

THE TOBYHANNA TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING
MAY 3, 2021

The May 2021 Regular Business Meeting of the Tobyhanna Township Board of Supervisors was held on May 3, 2021, via GoToMeeting due to COVID-19 restrictions.

Present are Supervisors John Kerrick, David Carbone, Brendon Carroll, John Holahan, III and Rachel Schickling. Solicitor Jonathan J. Reiss, Esq., Manager Robert Bartal, and Assistant Manager Autumn Canfield are also present.

1. John Kerrick calls the meeting to order at 6:00PM. A quorum is present.
2. The Pledge of Allegiance is recited.
3. Public Comments on Agenda Items: None.
4. Announcements: None.
5. May 3, 2021 Bill Pack: John Holahan motions to approve the May 3, 2021 Bill Pack in the amount of \$96,096.79, Brendon Carroll seconds. Vote: all in favor; motion carries.
6. Solicitor Report: No report.
7. Manager's Report:
 - a. TEC Requesting Recording of May 17, 2021 Work Session: Robert Bartal states the TEC would normally come in for the meeting but because of the pandemic they would like to review the recording. The Board has consensus to release the recording through a Right to Know Request.
8. Old Business: None.
9. New Business:
 - a. Consider Authorizing to Advertise Surplus Items for Sale: David Carbone motions to advertise the Surplus Items for bid, John Holahan, seconds. Robert Bartal states there is an 11-foot plow, a 12-foot plow, and the 2000 International Truck with plow and spreader that is being advertised for bid. Vote: all in favor; motion carries.
 - b. Consider Authorizing to Advertise a Public Hearing for Phase 1 Zoning Map Changes: Autumn Canfield reviews the proposed zoning map changes for 25 parcels on Route 940 in Pocono Summit area. John Holahan motions to advertise, David Carbone seconds. Vote: all in favor; motion carries.
 - c. Award 2021 Road Paving Bid: Robert Bartal reviews the bids received. He states all the bids were below the budget amount for the year. John Holahan motions to award the base bid to H&K, the lowest bidder, in the amount of \$550,068.20, Brendon Carroll seconds. Vote: all in favor; motion carries. John Holahan motions to award the additional bid to H&K, the lowest bidder, in the amount of \$172,630.82, David Carbone seconds. Vote: all in favor; motion carries. Rachel Schickling states there are other roads in the township that should also be addressed. David Carbone states they will be discussing additional roads in the next DPW meeting.
10. Board of Supervisors Report:
 - a. John Kerrick reviews the request of fire fund money release for TTVFC to purchase a new aerial vehicle. David Carbone recommends tabling the topic until more information can be made

available. John Kerrick states the fire company was looking for a quick response as there is a deadline with the truck manufacturing company to secure the deal. Ed Tutrone reviews the circumstance of how this deal on the new truck came about. He continues to state they have made a deal to sell their older aerial vehicle. The Board has questions as to why there was a need to sell the old truck and purchase a new one. Ed Tutrone reviews the specs on the new truck stating they would have purchased a truck similar to the new truck if they knew Kalahari was coming into the township as to better provide support.

David Carbone motions to have a special meeting with the Board of Supervisors and the Fire Commission to discuss the release of funds and the specs on the vehicle. There was no second, the motion dies. Ed Tutrone states the fire company does not need to supply specs for their vehicles. John Kerrick asks Ed Tutrone if the fire company would purchase this new vehicle and if it has everything they need or if they are settling. Ed Tutrone states there are minor items needed but they are getting those items included and the fire company is not settling. The Board asks how soon they could schedule a special meeting. John Holahan motions to release the funds. There was no second, the motion dies. Crystal Butler states there needs to be a 24-hour notice advertised and a three-day lead time with the paper. The Board directs Crystal Butler to check to see if they can advertise a meeting for that following Friday.

- b. John Holahan states he has started to put together the Short Term Rental Committee and he is looking for two more people. He also reviews some of the information he has gathered in regards to short term rentals in the HOA's of the township.
- c. Rachel Schickling asks if a donation could be considered for the loss of an EMS family member. The staff will check for availability in the donation fund.

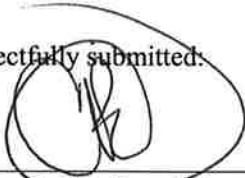
11. Public Questions and Comments:

- a. Ed Tutrone states Troy Counterman passes on a message of thanks for the Supervisors continued support.
- b. Denise Wash asks for clarification of the comments from the Board on short term rental. They clarify that John Holahan was just updating the establishment of the committee.

12. Meeting adjourned at 6:37PM.

Minutes recorded by Crystal Butler

Respectfully submitted:



Crystal Butler, Township Secretary