

**Barrett Township Supervisors  
January 20, 2015**

A regular meeting of the Barrett Township Supervisors was held on Tuesday, January 21, 2015 at the Barrett Township Building on Route 390 in Mountainhome, Pa. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 a.m. by Chairman Ralph Megliola. Present: Ralph Megliola, Patti O'Keefe, Loree Guthrie, John Seese, Paul Stotsenburg, Chief Steve Williams and the public. Jeryl Rinehart was absent. There were no public comments on the agenda items.

The Reorganization Meeting minutes of the January 5, 2015 meeting were approved on a motion made by Ralph Megliola and seconded by Paul Stotsenburg and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

**Reports:**

a. The Police Report was read. On a motion made by John Seese and seconded by Loree Guthrie and carried. The Police Report was accepted as read.

**Subdivision:**

a. Maureen Melograno/Pine Hollow Restaurant Minor Subdivision, Route 447, Martin and Robbins Surveying - Terry Martin from Martin and Robbins Surveying and Joseph Nowakowski were present to discuss the minor subdivision plan. The Zoning District for this property is MU-V, Mixed Use-Village. The existing property has an area of 8.09 acres and consists of a single family residential dwelling, one (1) bedroom apartment, office, restaurant/tavern and five (5) storage building. One (1) storage building, adjacent to the restaurant tavern is considered an accessory use. The minor subdivision proposes two (2) lots. Lot 1 is proposed to have an area of 2.207 acres and will consist of four (4) of the existing storage buildings. Access will be provided to this Lot by a proposed access easement through proposed Lot 2. Proposed Lot 2 will have an area of 5.892 acres and will consist of the existing single family residential dwelling, restaurant/tavern and one (1) storage building. Both proposed lots will include existing parking areas. It was noted that the Planning Commission recommended approval of the subdivision plan. Ralph Megliola made a motion to approve the minor subdivision plan. The motion was seconded by Paul Stotsenburg and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

**Old Business:**

a. Ralph Megliola made a motion to appoint Kirk, Summa & Co. as the auditor company for the Township. The motion was seconded by Loree Guthrie and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

**b. It was noted that the new Treasurer's Bond Resolution was tabled. It will be discussed at the next meeting.**

**c. Ralph Megliola gave an update on the Regionalization of the Police Department. Loree Guthrie and Ralph have met twice with the Pocono Mountain Regional Police Commission and they are still working out the details, there is no contract or agreement at this time.**

**New Business:**

**a. A Public Notice of intention to enact the proposed Ordinance authorizing the Township's participation in the PSATS Unemployment Compensation Group Trust was discussed. The proposed Ordinance would confirm Barrett Township's continued membership in the PSATS Unemployment Compensation Group Trust, which consists of governmental units from throughout the Commonwealth of PA that have created an intergovernmental cooperative arrangement to permit participating employers to pool resources to satisfy unemployment compensation obligations in a cost effective manner. John Seese made a motion to adopt the Ordinance. The motion was seconded by Ralph Megliola and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.**

**b. Numerous residents were present to submit a petition to the Supervisors asking that Rick Scrudato be reinstated as the Treasurer and questioning the change in the status of employment from part time to full time for Maintenance employee, Pam Ferro to Executive Secretary/Treasurer, which resulted in the termination of the employment of Rick Scrudato. Ralph Megliola read a brief statement. The residents discussed their concerns about having no job description for the newly created position, possible discrepancies in the budget and financial reports and that the public was given false information and misled by financial information that was given in prior meetings. They also had concerns about why there were no policies and procedures in the hiring and firing of employees. Ralph Megliola stated that there were questions that the Board could not answer questions about personnel without the advice of the Solicitor. Solicitor Todd Weitzmann was unable to attend the meeting due to a previous commitment but would be present at the next monthly meeting.**

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**c. A letter was received from Ellen Kerz from Ellen Kerz Interiors, Inc., concerning the solicitation of signatures for the petition in her business. She has a No Solicitation sign posted at her business. She was asking for the courtesy from the public to honor her rules of business concerning solicitation.**

**Miscellaneous:**

**a. It was noted that certificates of insurance were received from Waste Management of Pennsylvania and Rapp Signs, Inc.**

**Ralph Megliola made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel matters at 8:30 a.m. The motion was seconded by Paul Stotsenburg and carried. All Supervisors voted aye. Ralph Megliola made a motion to reconvene the meeting at 8:40 a.m. The motion was seconded by Loree Guthrie and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.**

**As there were no further business or public comment, Ralph Megliola made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 a.m. The motion was seconded by Loree Guthrie and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

*Terry Rinehart*