

Amity Township Board of Supervisors
Meeting Minutes

January 3, 2017

Call to Order/Pledge to the Flag

The January 3, 2017 meeting of the Amity Township Board of Supervisors, held at the Township Municipal Building, 2004 Weavertown Road., Douglassville, Berks County, Pennsylvania, was called to order at 7:00 PM by Paul Weller. The following were in attendance:

SUPERVISORS

Paul Weller
Terry Jones
David Hackett

STAFF

Troy Bingaman, Manager
Andrew Kensey, Chief of Police
Kevin Musheno, Solicitor/Kozloff Stoudt
Alistair Howell-Clarke, Roadmaster
Steve Loomis, Building Code Official
Dave Wheeler, Waste Water Treatment Plant Superintendent
Pamela Kisch, Secretary

This meeting, having been advertised as the reorganization meeting and regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors for Amity Township, began as required by the Second Class Township Code with reorganization:

REORGANIZATION:

Nomination/Election of Temporary Chairperson

Motion by Mr. Jones, seconded by Mr. Weller to nominate Kevin Musheno as temporary Chairperson. Motion passed unanimously.

Nomination/Election of Temporary Secretary

Motion by Mr. Hackett, seconded by Mr. Jones to nominate Pamela Kisch as temporary Secretary. Motion passed unanimously.

Nomination/Election of Chairperson

Motion by Mr. Weller, seconded by Mr. Hackett to nominate Kim McGrath as Chairperson for 2017. Motion passed unanimously.

Nomination/Election of Vice Chairperson

Motion by Mr. Jones, seconded by Mr. Weller to nominate Dave Hackett as Vice Chairperson for 2017. Motion passed unanimously.

Slate of Appointments for 2017

Upon a motion by Mr. Jones, seconded by Mr. Hackett, the following slate of appointments was affirmed as presented:

Secretary	Pamela Kisch
Assistant Secretary	Kathie Benson
Accountant / Treasurer	Tracy Nonamaker
Township Manager	Troy Bingaman

PUBLIC COMMENT (AGENDA ITEMS ONLY)

None

MINUTES

Mr. Hackett moved, seconded by Mr. Jones to approve the minutes of December 21, 2016. Motion passed, 3-0.

FINANCE

Mr. Jones moved, seconded by Mr. Hackett to approve the following disbursements:

\$ 49,068.28	General Fund
\$ 43,289.32	Sewer Fund
\$ 1,693.13	EDU Fund
<u>\$ 94,050.73</u>	Total

Motion passed, 3-0.

The Board reviewed the Overtime by Department Report and had no questions.

REPORTS

Code Enforcement - Mr. Loomis reported approximately 49 properties are still non-compliant with the SMO inspections. Mr. Weller asked why the hearing was set for June for property maintenance issues that remain at 8 Riga Lane. Mr. Loomis stated the pallets were all removed and three “sea boxes” remain on the property. The owner of the property is exploring other alternatives such as erecting a structure to provide additional storage and remove the sea boxes.

Road Department - Mr. Weller questioned what happened to the Leaf Vac. Mr. Howell-Clarke replied that the hydraulic pump for the arm was replaced. The computer board also went bad. Leaf collection was completed by hand in December.

Waste Water Treatment Plant - Mr. Wheeler reported Wexcon finished the sewer line repairs in Amity Gardens. Wexcon will be back in the spring for repaving. Mr. Howell-Clarke stated he will be monitoring the repaving. Mr. Wheeler reported the lining company will continue working over the new few weeks. Mr. Weller asked if the aerators were installed. Mr. Wheeler explained the aerators will be installed in the spring, once there is no chance of freezing temperatures.

OLD BUSINESS

None

SOLICITOR’S REPORT

A copy of the proposed amendment to the SALDO Ordinance regarding *recreation fees* was submitted to the Berks County Planning Commission (BCPC) for comments. Mr Musheno reported the BCPC had one minor comment to make a language change. The BCPC felt the word “and” in Section 519(c)(12) implied that agricultural land development would offer an additional 0.001 acres of land for dedication to the 0.006 acres for nonresidential land developments. If the intention was to provide minimum acreage requirements for the three different types of land development the BCPC recommended changing the language from “and” to “or”; or adding a period at the end of each requirement. The advertisement for the adoption of the proposed amendment must be done twice, with the second advertisement being done seven days prior to enactment. Mr. Musheno requested permission to advertise for consideration of the amendment at the first meeting in February.

in the physical agility portion of the process. The Chief is preparing an *annual crime report*, which will be presented to the Board.

SUPERVISORS

None

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

ADJOURNMENT

At 7:24PM, with there being no further business, Mr. Jones made a motion, seconded by Mr. Hackett to adjourn to executive session, without intent to return for discussion regarding Collective Bargaining and personnel matters. Motion passed, 3-0. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Pamela L. Kisch
Township Secretary