

# Paupack Township Board of Supervisors

November 9, 2017

The Paupack Township Board of Supervisors conducted their monthly meeting on Thursday November 9, 2017 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      Ronald Bugaj, Esq.

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

Dennis Stinson      Frank Porcoro      Katie Collins      Frank Williams      George Ammerman      Melanie Stockwell  
Steve Kaminsky      Karen Lutz

Chairman Bruce Chandler opened the meeting by asking all present to participate in the Pledge of Allegiance. The meeting minutes for the October 12, 2017 Board of Supervisors were presented. A motion was made by Jim Martin, and seconded by Leigh Gilbert, to approve the minutes as presented. The motion carried 3 – 0.

The Treasurers Report was presented; a motion was made by Bruce Chandler to accept the Treasurers Report as presented, and seconded by Leigh Gilbert. The motion carried 3 – 0.

The bills totaling \$120,155.38 from October 13, 2017 through November 9, 2017 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

**Lyon 2017-16:** This is a boundary adjustment. It starts with 3 lots, and ends with 3 lots. The Township did not receive a deed in time for this meeting. Dennis Stinson of Kiley Associates will follow up with Attorney Magnotta on the deed. Bruce Chandler made a motion to give this boundary adjustment a conditional approval, that condition is that we receive a good deed in a timely fashion. The motion was seconded by Jim Martin. The motion carried 3 – 0.

## New Business

Jim Martin introduced a resolution regarding deeds. Jim Martin made a motion to approve this resolution. The issue with deeds is that some incidents have occurred where the Township has not received updated deeds since the first of the year. A myriad of comments were heard regarding this matter. Solicitor Bugaj is being tasked to look into this matter, and what we can do legally. One solution would be to have special language on the map that explains that a deed is required to record a map. This entire issue will be dealt with at the December meeting. There was no second heard on this motion, and no vote taken.

A contract was received from Brian Kelly & Associates to be appointed the Townships Accounting Firm for the year 2018. Bruce Chandler made a motion to approve this contract, seconded by Jim Martin. The motion carried 3 – 0.

Bruce Chandler made a motion to appoint Supervisor Jim Martin as the contact person for the Township's Pension Fund, seconded by Leigh Gilbert. The motion carried 3 – 0.

Bruce Chandler stated that the Township has arrived at a balanced budget, without having to raise taxes. Bruce offered kudos to Secretary Treasurer Marianne Unger for her hard work in putting together all the numbers necessary to bring this budget to the table. Bruce also thanked Jim Martin and Leigh Gilbert for their part in making this happen. Bruce made a motion to advertise that the budget was available for public viewing, and that it will come to the table for adoption at the December 14, 2017 Supervisors Meeting, Jim Martin seconded the motion. The motion carried 3 – 0.

Bruce made a motion to donate \$10,000.00 to the Watershed Management District; this is something we do each year. Jim Martin seconded the motion. The motion carried 3 – 0.

Some discussion was had on a Planning Commission vacancy. Bruce made a motion to appoint Mr. David Boogertman to the Planning Commission, seconded by Jim Martin. The vote carried 3 – 0.

**Act 42:** This act is to deal with gaming (casinos) and is 937 pages long. In a nut shell, this Act does not look like it is going anywhere, and will expire December 31, 2017.

**PPL Utilities:** The Township received a notice from PPL Utilities regarding their right-of-way encroachment, and or easements agreements. They are requesting that the Township ask Builders and Residents if they will be encroaching on PPL's right-of- way or easements when they make a request for a building permit. If the answer is a yes, then we should direct them to PPL for a right-of-way encroachment application.

## **Old Business**

**Fauk Hearing:** This hearing will take place on November 21, 2017 at 1:00 PM before The Honorable Bonny Carney in Hawley, Pennsylvania. Solicitor Bugaj asks that everyone that can be there please make your presents known.

**Orcinoli Update:** Everything is on its way. The hearing was in Mr. Orcinoli's favor. He has received all the necessary permitting, and his project is on its way.

**Building & Zoning:** Bruce Chandler read off the call log. 2 Houses, 2 Additions, 3 Garages, [1 commercial], 6 Sheds, 2 Decks, and 1 Porch. 16 total permits taken out.

**Fire Company Log:** The copy of the fire log has gone missing. There were approximately 7 calls in Lakeville, and 5 at the sub-station located at Wallenpaupack Lake Estates.

**Ambulance Log:** The report was not received in time for the meeting.

## **Correspondence**

The correspondence that was received was all part of the above subdivision.

Chairman Chandler asked if there was anything else to come before the board, hearing none the meeting was adjourned at 7:10 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Leigh Gilbert, Supervisor