Barrett Township Supervisors June 11, 2014

A regular meeting of the Barrett Township Supervisors was held on Wednesday, June 11, 2014 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, Chief Steve Williams, Jeryl Rinehart and the public. There were no public comments on the agenda items.

The minutes of the May 27, 2014 meeting 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:

- May 29, 2014: General Fund \$ 19,518.85, Fire Fund \$ 101,550.97,
 Library Fund \$ 120.61, Ambulance Fund \$ 80.40 and Park and
 Recreation Fund \$ 858.98.
- June 5, 2014: General Fund \$ 5,729.73, Fire Fund \$ 1,593.50, Library Fund \$ 200.35, Ambulance Fund \$ 133.55, Park and Recreation Fund \$ 1,145.30 and State Fund \$ 3,643.61.
 The motion was seconded Paul Stotsenburg and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

Reports:

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

Old Business:

a. Discussion was held on the exploratory meeting for the Paradise Barrett Friendly Library to discuss the possible tax increase. The meeting has been scheduled for Thursday, June 26, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. at the Library. Ralph Megliola made a motion to advertise the special meeting with the Paradise Township Supervisors in the Village View and the Pocono Record. The motion was seconded by John Seese and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

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b. Jim Weaver was present to discuss drainage problems in front of his house on White Oak Road. Ralph Megliola and John Seese will meet at the property to try to resolve the drainage complaint.

c. It was noted that the pre-construction meeting for the Laurel Pine Road water main replacement with Aqua PA is scheduled for the next workshop on June 17, 2014 at 8:00 a.m.

New Business:

- a. Ralph Megliola made a motion to approve payroll for May 29, 2014 in the amount of \$ 29,823.84 for gross wages, \$ 915.60 for state liability, \$ 7,579.13 for federal tax liability and \$ 23,205.33 for net wages. The motion was seconded by John Seese and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.
- b. A letter was received from PA DEP concerning the Act 537 Sewage Facilities Planning Reimbursement encouraging the Township to apply for a grant through the Commonwealth Financing Authority. Township Engineer Jon Tresslar spoke with Tigh Savercool from PA DEP concerning reimbursement for the preparation of the Act 537 Plan. The Township is not eligible for the grant because the funding is only available for planning activities that occurred after February 14, 2012. The Act 537 Plan was 98 % completed by that date.
- c. A letter was received from PA DEP informing the Township that they had been notified that petroleum contamination was discovered at the property owned by Praedium Partners LLC, located at 1142 Route 390.
- d. A letter was received from the Brodhead Watershed Association asking for the Township's yearly sponsorship for the Adopt-A-Stream Program. Ralph Megliola made a motion to donate \$ 300.00 to the Brodhead Watershed Association for the Adopt-A-Stream Program. The motion was seconded by Paul Stotsenburg and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.
- e. A letter was received from Barbara Seese with the Mountainhome United Methodist Church asking to use the pond at High Acres Park for a fishing derby. The fishing derby will be held on Saturday, June 21, 2014 from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Ralph Megliola made a motion to allow the Church to have the fishing derby. The motion was seconded by John Seese and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.
- f. Discussion was held on purchasing a 1991 five-ton; six wheel drive retired military truck through government liquidation of retired military vehicles in Harrisburg for Forest Fire Crew No. 34. Ralph Megliola made a motion to purchase

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the truck for \$ 4500.00 to give to the Forest Fire Crew under the same guidelines that the Supervisors give to the Volunteer Fire Company, the Township will own the truck and the Forest Fire Crew will use the truck. The motion was seconded by Loree Guthrie and carried. All Supervisors voted aye. Solicitor Todd Weitzman will draft the lease for the truck.

g. Chief Steve Williams emailed the proposed second hand shop/pawn shop ordinance to the Supervisors to discuss at the next work shop.

h. Discussion was held on updating the website, updating the forms to coincide with the new Zoning Ordinance and the possibility of obtaining a grant from the American Legion for the War Memorial.

i. Discussion was held on preparing a letter to the Monroe County Commissioners, requesting money to pave Dutch Hill Road.

Miscellaneous:

a. It was noted that a certificate of insurance were received from Skytop Lodge.

As there was no further business or public comment, Ralph Megliola made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 p.m. The motion was seconded by Paul Stotsenburg and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

Respectfully submitted,

Terry Pinehart