roll call vote: Spahr-Yes, Trax-Yes, Chasko-Yes, Sargent-Yes, Daerr-Yes. Motion carried.

**Motion** .A one month extension on existing permit as long as Tomko is in compliance with the conditions and comments established by the township engineer in his September 18, 2017 letter. Tomko must deposit in an escrow account \$10,000.00 to cover Township engineering fees, inspection fees, and legal fees and agreements. Tomko must pay fines on the stop order agreement was that ignored. The extension will be reviewed on a monthly basis for compliance.

Motion by Charles Trax, Second by Heather Daerr

Roll call vote: Spahr-Yes, Trax-Yes, Chasko-Yes, Sargent-Yes, Daerr-Yes. Motion carried.

**Motion** Approval of Walsh Granite development agreement.

Motion by Charles Trax, Second by Heather Daerr

Roll call vote: Spahr-Yes, Trax-Yes, Chasko-Yes, Sargent-Yes, Daerr-Yes. Motion carried.

**Motion** to approve special council Steve Taczak for the planning commission to file the zoning hearing board appeal.

Motion by Charles Trax , Second by Paul Chasko

Roll call vote: Spahr-Yes, Trax-Yes, Chasko-Yes, Sargent-Yes, Daerr-Yes. Motion carried.

**Motion** to advertise the Airport Zoning Ordinance.

Motion by Charles Trax, Second by Larry Spahr

Roll call vote: Spahr-Yes, Trax-Yes, Chasko-Yes, Sargent-Yes, Daerr-Yes. Motion carried.

**Motion** to assign Jarrod D'Amico to find candidates of abandoned homes for demolition with the use of the remaining CBCV demolition grant money.

Motion by Charles Trax Second by Heather Daerr

Roll call vote: Spahr-Yes, Trax-Yes, Chasko-Yes, Sargent-Yes, Daerr-Yes. Motion carried

**Motion** to allow James Harshman and Rich Cleaveland to work on LSA Grant money for overlook sewage project.

Motion by Heather Daerr, Second by Charles Trax

Roll call vote: Spahr-Yes, Trax-Yes, Chasko-Yes, Sargent-Yes, Daerr-Yes. Motion carried

**Motion** to amend the conditional use approval given to EQT for the McIntosh facility to permit them to perform construction activities on a revised work schedule from 7:00pm thru 2:00am with no Sunday or holiday work. EQT will make every effort to direct its lighting inwards and away from all residences.

Motion by Charles Trax, Second by Heather Daerr

Roll call vote: Spahr-Yes, Trax-Yes, Chasko-Yes, Sargent-Yes, Daerr-Yes. Motion carried

**Motion** to approve Cub Scout request for the use of the soccer field and concession stand on 9-22-17 from 7:00pm-9:00pm to serve popcorn and watch a movie.

Motion by Heather Daerr, Second by Charles Trax

Roll call vote: Spahr-Yes, Trax-Yes, Chasko-Yes, Sargent-Yes, Daerr-Yes. Motion carried

**Motions** amend the original motion for lock replacement to include the cost of estimation fees for the locksmiths in order for submission of bids.

Motion by Heather Daerr, Second by Deborah Sargent

Roll call vote: Spahr-Yes, Trax-Yes, Chasko-Yes, Sargent-Yes, Daerr-Yes. Motion carried

**Motion** to table the drug and alcohol policy future discussion.

Motion by Charles Trax, Second by Heather Daerr

Roll call vote: Spahr-Yes, Trax-Yes, Chasko-Yes, Sargent-Yes, Daerr-Yes. Motion carried

**Motion** to table overtime policy.

Motion by Charles Trax, Second by Heather Daerr

Roll call vote: Spahr-Yes, Trax-Yes, Chasko-Yes, Sargent-Yes, Daerr-Yes. Motion carried

**Motion** to table RFP's for modified accrual training.

Motion by Charles Trax, Second by Heather Daerr

Roll call vote: Spahr-Yes, Trax-Yes, Chasko-Yes, Sargent-Yes, Daerr-Yes. Motion carried

**Motion** for Heather Daerr to compile minutes for special executive session on 9/11/2017

Motion by Charles Trax, Second by Deborah Sargent

Roll call vote: Spahr-No, Trax-Yes, Chasko-No, Sargent-Yes, Daerr-Yes. Motion carried

**Motion** to accept the resignation of Treasurer/ Assistant Secretary Judith L Taylor

Motion by Heather Daerr, Second by Deborah Sargent

Roll call vote: Spahr-No, Trax-Yes, Chasko-Yes as written by Mrs. Taylor, Sargent-Yes, Daerr-Yes. Motion carried

**Motion** to approve and authorize Robert Balogh for check signing capabilities.

Motion by Charles Trax, Second by Heather Daerr

Roll call vote: Spahr-Yes, Trax-Yes, Chasko-Yes, Sargent-Yes, Daerr-Yes. Motion carried

**Motion** for Robert Balogh to handle the cancellation of Township credit cards in Mrs. Judith Taylor's name

Motion by Charles Trax, Second by Heather Daerr

Roll call vote: Spahr-Yes, Trax-Yes, Chasko-Yes, Sargent-Yes, Daerr-Yes. Motion carried

**Public Comments on Non- Agenda Items**

Edward Vero 65 Cardox Road regarding traffic concerns on Cardox Road.

**Motion** to adjourn at 10:45p.m.

Motion by Heather Daerr, Second by Charles Trax

Roll call vote: Spahr-Yes, Trax-Yes, Chasko-Yes, Sargent-Yes, Daerr-Yes. Motion carried.

**Motion** to go to executive session for personnel reasons and possible litigation.

(Time \_\_\_\_\_pm)

Motion by: Charles Trax, Second by Heather Daerr

Roll call vote: Spahr-Yes, Trax-Yes, Chasko-Yes, Sargent-Yes, Daerr-Yes

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Nicole Dooley, Secretary