



# SHOHOLA TOWNSHIP

## Board of Supervisors

George C. Fluhr, Gregory P. Hoepfer, Keith W. Raser  
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## SPECIAL MEETING

### February 26, 2013

#### ATTENDANCE:

Supervisors; Chairman George C. Fluhr, Vice-Chairman, Gregory Hoepfer, Supervisor, Keith Raser, Solicitor, Jason Ohliger, Secretary, Diana Blume, and representing the Fire Department, Chief Clint Malzahn as well as others on the attached list.

Chairman Fluhr called the meeting to order at 9:03am.  
Pledge of Allegiance recited.

#### Old Business:

- Ambulance Services In Shohola Township

**Chairman Fluhr** – Opened the meeting by stating that the Board is committed to insuring the highest quality of emergency service. The Fire Department requested that this Board look into a few incidents regarding Pike ALS and this meeting is to do just that. Chairman Fluhr also stated that he was very upset that Pike ALS used policies and fear to get residents of Shohola to sign a petition. What was most disturbing when members of Pike ALS went to St. Ann's Roman Catholic Church over the weekend and pushed their political petition on churchgoers while leaving the mass.

**Solicitor Ohliger** – For the record, the Special Meeting was properly advertised. Also, the incidents being addressed are being read from a document that was sent to Kyle Wright via email on Friday, February 22, 2013, which is a summary of the complaints made by the Fire Department.

**Chief Malzahn** – went through four separate incidents individually that were provided through written statements made by various members of Shohola Township Volunteer Fire & Rescue.

**Kyle Wright** representing Pike County ALS – addressed each incident with supporting statements from medics, along with documentation defending their position.

**Supervisor Raser** made the statement that within the last six months several people have come forward to the Supervisors complaining about the level of service provided by Pike County ALS. He stated that he realizes that whomever you have a for a service provider someone is going to complain, however, there have been a lot of complaints in the last few months.

**Chairman Fluhr** asked the following questions:  
Who owns Pike ALS. **Mary Lou Corbet** answered no one.

Are you a non-profit? **Mary Lou Corbet:** Yes

Does anyone invest their own private money in the business? **Mary Lou Corbet** –I do!

How many employees? **Mary Lou Corbet** - Answer 18

**Supervisor Raser:** Do you serve Delaware Township? **Kyle Wright** answered: Yes.

**Kyle Wright:** The Townships they are designed for are Shohola, portions of Dingmans Township, Green Township and Hawley Boro.

**Supervisor Raser** asked about their current financial position.

**Kyle Wright:** stated they would have to shut down their Milford operations if Shohola did not keep them as their primary provider. He stated they did not have the call volume in Dingmans and Milford to warrant keeping their operations going on this side of the County.

**Mary Lou Corbett** stated that they have been struggling financially since day one of their operations. She stated that part of their financial problem was because of the way they bill.

**Chairman Fluhr** asked how much money they are currently owed for unpaid services. It was estimated that there is approximately \$500,000 in outstanding fees. **Chairman Fluhr** asked what they are doing in order to get that money. **Mary Lou Corbet** advised the Board that they are going through collection agencies.

The Township Treasurer discussed her position on how inadequate on the keeping of their financial records were and that she had received two different documents showing two different financial outcomes.

Treasurer Blume asked who Pike County ALS's treasurer is. Kyle Wright stated they did not have one.

**Public Comments:**

- **Carrie Thomas** – asked the Board if they have looked into the finances and rate sheets from Atlantic Avenue. She also asked how much of the donation money was paid to Pike County ALS.
- **Maryanne Yeaw** – read a statement in support of Pike County ALS. Stating that they have dedicated years of service Shohola Township.

**Motion** to adjourn at 12:28pm made by **Chairman Fluhr**, second by **Vice-Chair Hoyer**, motion carried.

**Respectfully Submitted:**

**Diana Blume**  
**Township Secretary**