Barrett Township Supervisors February 22, 2017

A regular meeting of the Barrett Township Supervisors was held on Wednesday, February 22, 2017 at the Barrett Township Building on Route 390 in Mountainhome, PA. The meeting was called to order at 8:00 a.m. by Chairman Ralph Megliola.

Present: Loree Guthrie, William Pipolo, Jr., Ralph Megliola, John Seese, Pam Gardsy, Jeryl Rinehart and the public. Benjie Labar was absent. There were no public comments on the agenda items.

The minutes of the February 28, 2017 meeting were approved on a motion made by Loree Guthrie and seconded by William Pipolo, Jr. and carried. All the Supervisors voted aye.

The approval of bills was tabled until the next meeting.

Reports:

a. The Fire Chief's Reports for January was read. On a motion made by John Seese and seconded by Loree Guthrie 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 Environmental Advisory Committee and Open Space minutes were read. On a motion made by Ralph Megliola and seconded by John Seese and carried, the minutes for the Environmental Advisory Committee were accepted as read. On a motion made by John Seese and seconded by Loree Guthrie and carried, the minutes for the Open Space Committee were not accepted as read because the Open Space Committee was not appointed at the Reorganization Meeting in January.

d. The Treasurer's Report was read. On a motion made by Loree Guthrie and seconded by William Pipolo, Jr. and carried, the report was accepted as read.

Subdivision/Lot Consolidation:

a. Brick T. and Judith H. Linder, Lot Line Adjustment/Consolidation Plan, Martin and Robbins Surveying – Ralph Megliola made a motion to approve the Lot Line Adjustment/Consolidation Plan contingent on the comments of Township Engineer Jon Tresslar being addressed. The motion was seconded by Loree Guthrie and carried. All Supervisors voted aye, **Barrett Township Supervisors** Meeting of February 22, 2017 Page 2.

Old Business:

a. Ralph Megliola made a motion to award the bid for Anti-Skid material to Pioneer Aggregates, Inc. The motion was seconded by William Pipolo, Jr. and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

b. It was noted that the Zoning Board Hearing for Robert Mathewson, 2471 Route 390 is scheduled for Monday, March 13, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. at the Municipal Building.

c. Ralph Megliola made a motion to approve Benjie Labar attending the Leadership Program at Northampton Community College. The motion was seconded by William Pipolo, Jr. and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

d. Discussion was held on the reappointment of the Open Space Committee. Ralph Megliola made a motion to table the reappointment of the Open Space Committee. The motion was seconded by William Pipolo, Jr. and carried. All Supervisors voted aye. Ralph Megliola will contact Solicitor Todd Weitzmann concerning the reappointment of the Open Space Committee and the meeting that was held in January without the Committee being reappointed. It was also noted that William Pipolo, Jr. was not notified of the Environmental Advisory Committee or the Open Space Committee meeting being held in January.

e. Ralph Megliola made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 022217 for the purchase of the Utility Terrain Vehicle with grant money for the Fire Company. The motion was seconded by William Pipolo, Jr. and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

New Business:

a. Ralph Megliola made a motion to approve the payroll for February 14, 2017 in the amount of \$ 16,700.85 for gross wages, \$ 511.96 for state liability, \$ 4,212.51 for federal tax liability, \$ 13,023.94 for net wages. The motion was seconded by John Seese and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

b. Ralph Megliola made a motion to table the Ambulance Truck until the next meeting when Benjie Labar can report on it. The motion was seconded by William Pipolo, Jr. and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

c. A letter was received from the Monroe County Local Children's Roundtable informing the Supervisors that they are hosting their third annual Community Night on Thursday, March 16, 2017 from 6:00 to 8:30 p.m. at the Monroe Campus of Northampton Community College. Barrett Township Supervisors Meeting of February 22, 2017 Page 3. (New Business – cont.)

d. A letter was received from the Brodhead Chapter Trout Unlimited #289 informing the Supervisors of their upcoming annual banquet on Friday, March 24, 2017 at the Stroudsmoor Country Inn.

e. A letter was received from Carol Hillestad from the Brodhead Watershed Association inviting the Supervisors to attend a hike on February 25th at Mount Wismer and on April 15th on Chestnut Mountain.

f. An email was received from Bill Dunn, Service Manager from Signal Service, Inc. informing the Supervisors that while performing the annual preventive maintenance inspection, the technicians found that the overhead free swinging signal housings are broken. The cost to repair the traffic light is \$ 3,032.00. Ralph Megliola made a motion to approve the repair of the traffic light from the LST Fund. The motion was seconded by John Seese and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

g. Discussion was held on the concern of the Fire Company that some people still do not have their 911 signs located on the property and it is difficult for emergency services to locate the properties. Zoning Officer Jeryl Rinehart will obtain a list of the properties from the Monroe County Tax Assessment Office to determine who has not installed their 911 signs. She will send a letter to the property owners that they have 30 days to install their 911 signs or legal action will be taken against them.

h. A letter was received from PA DEP concerning the heating oil contamination discovered at Weiler Brush, One Weiler Drive. The owners are in the process of cleaning it up.

i. An invitation was received from Ryan John Stewart to attend his Eagle Scout Court of Honor on April 2, 2017 at 1:00 p.m. at the Akelaland Dining Hall in Kunkletown.

j. Assistant Chief Grover Cleveland was present to update the Supervisors on the Fire Rescue Truck. Grover submitted a diagram of the truck and discussed the upgrades to the truck.

Miscellaneous:

a. It was noted that certificates of insurance were received from Cassel Building Contractors, Inc. and Liberty Homes Custom Builders.

John Seese reported that he was told by the Monroe County Planning Commission that the gates at Ice Lake have to be removed because the property is Open Space and the gates prevent public access which is not allowed when properties are bought with Open Space monies. Barrett Township Supervisors Meeting of February 22, 2017 Page 4. (Misc. – cont.)

Discussion was held on accepting televisions at the Township Clean Ups. There is an additional fee charged for televisions and electronics and they will be taken to a site approved by the Monroe County Waste Authority.

Pam Gardsy reported that there is a grant available for signage at the Open Space properties. She will follow up with Reda Briglia from Paradise Township about the signage.

Discussion was held on road paving projects for 2017. Roadmaster John Seese will prepare a list of roads to be considered at the next meeting.

Ralph Megliola made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss possible litigation at 8:50 a.m. The motion was seconded by William Pipolo, Jr. and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

Ralph Megliola made a motion to reconvene the meeting 9:30 a.m. The motion was seconded by William Pipolo, Jr. and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

As there was no further business or public comment, Ralph Megliola made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:30 a.m. The motion was seconded by William Pipolo, Jr. and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

Respectfully submitted,