Barrett Township Supervisors August 8, 2018

A regular meeting of the Barrett Township Supervisors was held on Wednesday, August 8, 2018 at the Barrett Township Building on Route 390 in Mountainhome, PA. The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Chairman William Pipolo, Jr.

Present: William Pipolo, Jr., Benjie Labar, Patti O'Keefe, Grant Hilfiger, John Seese, Solicitor Deborah Huffman, Pam Gardsy, Jeryl Rinehart and the public. There were no public comments on the agenda items.

The minutes of the July 25, 2018 meeting were approved on a motion made by William Pipolo, Jr. and seconded by Grant Hilfiger and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

William Pipolo, Jr. made a motion to approve the payment of the following bills:

- July 25, 2018 General Fund \$ 58,457.61, Park and Recreation
 Fund \$ 910.42, Upper Seese Hill Turnback \$ 815.36, State Fund \$ 1,171.72,
 Open Space Fund \$ 74.94, Ambulance Fund \$ 860.14, Library Fund \$ 12,580.57, Fire Fund \$ 586.20
- August 1, 2018 General Fund \$ 6,401.45, Park and Recreation Fund \$ 1,623.92, Upper Seese Hill Turnback \$ 1,216.60, State Fund \$ 375.30, State Fund \$ 375.30, Open Space Fund \$ 2,322.22, Fire Fund \$ 300.00, Road Machinery Fund \$ 44,500.00

The motion was seconded by Benjie Labar and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

Reports:

- a. The Treasurer's Report was read. On a motion made by William Pipolo, Jr. and seconded by Benjie Labar and carried, the report was accepted as read.
- b. The Building, Zoning and S.E.O. Reports were read. On a motion made by William Pipolo, Jr. and seconded by Grant Hilfiger and carried, the reports were accepted as read.
- c. The Ambulance Report was read. There were 34 calls for the month of July, 299 total calls for the year and 3908 total calls, year to date companywide. On a motion made by William Pipolo, Jr. and seconded by John Seese and carried, the report was accepted as read.
- d. The Environmental Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes were read. On a motion made by William Pipolo, Jr. and seconded by Benjie Labar and carried, the minutes were accepted as read.

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Old Business:

- a. A letter was received from the Pocono Mountain Regional EMS asking the Supervisors if they would be willing to contribute \$ 2500.00 to help offset the out of pocket expense for the 10% of the total cost of the grant they received to purchase four (4) Power Stretchers and (4) Power Load Systems in the amount of \$ 205,000.00. It was noted that the Township currently contributes \$ 4,900.00 in fuel and gives them \$32,445.00 in tax money. William Pipolo, Jr. made a motion to table the decision until further information can be gathered. The motion was seconded by Benjie Labar and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.
- b. A letter was received from the Monroe County Board of Assessment advising the Supervisors that they granted the request for tax exemption for twelve (12) properties owned by the Buck Hill Conservation Foundation, It was noted that the total Township loss in tax money is \$3,554.72.
- c. Discussion was held on the proposed contract for maintenance from F/J Hess and Sons and Furino Fuels, Inc. for the heating systems at the Municipal Building and the C.A.M.E. Building. William Pipolo, Jr. made a motion to keep the agreement the same from the previous year. The motion was seconded by Grant Hilfiger and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.
- d. Discussion was held on the copier at the firehouse. The contract agreement has expired and the copier no longer works properly. William Pipolo, Jr. made a motion to table the decision until more information about the cost of the shipping can be obtained. The motion was seconded by Grant Hilfiger and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.
- e. William Pipolo, Jr. made a motion to accept the proposal from A.I.C. Alarm Co. in the amount of \$1,018.45 and switch alarm companies from Royal Securities to A.I.C. Alarm Co.. The motion was seconded by Benjie Labar and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.
- f. William Pipolo, Jr. made a motion to authorize to advertise for the Police Agreement. The motion was seconded by Grant Hilfiger and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

New Business:

a. William Pipolo, Jr. made a motion to approve the payroll for July 31, 2018 in the amount of \$ 15,559.78 for gross wages, \$ 476.90 for state liability, \$ 3,840.16 for federal tax liability, \$ 12,202.52 for net wages. The motion was seconded by John Seese and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

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- b. A letter was received from the Rotary Club informing the Supervisors that Brick Linder was chosen as Citizen of the Year and they are asking for permission to continue the tradition of a planting a tree in his honor at High Acres Park. William Pipolo, Jr. made a motion to grant the permission to plant a tree for Citizen of the Year. The motion was seconded by Grant Hilfiger and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.
- c. William Pipolo, Jr. made a motion to approve the renewal rates for dental insurance with United Concordia. The motion was seconded by Patti O'Keefe and carried. All Supervisors voted aye. It was noted that there was no increase in the insurance rates.
- d. A letter was received from the PA Liquor Control Board informing the Supervisors that the Broken Willow Winery located on Krummel Lane has applied for a liquor license.
- e. A letter was received from the Monroe County Conservation District informing the Supervisors that they conducted an inspection of earth disturbance activities at the Vogt Tree Timber Harvest on Long Road. It was noted that Kevin Heberling received a Zoning Permit for Forestry for the Vogt property.
- f. William Pipolo, Jr. made a motion to order work shirts for the Maintenance Department in the amount of \$ 1507.00. The motion was seconded by Grant Hilfiger and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

Miscellaneous:

a. It was noted that there were no certificates of insurance was received. Rick Scrudato thanked the Board of Supervisors and the Maintenance Department for the great job they did on the planting and landscaping of the Municipal Building.

Marijo Canova was present to voice her concerns about the littering at High Acres Park and holding people accountable for the littering. John Seese reported that the park had been cleaned up and the group that reserved the park did not receive their security deposit back.

Elizabeth Cichello asked when the speed analysis machine was going to be placed on Lake Road. The P.M.R.P.D. had previously placed the machine on Golf Drive and it was being repaired and recalibrated. John Seese had previously requested the machine to be placed on Lake Road. It was noted that there has been more police presence on Lake Road.

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William Pipolo, Jr. made a motion to go into Executive Session at 6:00 p.m. to discuss possible litigation. The motion was seconded by Benjie Labar and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

William Pipolo, Jr. made a motion to reconvene the meeting at 6:10 p.m. The motion was seconded by Benjie Labar and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

William Pipolo, Jr. made a motion to authorize Solicitor Deborah Huffman to file a Certificate of Non-Concurrence for the Injunction Hearing on August 17, 2018 for the Congregation OHR Menachem. The motion was seconded by Patti O'Keefe and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

As there was no further business or public comment, William Pipolo, Jr. made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:12 p.m. The motion was seconded by Grant Hilfiger and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

Respectfully Submitted,
Terry Rine hart