

THE TOBYHANNA TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING  
JUNE 15, 2020

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The June 2020 Regular Business Meeting of the Tobyhanna Township Board of Supervisors (“Board”) was held on June 15, 2020, via GoToMeeting due to COVID-19 restrictions.

Present are Supervisors John Kerrick, David Carbone, Brendon Carroll, Lloyd Vought, and John Holahan at 6:07. Solicitor Jonathan J. Reiss, Esq., Manager Robert Bartal, and Assistant Manager Autumn Canfield are also present.

1. Chair John Kerrick calls the meeting to order at 6:00PM. A quorum is present.
2. The Pledge of Allegiance is recited.
3. Public Questions and Comments on meeting agenda items.
  - a. Robert Bartal reads a comment that was submitted by Mike Christian before the meeting. People are walking on the incorrect side of the road, and it’s a danger to pedestrians. There should be road signs directing pedestrians which side to walk on for safety. It is also a state law.
  - b. Ed Tutrone asks if the bill for the work done on Caughbaugh Rd is on the bill pack tonight. The Board replies yes. Ed Tutrone asks if anyone has inspected the work; less than two weeks after it was graded there were potholes. Brendon Carroll states he inspected the road twice. Ed Tutrone asks if the Board is satisfied with the potholes. Brendon Carroll states his last inspection was three and a half weeks ago and there were no potholes. Lloyd Vought states there are five or six areas of the road that should be addressed before paying Papillon & Moyer. Brendon Carroll states he and David Carbone will inspect the road tomorrow.
4. Announcements:
  - a. The Board held executive sessions on May 11, 2020 from 8:30AM to 9:20AM, May 18, 2020 from 8:30AM to 9:00AM, May 26, 2020 from 8:30AM to 9:12AM, June 8, 2020 from 8:30AM to 9:35AM.
5. Minutes:
  - a. David Carbone motions to accept the meeting minutes for the May 18, 2020 Regular Business Meeting, Brendon Carroll seconds. Vote: all in favor; motion carries.
6. Treasurer’s Report:
  - a. Brendon Carroll motions to approve the May 2020 Treasurer’s Report, David Carbone seconds. Vote: all in favor; motion carries.

7. Bill Pack:

- a. David Carbone motions to approve the bill pack in the amount of \$362,527.04, Brendon Carroll seconds. Vote: Lloyd Vought opposed, Brendon Carroll and David Carbone in favor, John Kerrick abstains; motion fails.

John Holahan arrives at 6:07. John Holahan motions to approve the bill pack excepting the Papillon & Moyer invoices for the Caughbaugh Rd, David Carbone seconds. Vote: all in favor; motion carries.

8. Solicitor's Report:

- a. Third Amendment to Intermunicipal Sewage Collection & Disposal Services Agreement & Resolution 2020-010. Jonathan Reiss states this is an amendment to the intermunicipal agreement with Pocono Township for the Sewer District #1, extending the letter of credit for pretreatment that Kalahari is required to place for a period of 6 months. Brendon Carroll votes to approve the amendment and pass resolution 2020-010, David Carbone seconds. Vote: all in favor; motion carries.

9. Old Business - none.

10. New Business:

- a. Consider Amendment to LSA Grant Cooperation Agreement with MCIDA [I-380 ramp project]: Tabled.
- b. Lake Naomi - request to change signs: Robert Bartal states Lake Naomi has requested to change 32 of its signs at no cost to the Township. They want to remove the "Drive like your kids live here" signs and replace them with instructions for pedestrians and cyclists. David Carbone motions to approve the change, Brendon Carroll seconds. Vote: all in favor; motion carries.
- c. Consider awarding the 2020 Road Paving Project Bid: John Kerrick states bids were received from H & K Group, Inc., Barker & Barker Paving, Hanson Aggregates PA, LLC, and Wayco Inc. Brendon Carroll motions to award the 2020 Road Paving Project Bid to H & K Group Inc. in the amount of \$477,249.71, David Carbone seconds. Brendon Carroll states the project is for T-217, T-220, T-221, T-224, T-225, T-226, T-227 with alternates being T-627, T-645, T-658, Tobyhanna Township Government Center parking area #1, Tobyhanna Township Government Center parking area #2, Bike & Hike trailhead area, miscellaneous lining, excavation, and mill and fill. Brendon Carroll amends his motion to the full bid amount of \$719,713.00, David Carbone amends his second. Lloyd Vought asks for the other bid totals to be read aloud. Brendon Carroll states Barker & Barker Paving bid for \$868,917.65, Hanson Aggregates PA, LLC bid for \$910,788.80, and Wayco Inc. bid for \$917,039.72. Vote: all in favor; motion carries.

- d. Consider Resolution 2020-011 Multimodal Transportation Fund Grant Application - from Commonwealth Financing Authority in an amount not to exceed \$3,000,000: Autumn Canfield states this item and item E are for the Pocono Summit West corridor transportation project. Brendon Carroll motions to approve the resolution, David Carbone seconds. Vote: all in favor; motion carries.
- e. Consider Resolution 2020-012 Multimodal Transportation Fund Grant Application - from Pennsylvania Department of Transportation in an amount not to exceed \$3,000,000: Brendon Carroll motions to approve the resolution, David Carbone seconds. Vote: all in favor; motion carries.
- f. Consider approving VSCP (Volunteer Service Credit Program) applicant: Brendon Carroll motions to approve the VSCP applicant, David Carbone seconds. Vote: all in favor; motion carries.
- g. Consider Enviro Air Remedies, LLC Proposal [Gov't. Center Building air duct cleaning]: David Carbone asks if this is the same company who did it last time. Autumn Canfield states it was previously done by GMK Enterprises. Brendon Carroll asks if there were any other bids. Robert Bartal states there was a bid from Duct City for \$6,472.22. David Carbone motions to accept Enviro Air Remedies proposal for air duct cleaning at \$2,756.00, Brendon Carroll seconds. Vote: all in favor; motion carries.
- h. Consider PMREMS request for letters of support - financial aid: David Carbone motions to send the letter of support, Brendon Carroll seconds. John Kerrick states he wants to set up a committee to work with PMREMS on financial issues and ask for volunteers. Vote: all in favor; motion carries.
- i. Consider renewing Bureau Veritas Lease Agreement: Brendon Carroll motions to renew the Bureau Veritas Lease Agreement for another year at \$8,400 per year, John Holahan seconds. Vote: all in favor; motion carries.
- j. Consider Resolution 2020-013 amending the effective date of Declaration of Disaster Emergency due to the COVID-19 Pandemic: Robert Bartal states this extends the declaration to September 2, 2020. David Carbone motions to adopt the resolution, Brendon Carroll seconds. Vote: all in favor; motion carries.
- k. Accept Lloyd Vought's resignation from PM COG, PMREMS, NID and Sewer Authorities and Budget and Finance Committee: John Kerrick states he will ask for volunteers to fill the positions, otherwise he will appoint these at the next meeting. John Holahan motions to accept the resignations, David Carbone seconds. Vote: John Holahan, Brendon Carroll, David Carbone, and John Kerrick in favor; Lloyd Vought says "Mr. Kerrick;" motion carries.
- l. Consider appointments to vacancies: This item is not discussed.

11. Board of Supervisors' Report:

- a. John Kerrick states Blakeslee Community Center is applying for an LSA grant and has asked for a letter of support and for someone to help "shepherd it through." They are trying to renovate the building. Brendon Carroll motions to send a letter of support, David Carbone seconds. Autumn Canfield states "shepherd it through" may involve the Township applying for the grant. Brendon Carroll amends his motion to include the possibility of the Township being the applicant, David Carbone seconds. John Holahan recommends the Township utilize Jason Fitzgerald for this. Vote: all in favor; motion carries.
- b. David Carbone states the Board previously agreed to send Pocono Mountain Volunteer Fire Company (PMVFC) \$12,000 for assisting with coverage during the time Pocono Summit Volunteer Fire Company was out of commission. PMVFC assisted for two years and only received one \$6,000 check. The Board discusses the whereabouts of the second \$6,000 check. David Carbone motions to submit \$6,000 to Mount Pocono Fire Department for service, Brendon Carroll seconds. Vote: all in favor; motion carries.
- c. Lloyd Vought states before the Caughbaugh road project Dave Moyer stated that what little bit of extra stone would be needed would be at no charge. While campaigning for supervisor, he spoke to over 2,000 residents and at least 500 of them complained about how the Township deals with paving and excavating companies. The supervisors should take steps to improve the Township's image and work to gain the trust of residents.

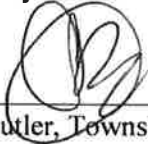
12. Public Comment - none.

13. David Carbone motions to adjourn, Brendon Carroll seconds. Meeting adjourned at 6:32 PM.

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Minutes recorded by Matthew Helbers

Respectfully submitted:



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Crystal Butler, Township Secretary