Barrett Township Supervisors Minutes of Regular Meeting on August 10, 2022

A regular meeting of the Barrett Township Supervisors was held on Wednesday, August 10, 2022, at the Municipal Building on Route 390 in Mountainhome, PA. The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Chairman Pam Gardsy.

Present: Pam Gardsy, Kelly Slinger, Patti O'Keefe, Darryl Speicher, John Seese, Solicitor Todd Weitzmann, Jeryl Rinehart and the public There were no public comments on the agenda items.

The Minutes of the July 27, 2022 Meeting were approved on a motion made by Darryl Speicher and seconded by Patti O'Keefe and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

Pam Gardsy made a motion to approve the payment of the following bills:

- July 27, 2022 General Fund \$ 51,850.50, Park and Recreation Fund \$ 2,511.33,
 State Fund \$ 24,483.59, Open Space Fund \$ 919.93, Fire Fund \$ 3,587.46, Library Fund \$ 380.52, Ambulance Fund \$ 197.39
- August 3, 2022 General Fund \$ 113,715.99, Park and Recreation Fund \$ 346.06, State Fund - \$ 137,571.10, Open Space Fund- \$ 316.00, Fire Fund - \$ 300.00, LST Fund - \$ 657.11

The motion was seconded by John Seese and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

Reports:

- a. The S.E.O. (0), Zoning (9) and Building (14) Reports for July were read. On a motion made by Pam Gardsy and seconded by Kelly Slinger and carried, the reports were accepted as read. All Supervisors voted aye.
- b. The Treasurer's Report for July was read. On a motion made by Pam Gardsy and seconded by Kelly Slinger and carried, the report was accepted as read. All Supervisors voted aye.
- c. The Ambulance Report was read. For the month of July, PMR EMS responded to 62 incidents in Barrett Township bringing the year-to-date to 338. PMR EMS responded to a total of 641 incidents in July bringing the year-to-date to 4,153. On a motion made by Pam Gardsy and seconded by Darryl Speicher and carried, the report was accepted as read. All Supervisors voted aye.
- d. The High Acres Park Committee Meeting Minutes from July 20, 2022 were received. Pam Gardsy made a motion to accept the meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by John Seese and carried. All Supervisors voted aye

Old Business:

- a. The Public Hearing was held for the purpose of approving, adopting, and enacting the Codification Ordinance. It was noted that there was no public comment. Pam Gardsy made a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 201, Codification Ordinance. The motion was seconded by John Seese and carried. All Supervisors voted aye. John Seese made a motion to close the Public Hearing. The motion was seconded by Patti O'Keefe and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.
- b. Pam Gardsy made a motion to schedule a Public Hearing for the Zoning Amendments for the Indoor and Outdoor Shooting Range on Wednesday, September 14, 2022, at 5:30 p.m. the motion was seconded by John Seese and carried. All Supervisors voted ave.
- c. A letter was received from the Most Holy Trinity Parish thanking the Supervisors for their generous donation for the playground equipment. They stated that as the equipment

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is being used for the benefit of the community, the Parish wished that no monetary check was needed and returned the check.

d. A letter was received from Schoenagel & Schoenagel, PLS, granting the Supervisors an extension of review time of an additional 90 days from July 22, 2022, for the Berkowitz Subdivision, Evergreen Lane. Pam Gardsy made a motion to accept the extension of review time until October 22, 2022. The motion was seconded by Darryl Speicher and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

New Business:

- a. Pam Gardsy made a motion to approve the payroll for July 26, 2022, in the amount of \$17,041.80 for gross wages, \$523.18 for state liability, \$4,139.54 for federal tax liability and \$13,402.80 for net wages. The motion was seconded by Kelly Slinger and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.
- b. Dr. Alex Jackson and Craig Todd from the Brodhead Watershed Association were present to discuss the Petition to Re-Designate a segment of the Brodhead Creek from High Quality (HQ) to Exceptional Value (EV) and to ask for a letter of support. Darryl Speicher made a motion to approve the letter of support. The motion was seconded by Patti O'Keefe and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.
- c. Discussion was held on making a donation for the Golf Fundraiser for the Pocono Mountain Council of Governments on Sunday, September 25th. Patti O'Keefe made a motion to make a donation. The motion was seconded by John Seese and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.
- d. Discussion was held on the price quote from Todd Price Nursery for shrubbery and landscaping at the Municipal Building. Pam Gardsy made a motion to approve the price quote in the amount of \$ 1,930.00. The motion was seconded by Kelly Slinger and carried. All Supervisors voted ave.
- e. Pam Gardsy made a motion to approve the renewal rates for the dental insurance with United Concordia Dental for the period of 10/1/2022 through 9/30/2024. The motion was seconded by Patti O'Keefe and carried. All Supervisors voted aye. It was noted that there was no increase in the dental rates.

Correspondence:

- a. A letter was received from the office of Voter Registration and Elections reminding the Supervisors that the Municipal Building will be used on Tuesday, November 8, 2022, for the General Election.
- b. A letter was received from PA DEP informing the Supervisors that they approved the application for a new Individual NPDES Permit for Roy Clark Ag and Residence on Route 191.

Miscellaneous:

a. It was noted that there was no certificate of insurance received.

Russell Young was present to discuss his concerns about the proposed Administrative and Recreation Complex access off White Oak Road. They are against using the access because there are other ways to access the property and there are too many people walking with strollers and their pets, kids on bicycles and opening White Oak Road for access is not a very good idea. None of the neighbors are happy about the situation. Pam Gardsy thanked him for his feedback and stated that she has received several letters and other people expressed their concerns at a previous

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meeting. She also stated that the Supervisors are looking at other alternate locations and the project is in the very preliminary stages.

As there was no further business or public comment, John Seese made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:09 p.m. The motion was seconded by Kelly Slinger and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

Respectfully submitted,

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