

Barrett Township Supervisors
February 12, 2014

A regular meeting of the Barrett Township Supervisors was held on Wednesday, February 12, 2014 at the Barrett Township Municipal Building on Route 390 in Mountainhome. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Vice Chairman Loree Guthrie.

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

There were no public comments on the agenda items.

The minutes of the January 22, 2014 meeting were approved on a motion made by Loree Guthrie and seconded by Paul Stotsenburg and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

Loree Guthrie made a motion to approve the payment of the bills for February 6, 2014 from the General Fund in the amount of \$ 23,327.40, from the Fire Fund in the amount of \$ 300.00 and from the Park and Recreation in the amount of \$ 203.93. The motion was seconded by John Seese and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

Reports:

a. The Treasurer's Report was read. On a motion made by Loree Guthrie, seconded by John Seese and carried, the report was accepted as read. All Supervisors voted aye.

b. The Police Reports for December 2013 and January 2014 were read. On a motion made by John Seese, seconded by Paul Stotsenburg and carried, the report was accepted as read. All Supervisors voted aye,

Subdivision/Land Development:

a. Weiler Corporation 2014 Office and Warehouse Expansion and Renovation, Linder Engineering – Brick Linder from Linder Engineering was present to discuss the land development plan. The Weiler Corporation is proposing to construct a 1690 +/- square foot building addition for offices, cafeteria and employee lounge. There will be no change of use or increase in the number of employees as a result of this proposal. Township Engineer Jon Tresslar's comments from his February 12, 2014 Review Letter No. 3 confirms that all the previous items have been addressed. Loree Guthrie made a motion to grant the waivers from Section 607.4.4.c, Section 606.4.5.a, Section 702.8.1 and Section 702.8.2. The motion was seconded by Paul Stotsenburg and carried. All Supervisors voted aye. Loree Guthrie made a motion to approve the land development plan. The motion was seconded by Paul Stotsenburg and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

Old Business:

a. Discussion was held on the zoning violation for J.N.C. Development, LLC for the installation of a front porch within the building setbacks at 134 Falls Drive. Solicitor Todd Weitzmann prepared a settlement agreement and release in the amount of \$ 5,000.00 to resolve the zoning violation. John Seese made to accept the \$ 5,000.00 payment in exchange for the release. The motion was seconded by Paul Stotsenburg and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

b. A letter was received from Jim Siglin asking to be considered for the position of Assistant to the Emergency Management Coordinator. Loree Guthrie made a motion to table the decision until it could be discussed with all of the Supervisors. The motion was seconded by John Seese and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

New Business:

a. Loree Guthrie made a motion to approve payroll for February 6, 2014 in the amount of \$ 31,296.50 for gross wages, \$ 960.81 for state tax liability, \$ 8,250.03 for federal tax liability and \$ 24,059.47 for net wages. The motion was seconded by John Seese and carried. All supervisors voted aye.

b. It was noted that a Water Obstruction and Encroachment Inspection Report was received from PA DEP for Ralph Megliola. A complaint was submitted to PA DEP from an unknown source that a driveway was possibly constructed through a wetland. Victor Motts from the Monroe County Conservation District was unable to confirm the complaint due to snow and frozen soil conditions. His office will conduct a re-inspection in March or April.

c. It was noted that the MS-965, Actual Use Report of State Funds for the 2013 Liquid Fuel monies spent, have been submitted to PA DEP.

d. A letter was received from PennDot that the new Special Event Permit Form must be submitted along with the Route/Permit Restriction Form for Special Events like the Halloween Parade and the Scarecrow 5K Race.

e. A letter was received from Paradise Township along with a \$ 5,000.00 donation to the Volunteer Fire Company for their continued support in Paradise Township.

f. Solicitor Todd Weitzmann prepared an ordinance amending the Barrett Township Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance to provide a simplified lot combination procedure. The Supervisors will review it at the next workshop.

Miscellaneous:

a. It was noted that certificates of insurance were received for Karl H. Forssell Plumbing and Heating and Chadd Gray.

Chief Steve Williams reported that he spoke with Royal Security about the alarm system and panic buttons for the Municipal Building after several incidents in the last several weeks. The initial cost is \$ 1,374.00 to upgrade the security alarm and install three sensors plus the \$ 34.00 monthly monitoring fee. John Seese made a motion to have the alarm system upgraded. The motion was seconded by Paul Stotsenburg and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

Peter Taney informed the Supervisors that he was going to help with the Earth Day activities this year at High Acres Park. Earth Day will be on Sunday, May 4, 2014. There will be a road cleanup crew out on Saturday, May 3, 2014 and a breakfast following the cleanup.

As there was no further business or public comment, Loree Guthrie made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 p.m. The motion was seconded by Paul Stotsenburg and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

Respectfully submitted,

Terry Pinehart