## Barrett Township Supervisors May 13, 2015

A regular meeting of the Barrett Township Supervisors was held on Wednesday, May 13, 2015 at the Barrett Township Building on Route 390 in Mountainhome, Pa. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Ralph Megliola.

Present: Ralph Megliola, Patti O'Keefe, Loree Guthrie, John Seese, Paul Stotsenburg, Solicitor Todd Weitzmann, Chief Steve Williams, Pam Ferro, Jeryl Rinehart and the public.

There were no public comments on the agenda items.

The minutes of the April 28 and May 5, 2015 meetings were approved on a motion made by Ralph Megliola and seconded by Loree Guthrie and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

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

- April 29, 2015 General Fund \$ 21,730.73, State Fund \$ 1,907.21, Fire Fund \$ 981.88, Library Fund \$ 3,863.33, Ambulance Fund \$ 1,287.70, Park and Recreation Fund \$ 552.48
- May 6, 2015 General Fund \$ 4,055.20, State Fund \$ 1,311.25, Library Fund \$ 31,419.64, Ambulance Fund \$ 10,687.57, Park and Recreation Fund \$ 7,920.00

The motion was seconded by Paul Stotsenburg and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

# **Bid Openings:**

a. Two bids were received for the 2015 Road Paving Projects for Spruce Cabin Road and Brutzman Extension. Northeast Site Contractors submitted a bid for \$ 168,505.85 and Hansen Aggregates for \$ 141,453.00. Ralph Megliola made a motion to accept the lower bid for Hansen Aggregates for \$ 141,453.00 contingent on Solicitor Todd Weitzmann's review and approval of the bid. The motion was seconded by Paul Stotsenburg and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

## **Reports:**

- a. The Treasurer's Report was read. On a motion made by Ralph Megliola and seconded by Loree Guthrie and carried, the report was accepted as read.
- b. The Police Report was read. On a motion made by Paul Stotsenburg and seconded by John Seese and carried, the report was accepted as read.
  - c. The Roadmaster's Report was read. On a motion made by Ralph Megliola

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and seconded by Loree Guthrie and carried, the report was accepted as read.

d. It was noted that the Fire Chief's report was not received for April.

#### **Old Business:**

- a. Discussion was held on the agreement with the new building code inspector, Shawn McGlynn with S.F.M. Consulting. Solicitor Todd Weitzmann reviewed the agreement and determined that there were several items that needed to be addressed. Discussion was also held on Building Inspectors Underwriters finishing the inspections for the open permits that they were already paid for. Ralph Megliola was going to speak with John Hudak from B.I.U. to confirm that. Ralph Megliola made a motion to approve the agreement contingent on Solicitor Todd Weitzmann's review and approval of the agreement and the indemnification issue. The motion was seconded by Paul Stotsenburg and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.
- b. Discussion was held on the status of purchasing the Wharton property for Open Space. Solicitor Todd Weitzmann gave an update on the status of the sale agreement. He is waiting for the signed sales agreement from Mr. Wharton.
- c. It was noted that the Marketing Committee Meeting will be held on Thursday, May 28<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m. at the Barrett Paradise Friendly Library.
- d. Ralph Megliola made a motion to give Jeryl Rinehart and Solicitor Todd Weitzmann permission to begin the enforcement procedures for an unsafe structure on property owned by Ralph Miller known as the Pocono Playhouse. The motion was seconded by Patti O'Keefe and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.
- e. Ralph Megliola made a motion to table the renewal of the AmeriGas contract until other prices were obtained from other gas companies. The motion was seconded by John Seese and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

### **New Business:**

- a. John Seese made a motion to approve payroll for April 28, 2015 in the amount of \$ 46,768.00 for gross wages, \$ 1,435.79 for state tax liability, \$ 13,454.47 for federal tax liability and \$ 34,877.99 for net wages. The motion was seconded by Loree Guthrie and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.
- b. It was noted that the workshop on Tuesday, May 19<sup>th</sup> has been cancelled due to Election Day and will be rescheduled for Tuesday, May 26<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 a.m.
- c. It was noted that Paul Pugielli from Brown & Brown Insurance will attend the work shop on Tuesday, May 26, 2105 at 8:30 a.m. to present policies and review reports for the insurance.

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- d. Discussion was held on the insurance for the Halloween Parade. It will be discussed further after the meeting with Paul Pugielli from Brown & Brown Insurance.
- e. A letter was received from the Pocono Avian Research Center asking for permission to allow Girl Scout Sarah Green to earn her Girl Scout Gold Award at the Pasold Farms and the Gravel Family Preserve by placing owl nest box project. They also requested the use of High Acres Park to have a public awareness owl celebration day on Saturday, September 12, 2015 for conservation efforts to save the owls. Ralph Megliola made a motion to give Sarah Green permission to have her owl events. The motion was seconded by Paul Stotsenburg and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.
- f. A letter was received Nancy Timm informing the Supervisors that the T.O.P.S group is disbanding on May 27, 2015 and they will be vacating their room at the C.A.M.E. building. She suggested that the room could be used for food storage for C.A.M.E. Ralph Megliola made a motion to accept the T.O.P.S. letter. The motion was seconded by John Seese and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.
- g. A letter was received from ISO thanking Mr. Joshua Shoff, Mr. Michael Shay, Mr. James Siglin and Fire Chief Grover Cleveland for their cooperation during the recent Public Protection Classification survey.
- h. A letter was received from Cramer, Swetz, McManus and Jordon concerning the notice of Sheriff's Sale of Real Property on Squirrel Road in Buck Hill Falls.
- i. It was noted that the High Acre Park Committee meeting minutes were received. Ralph Megliola made a motion to accept the meeting minutes as read. The motion was seconded by John Seese and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

## **Miscellaneous:**

a. It was noted that certificates of insurance were received from Brown & Brown Insurance, Precision Home Builders, Seese Handyman Services and Charles Yerkes.

As there were no further business or public comment, Ralph Megliola made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 p.m. The motion was seconded by Paul Stotsenburg and carried. All Supervisors voted ave.