

**Barrett Township Supervisors
Minutes of Regular Meeting on December 14, 2022**

A regular meeting of the Barrett Township Supervisors was held on Wednesday, December 14, 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, Patti O'Keefe, Kelly Slinger, 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 November 23, 2022 Meeting were approved on a motion made by Darryl Speicher and seconded by Kelly Slinger and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

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

- November 30, 2022 - General Fund - \$ 76,390.90, Fire Fund - \$ 2,583.98, Park and Recreation Fund - \$ 322.27, Administrative Recreation Complex Fund - \$ 5,283.21, Open Space Fund - \$ 659.60, LST Fund - \$ 5,000.00, Library Fund - \$ 1,104.93, Ambulance Fund - \$ 367.87
- December 7, 2022 - General Fund - \$ 63,031.69, Fire Fund - \$ 494.28, Park and Recreation Fund - \$ 125.00, Open Space Fund - \$ 852.82, Administrative Recreation Complex Fund - \$ 7,180.00

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

Reports:

a. The Treasurer's Report for November 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.

b. The Ambulance Report was read. For the month of November, PMR EMS responded to 62 incidents in Barrett Township bringing the year-to-date to 526. PMR EMS responded to a total of 574 incidents in November bringing the year-to-date to 6,445. 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 S.E.O. (1), Zoning (3) and Building (6) Reports for November 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.

Old Business:

a. Pam Gardsy made a motion to adopt the 2023 Budget. The motion was seconded by John Seese and carried. All Supervisors voted aye. It was noted that there was no public comment.

b. Discussion was held on the update to the repairs at the Barrett School. Pam Gardsy made a motion to approve the installation of new windows with Valley Glass & Copper Works in the amount of \$ 14,360.00. The motion was seconded by John Seese and carried. All Supervisors voted aye. Pam Gardsy reported that the well pump replacement installation for the existing well will not be needed because L.B. Water contacted John Seese to inform him that the meter base pit can be picked up next week for the waterline connection to Aqua PA.

c. Pam Gardsy made a motion to approve the Memorandum of Understanding with Pocono Mountain Music Festival to give them permission to do a feasibility study to see if the space will work for them at the Barrett School. The motion was seconded by Kelly Slinger and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

d. A letter was received from William F. Schoenagel, PLS, requesting an additional 90 day time extension for acting on the subdivision plan until March 7, 2023, for Eli and Miriam Berkowitz and

Bais Menachem. Pam Gardsy made a motion to accept the time extension request. The motion was seconded by Kelly Slinger and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

New Business:

a. Pam Gardsy made a motion to approve the payroll for November 29, 2022, in the amount of \$ 15,706.89 for gross wages, \$ 482.20 for state liability, \$ 3,873.83 for federal tax liability and \$ 12,285.22 for net wages. The motion was seconded by Darryl Speicher and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

b. Pam Gardsy made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 121422 for fixing the Tax Rate for Fiscal Year 2023. The motion was seconded by Darryl Speicher and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

c. Pam Gardsy made a motion to approve the Fireworks Permit for Skytop Lodge on Saturday, December 31, 2022, at 10:30 p.m. The motion was seconded by Kelly Slinger and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

d. The Employees' Christmas Luncheon is on Thursday, December 22, 2022, at 12:00 p.m. and the cost for the luncheon has been donated.

e. Chadwick Bennett and his father, Clifton Bennett were present to discuss his Eagle Scout Project at Mount Wismer. He will be designing and replacing the trail signs. Darryl Speicher made a motion to approve the Eagle Scout Project at Mount Wismer. The motion was seconded by Kelly Slinger and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

Correspondence:

a. It was noted that information was received from PA DEP for the Guidelines for Maintaining Streams in Your Community.

b. A letter was received from the Friendly Community Center thanking the Supervisors for their donation of \$,1500.00 and asking for the Supervisors' approval of a donation of \$ 2,000.00 for 2023.

c. A letter was received from the Monroe County Historical Society informing the Supervisors that they were holding a capital campaign to expand the Stroud Mansion. The estimated cost of the Heritage Center is \$ 7.25 million for the addition. They are requesting the Supervisors consider helping to support their effort.

e. A letter was received from Waste Management informing the Supervisors that there will be a disposal rate increase, effective January 1, 2022.

Miscellaneous:

a. It was noted that certificates of insurance were received from A & E Glass, Inc., C & D Contractor & Sons, Inc., and Pride Mobile Sales LLC.

Peter Pipolo from the Pocono Mountain Rotary Club was present to discuss having more police presence and re-routing traffic for the Halloween Parade next year.

Pam Gardsy made a motion to go into Executive Session at 6:03 p.m. to discuss personnel. The motion was seconded by Kelly Slinger and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

Pam Gardsy made a motion to reconvene the meeting at 6:32 p.m. The motion was seconded by Kelly Slinger and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

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As there was no further business or public comment, Pam Gardsy made a motion to recess the meeting at 6:33 p.m. until the Workshop Meeting on Wednesday, December 21, 2022, at 8:00 a.m. The motion was seconded by Kelly Slinger and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Terry Pinchart". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned below the typed name "Terry Pinchart".