

Paupack Township Board of Supervisors

Meeting Minutes

January 9, 2014

The Paupack Township Board of Supervisors conducted their monthly meeting on Thursday, January 9, 2014 at the Township Municipal Building. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 P.M. by Chairperson Bruce Chandler.

The following Township Officials were present at the meeting:

Bruce Chandler, Chairperson
Diana Stromberg, Secretary

Tom Oakley, Supervisor
Ronald Bugaj, Solicitor

Leigh Gilbert, Supervisor

The following members of the public were present at the meeting:

Katie Collins

Jean Corey

Karen Lutz

Alice Marz

George Ammerman

Chairperson Bruce Chandler opened the meeting by asking all present to participate in the Pledge of Allegiance. The minutes of the December 12, 2013 Supervisors Meeting were presented. A motion was made by Tom Oakley to approve the meeting minutes seconded by Leigh Gilbert. All approved.

The Treasurer's Report was presented. Tom Oakley made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as submitted seconded by Leigh Gilbert. All voted yes to accept the Treasurer's Report.

The bills, totaling \$54,640.51, were presented. Following a review, Bruce Chandler made a motion to accept the bills as presented, and pay same, dated December 13, 2013 to January 9, 2014. Tom Oakley seconded the motion. All voted yes to accept and pay the bills as presented. A list of the bills is on file.

Grant for Recreation Park: Planning Consultant Jim Martin gave explanation of the recent grant application for \$150,000 submitted to the DCED for construction of a walking trail and resurfacing of the tennis courts at the recreation park. DCED has approved the grant for \$97,243. The remaining amount will be covered by the Township. He also stated that there is a pending grant for a salt barn, pole barn and repaving of the parking lot at the township building location.

Cable Franchise Tax: Solicitor Bugaj presented two agreements that he drew up for review by the supervisors. One is for Blue Ridge Communications and the other for Adams Communications. The Supervisors will review and extend an invitation to each company to discuss at the next meeting.

Amendment of Zoning Ordinance: Leigh Gilbert and Jim Martin agreed that a workshop should be held between Hawley Borough, Palmyra and Paupack Townships for discussing any changes that they would want to make to the existing zoning ordinance. Jim Martin stated he sent an email to them asking if they had anything to add to it. He will let the supervisors know of their response. Mr. Martin has also reached out to DCED to seek funds to back us up. A decision has to be made whether we amend the existing ordinance individually or in partnership and whether to do it with or without funding. Either way, we would still have to go through the process of a public hearing.

Appointment of New Planning Commission Member: The supervisors have asked Robert Kiley to fill the vacancy on the Planning Commission Board due to the resignation of Chairperson William Igoe. Mr. Kiley has accepted. A motion was made by Bruce Chandler seconded by Tom Oakley to appoint Robert Kiley to the Planning Commission Board. All approved.

Fire Department Log: There were 15 calls during the month of December, 2013. There was a total number of 152 calls for the year 2013.

Ambulance Log: A call log was not received from Wayne Ambulance in time for this meeting.

Building & Zoning Update: Leigh Gilbert gave an update on building and zoning permits applied for during the month of December, 2013.

New Business: Supervisor Tom Oakley stated that the Lakeville Fire Department expressed their sincere thanks to Paupack Township for responding to help with multiple vehicular accidents and fire calls during the inclement weather this past month.

A motion was made by Bruce Chandler seconded by Tom Oakley to approve the contract from Woodland Design for the design fees associated with the DCED grant at the recreation park. All is contingent upon review of the contract by Solicitor Ron Bugaj.

Correspondence: There was no incoming correspondence since last meeting.

Public Comment: There was no public comment.

Having no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 7:50pm by Chairperson Bruce Chandler.

Respectfully Submitted,


Diana Stromberg/ Secretary