

**Barrett Township Supervisors
February 26, 2013**

A regular meeting of the Barrett Township Supervisors was held on Tuesday, February 26, 2013 at the Barrett Township Building on Route 390 in Mountainhome, Pa. The meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by Chairman Ralph Megliola.

Present: Ralph Megliola, William Pipolo, Jr., Loree Guthrie, John Seese, Paul Stotsenburg, Chief Steve Williams, Rick Scrudato, Jeryl Rinehart and the public. There were no public comments on the agenda items.

The meeting minutes of the February 13, 2013 meeting were approved on a motion made by Ralph Megliola and seconded by Paul Stotsenburg and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

Ralph Megliola made a motion to approve the payment of bills for February 14, 2013 from the General Fund in the amount of \$ 16,747.80 and from the LST Fund in the amount of \$ 6,725.91 and for February 21, 2013 from the General Fund in the amount of \$ 53,430.09, from the Fire Fund in the amount of \$ 314.98 and from the LST Fund in the amount of \$ 4,363.09 . The motion was seconded by John Seese and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

Old Business:

a. Discussion was held on the bids for road materials. It was noted that Solicitor Todd Weitzmann and Township Engineer Jon Tresslar reviewed the bids. Ralph Megliola made a motion to award the following bids.

1) Hanson Aggregates submitted the lowest responsible bids for the following items:

- ¼" Stock Patch - \$ 90.00/ton FOB
- Anti-Skid - \$ 9.50/ton FOB

2) E.R. Linde Construction Corp. submitted the lowest responsible bids for the following items:

- Rip Rap (D50 9") - \$ 14.00/ton Delivered
- Rip Rap (D50 12") - \$ 16.00/ton Delivered
- Crushed Stone AASHTO # 57 at \$ 7.50/ton FOB
- Crushed Stone PennDOT 2A at \$ 4.95/ton FOB

The motion was seconded by Loree Guthrie and carried. All the Supervisors voted aye.

b. It was noted that the Public Hearing for the Zoning Ordinance changes went very well and the Supervisors were pleased with the public participation. Several more public hearings will be scheduled in the future. Tom Dente stated his concerns

on the Agricultural Section and raising livestock. He will give the Supervisors a list of his concerns to discuss at the next meeting. It was also noted that the extra Planning Commission meeting to discuss the Zoning Ordinance changes has been cancelled for Wednesday, February 27, 2013.

c. Ralph Megliola made a motion to approve and sign the F.E.M.A Disaster Relief worksheets for the work done during Hurricane Sandy. The motion was seconded by John Seese and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

New Business:

a. Ralph Megliola made a motion to approve payroll for February 21, 2013 in the amount of \$ 33,102.37 for gross wages, \$ 1,016.24 for state tax liability, \$ 8,607.61 for federal tax liability and \$ 25,579.06 for net wages. The motion was seconded by Paul Stotsenburg and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

b. Discussion was held on the Petition Form for the Upgrade of Cranberry Creek that was received from the Brodhead Watershed Association. They are requesting a letter of support from the Supervisors to upgrade the stream to exceptional value waters. Ralph Megliola made a motion to do a letter of support for the upgrade of Cranberry Creek. The motion was seconded by Paul Stotsenburg and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

c. Carol Hillstead from the Open Space Committee and Dawn Gorham, Executive Director of the Pocono Heritage Land Trust were present to discuss the Open Space properties. Dawn Gorham submitted a list and a map of Open Space, Parks and Protected Properties. They are working on a county wide map to give the public information on the location of the properties, parking areas and what activities are allowed on each property.

d. Ralph Megliola made a motion to accept the AG-385 Report for the Municipal Pension and Fire Relief Programs Unit for the total Uniform Wages in the amount of \$ 376,401.61 and for the Non-Uniform Wages in the amount of \$ 223,433.73. The motion was seconded by John Seese and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

e. Discussion was held on adjustments to the 2013 Budget. Judy Linder recommended that a budget adjustment be made to the LST Account with the Vehicle Maintenance and Repairs being changed to \$ 33, 230.00 and the Road Maintenance and Repairs being changed to \$ 1,000.00. Ralph Megliola made a motion to approve the adjustments based on Judy Linder's recommendation. The motion was seconded by Loree Guthrie and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

f. Rick Scrudato reported that a check was received from the Friendly Community Center for \$ 36,111.00 which was deposited into the General Account and a new check was issued to LaToya Trucking, the General Contractor for the Friendly Community Center.

g. John Seese reported that he attended the C.O.G. meeting on Monday, February 25, 2013 and the new officers are Alan Everett, Chairman from Hamilton Township, Jack Rader, Vice Chairman from Jackson Township , Annie Lamberton, Secretary from Tobyhanna Township and Steve Carey, Treasurer from Smithfield Township.

h. John Seese reported that the traffic light in Canadensis is being repaired after it was damaged during a traffic accident. He reported that the baseball field fence at High Acres Park was also damaged during a traffic accident.

Miscellaneous:

a. It was noted that no certificates of insurance were received.

Discussion was held on the Pocono Mountain School Boarding meeting that was held on Monday, February 25, 2013. The Supervisors are opposed to the closing of the Barrett Elementary School.

It was noted that a letter was received from the Monroe County Municipal Waste Authority stating that they are committed to educating County residents in the proper management and handling of its municipal waste and they welcome the opportunity to participate in Township events and they will provide the public with valuable information.

As there were no further business or public comment, Ralph Megliola made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:25 a.m. The motion was seconded by William Pipolo, Jr. and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

Respectfully submitted,

Terry Rinehart