

Paupack Township Board of Supervisors

January 11, 2018

The Paupack Township Board of Supervisors conducted their monthly meeting on Thursday January 11, 2018 at the Township Municipal Building. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM by Chairman Bruce Chandler.

The following Township Officials were present at the meeting

Bruce Chandler, Chairman Leigh Gilbert, Supervisor Jim Martin, Supervisor Ron Bugaj, Solicitor
Marianne Unger, Secretary/Treasurer

The following members of the public were present at the meeting

Frank William Vernon Perry Bob Rozema Melanie Stockwell Karen Lutz Mike Jezercal

Chairman Bruce Chandler opened the meeting by asking all present to participate in the Pledge of Allegiance. The meeting Minutes for the December 14, 2017 Board of Supervisors were presented. A motion was made by Leigh Gilbert, and seconded by Jim Martin to approve the minutes as presented. The motion carried 3 – 0.

The Treasurers Report was presented. A motion was made by Leigh Gilbert, and seconded by Jim Martin to accept the Treasurers Report as presented. The motion carried 3 – 0.

The bills totaling \$33,954.45 from December 15, 2017 through January 11, 2018 were presented. Following a review a motion was made by Jim Martin to accept the bills as presented, and pay same, seconded by Bruce Chandler. The motion carried 3 – 0.

Subdivisions

There were none for the month of December 2017

Building and Zoning

For the month of December 2017: 1 Deck, 1 Pole Barn, and 1 Garage.

Fire Call Log

For the month of December 2017: 1 Landing Zone, 2 Medical Assists, 5 Motor Vehicle Accidents, 1 Structure Fire, 1 Mutual aid. For the year 2017 there were 141 Calls.

Ambulance Call Log

There was no Ambulance Call Log received.

Correspondence

There wasn't any correspondence received.

Old Business

The topic of the Dollar General was raised. From Leigh, basically they have completed all the requests that the Township has made, the last of which was the lettering on the sign located on the building. The Wayne County Conservation District still has an issue. It is believed that the problem has to do with surface drainage from the property.

Act 42, regarding casinos: We have not received any information as to how this act will impact the Township.

Mr. Faulk update: A new hearing date has been set for January 18, 2018 at 11:00 AM in Hawley. Mr. Faulk had previously agreed to have a contractor under contract to make necessary repairs. The topic of continuing to move forward with this issue would result in taking Mr. Faulk to The Court of Common Pleas to seek a judgment in favor of the Township acquiring the property so it can be cleaned up, and made safe. Jim Martin made a motion to pursue a judgment against Mr. Faulk in The Court of Common Pleas, seconded by Leigh Gilbert. The vote carried 3 - 0.

An update was given on Resolution 2017-36. This resolution deals with maps and deeds being recorded at the Wayne County Court House. It will charge the Planning Commission to see everyone has information for compliance at Planning

Commission Meetings. In a nutshell maps will not be released until the Township has a copy of the proposed deeds to be recorded.

New Business

There wasn't any new business heard.

Public Comment

There were numerous comments that were made on several topics, the most popular was the property maintenance issue with Mr. Faulk, and the hearing that is set for January 18, 2018 before The Honorable Bonny Carney. Solicitor Bugaj gave a rundown of the procedure that will be used. The Board of Supervisors had made a motion last month to have Attorney Bugaj move forward with the Court of Common Pleas to seize the property. This action would result in the Township owning the property, and cleaning it up, along with making the site safe. Following that the Township would advertise to sell the property to recoup the costs of cleaning it up.

Chairman Chandler asked if there was any other business to come before the Board. Hearing none the meeting was adjourned at 6:45 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,



Leigh Gilbert, Supervisor