

Board of Supervisors
Thursday, December 10th, 2020 @ 6:30 PM
Lynn Twp.-7911 Kings Hgwy., New Tripoli

Call to Order: The regular meeting of the Lynn Township Board of Supervisors was called to order by Chairman Justin N. Smith, at 6:30 pm in the Municipal Building. Present were, Absent Vice Chairman Brian C. Dietrich, Member Steve I. Feinour, Secretary/Treasurer Tammy M. White, Asst. Sec./Treas. Kathy A. Hermany, Road Master Bruce Raber, Engineer Rep./Zoning Officer Chris Noll, Solicitor Marc Fisher, and approximately 15 citizens.

Pledge of Allegiance: The Pledge of Allegiance was conducted.

Media Representation: Sarit Laschinsky from the NW Press.

Public Comment: None.

Accept the Minutes and Direct the Treasurer to pay the bills: A motion was made by Steve I. Feinour and seconded by Justin N. Smith to accept the minutes from 11/12/20 and to direct the treasurer to pay the bills. Motion carried unanimously.

Fire Companies: LPFC Asst. Fire Chief, Tim VanBlargan: 67 Emergency call for the year to date; Santa will be driving around our district Sunday the 20th starting at 12 noon; Hoagie pick up is January 6th orders are due by December 18th; Annual 200 club is set to begin Jan. 23rd. Tickets are out and available for purchase. NTFC Fire Chief, Gary Kuntz: The NTFC stated they are in need of a total of \$16,050.00 in items through COVID funding; 157 Emergency calls as of 12/10/20; NTFC has received 75% state certification certificate; 12/31 zoom meeting with the Lowhill Twp. Supervisors and the 4 other departments that provide fire protection to Lowhill Twp. and the topic of discussion was an increase in funding to the departments serving Lowhill Twp.; 12/7 met with Dave Hunsicker from the NTB. Mr. Hunsicker was asked to review the finances to be pro active and to help ensure that they are prepared for future known challenges; Replacement of 1997 Tanker which is currently being worked on, estimated cost is 430K to 450K; Replacement of 2001 Pierce Engine in 2026 at an estimated cost of 650K; Purchase of a duty type vehicle at an estimated cost of 60K; continuing to pay building at an estimated cost of 680K still owed; Radio replacement being driven by our county, if no help is given it could cost 212K; All the listed is in accordance with the 2015 Lynn Twp Fire Study; Zoom meeting with LC executive Philip Armstrong regarding the \$33,300.00 in Covid funding for spare turnout gear. This will allow the department to have approximately 10 sets of spare gear in case of contamination due to Covid or any other type of contamination; A meeting was held with Steve I. Feinour on 12/8 to establish a line of communication between the Fire Dept. and the Twp in lieu of the Fire Study meetings coming to an abrupt end. The meeting was to be proactive and have good communication with the Twp.; NTFC brought up to Steve I. Feinour if the Township could offer an incentive to Township employees to become active at the NTFC; In the new year 2021 leadership will change and Gary Kuntz will take over as Fire Chief if elected; It was stated that the NTFC has been doing their best to align with the 2015 Lynn Twp Fire Study. Gary Kuntz as the BOS to reaffirm their commitment to the 2015 Tax payer funded Fire Study. Steve I. Feinour and Justin N. Smith stated that they would not make any decision without Vice Chairman Brian C. Dietrich was present; Santa Run will be Saturday 12/19/20 starting @ 1pm.

Road Report: Bruce Raber, Road master, reported for the month of November: (1) Cut trees off roads and cleaned up branches & debris. (2) Started boom mowing. (3) Hauled scrap metal from recycling center = \$180.00. (4) Filled pot holes on dirt roads (all dirt roads). (5) Installed road pipe on Blue Mountain House Rd. (6) Extended a 15" pipe on Owl Valley Rd. (extended it 8'). (7) Did some cold patching (pot holes & edge work). (8) Met with Penn-Dot and Heidelberg Twp. about Memorial Road on 11/19/20. Penn-Dot called and stated that work has been done. Anticipated work for December: (1) Continue Boom Mowing. (2) Clean out gutters on dirt roads.

Park: NW School emergency procedure plan. A motion was made by Steve I. Feinour and seconded by Justin N. Smith approving the Memorandum of Understanding with NWLSD Agreement for Facility Usage. Motion carried unanimously. The agreement allows for the School District to use Ontelaunee Park in case of an emergency.

Motion to appoint outside Audit Firm: A motion was made by Steve I. Feinour and seconded by Justin N. Smith approving the appointment of Frey & Co. to do the 2020 Budget for 1 year at the cost of \$7,400.00. Motion carried unanimously

2021 Budget: A motion was made by Steve I. Feinour and seconded by Justin N. Smith approving the 2021 Budget. Motion carried unanimously.

Tax Collection Reso.-2020-14 : A motion was made by Steve I. Feinour and seconded by Justin N. Smith approving Resolution 2020-14 ; A RESOLUTION SETTING THE FEE FOR A TAX CERTIFICATION, DUPLICATE BILLS, RETURNED OR CANCELLED PAYMENTS IN THE TOWNSHIP OF LYNN, LEHIGH COUNTY, PA. Motion carried unanimously. The resolution sets the Tax Certification at \$20, A Tax Duplicate at \$5 and the cancelled Check fee at \$50 and is effective January 1.

Ag Security Resolution: Janine Reppert: Solicitor Marc Fisher called a public hearing at 6:47 pm to present the proposed Ag Security. Hearing no comments the hearing was closed at 6:48 pm. A motion was made by Steve I. Feinour and seconded by Justin N. Smith approving Resolution 2020-15: A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF

SUPERVISORS OF LYNN TOWNSHIP, LEHIGH COUNTY, PA ADOPTING RESOLUTION 2020-15 ADDING 110.125 ACRES, PARCEL #541941087007-1; INTO THE AG SECURITY AREA. Motion carried unanimously.

Sanctuary at Haafsville: A motion was made by Steve I. Feinour and seconded by Justin N. Smith approving the 2021 agreement with the Sanctuary at Haafsville @ \$50 per cat and \$110.00 per dog with a cap of 5K; and notice will be given when/if it reaches 4K. Motion carried unanimously.

Miscellaneous: (1) Appreciation Dinner: Tabled (2) Christmas Trees in the Park: There has been interest in having Christmas Tree(s) lighting in the park for the 2021 year. Tammy M. White will forward the contact name and # of the person who heads the tree lighting in the Palmerton Borough.

Public Comment:

Announcements:

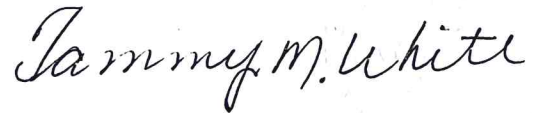
(1) Close-out meeting is Monday, December 28, 2020 @ 6:30 pm

(2) Re-org (BOS) meeting is Monday, January 4, 2021 @ 6:30 pm

(3) Elected Auditors Re-org is Tuesday, January 5, 2021 @ 7:00 pm

Adjournment: A motion was made by Steve I. Feinour and seconded by Justin N. Smith to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 6:58 pm.

Respectfully Submitted, Tammy M. White



Secretary/Treasurer