Barrett Township Supervisors August 12, 2015

A regular meeting of the Barrett Township Supervisors was held on Wednesday, August 12, 2015 at the Barrett Township Building on Route 390 in Mountainhome. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Ralph Megliola. Present: Loree Guthrie, Patti O'Keefe, Ralph Megliola, Paul Stotsenburg, John Seese, Solicitor Todd Weitzmann, Pam Ferro, Jeryl Rinehart and the public. There were no public comments on the agenda items.

The minutes of the July 28, 2015 meeting were approved on a motion made by Ralph Megliola and seconded by Paul Stotsenburg and carried. All the Supervisors voted aye.

Ralph Megliola made a motion to approve the payment of the following bills:

• August 6, 2015: General Fund - \$ 64,755.50, Library Fund - \$ 136.55, State Fund - \$ 95,852.90, Ambulance Fund - \$ 45.52, Park and Recreation Fund - \$ 4,550.95, Fire Fund - \$ 55.00.

The motion was seconded John Seese and carried. All the Supervisors voted aye.

Reports:

- a. The Treasurer's Report was read. On a motion made by Ralph Megliola and seconded by Paul Stotsenburg and carried, the report was accepted as read.
- b. The Roadmaster's Report was read. On a motion made by Ralph Megliola and seconded by Loree Guthrie and carried, the report was accepted as read.
- c. The Fire Chief's Reports were read for June and July. On a motion made by Ralph Megliola and seconded by John Seese and carried, the reports were accepted as read.
- d. The High Acres Park Committee meeting minutes were read. On a motion made by Ralph Megliola and seconded by Paul Stotsenburg and carried, the minutes were accepted as read. Committee Member Priscilla Kice discussed designing and landscaping the Veteran's War Memorial, adding several names to the Vietnam War plaques, placing signs at the entrance of the park indicating who has reserved the pavilions, refurbishing the entrance signs and installing a "Play at your Own Risk" sign by the playground equipment. Discussion was also held on donating any Barrett Township Police memorabilia to the Barrett Township Historical Society.

Old Business:

a. Discussion was held on the proposed ordinance for adopting and approving an intergovernmental cooperation agreement between Barrett Township and Paradise

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Township pertaining to the use of General Fund monies to jointly sponsor programs for Social Services for their poor, disabled and aging citizens. Ralph Megliola made a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 184. The motion was seconded by John Seese and carried. All the Supervisors voted aye.

- b. It was noted that the Final Draft Sign Ordinance will be reviewed for completion at the Workshop on Tuesday, August 18, 2015 at 7:30 a.m.
- c. Discussion was held on the proposed dog park at the Gravel Family Preserve. John Seese made a motion to send a check in the amount of \$ 450.00 to the Monroe County Conservation District to review the Erosion and Sedimentation Plan. The motion was seconded by Loree Guthrie and carried. All the Supervisors voted aye.
- d. Discussion was held on the Municipal Winter Traffic Services 5 Year Agreement. Ralph Megliola made a motion to approve and sign the contract. The motion was seconded by Paul Stotsenburg and carried. All the Supervisors voted aye.
- e. It was noted that the Notes to Financial Statements from the Kirk, Summa and Company Audit was received and is available for review.
- f. Discussion was held on the Halloween Parade. Ralph Megliola made a motion to sign and send the letter to PennDot for their approval of the permit to hold the Halloween Parade on Sunday, October 25, 2015.

New Business:

- a. Ralph Megliola made a motion to approve payroll for August 4, 2015 in the amount of \$11,382.56 for gross wages, \$348.68 for state liability, \$3,058.60 for federal tax liability and \$8,623.02 for net wages. The motion was seconded by John Seese and carried. All the Supervisors voted aye.
- b. A letter was received from the Monroe County Office of Registration/Elections requesting the Municipal Building be opened at 6:00 a.m. on Tuesday, November 3, 2015 for the election polls.
- c. A letter was received from the Chairman of the Monroe County Youth Field Day requesting a donation to support Field Day on September 12, 2015.
- d. A letter was received from Employers Mutual Casualty Company informing the Supervisors that they have determined that the water damage to the offices will not be covered by the insurance.
- e. A letter was received from the Brodhead Watershed Association thanking the Supervisors for their support in their efforts to preserve and protect the high quality of our water resources.

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- f. A letter was received from the Monroe County Conservation District acknowledging the receipt of the complete application for John R. Miller III on the Buck Hill Creek.
- g. A letter was received from the Monroe County Planning Commission informing the Supervisors that the County is currently accepting application forms for the 2016 Gypsy Moth Suppression Program.
- h. Michelle Wagner Dellavalle was present to discuss the Fall Festival and the Middle Smithfield Township Park Board. Discussion was held on the insurance required to serve food for the Fall Festival and the possibility of the forming a subcommittee under the High Acres Park Committee because of the difficulty of obtaining sponsorships and donations because they are not a nonprofit group. The Fall Festival will be held on Saturday, September 19th and Sunday, September 20th. Michelle is also on the Park Board in Middle Smithfield Township and she offered her assistance and advice to the Township to help develop the parks and open space properties. Michelle invited the Supervisors to the Ribbon Cutting Ceremony at the new dog park in Middle Smithfield Township on Tuesday, September 8th.
- i. A notice was received that the 2015 Economic Outlook Summit will be held on Friday, September 11, 2015 at the East Stroudsburg University.
- j. A letter was received from the Northeastern Pennsylvania Alliance informing the Supervisors that they have initiated the development of a Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) which will identify the major transportation projects, programs and policies needed for the next twenty-five years. Discussion was held on completing the forms and submitting them for the possible repairs to the Old Canadensis Hill Road bridge.

k. Emergency Coordinator, Brick Linder reported that he attended the Monroe County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan Kick-Off Meeting on August 5, 2015. The original plan was developed and adopted by Monroe County in 2011. The Township will need to adopt the 2016 updated plan to be eligible for FEMA disaster relief money and any federal liquid fuels money. Brick completed the forms on behalf of the Township and will submit them to Monroe County.

Miscellaneous:

a. It was noted that certificates of insurance were received from Sears Holdings Corporation and Struck Homes LLC.

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As there was no further business or public comment, Ralph Megliola made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 p.m. The motion was seconded by Paul Stotsenburg and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

Respectfully submitted,

Teryl Rinehart