



SHOHOLA TOWNSHIP

Board of Supervisors

George C. Fluhr, Gregory P. Hoeper, Keith W. Raser
Municipal Building
159 Twin Lakes Road
Shohola PA 18458

October 13, 2016

Special Meeting – Budget Workshop

Attendance: Supervisors: Chairman George C. Fluhr, Vice-Chair Gregory Hoeper, Supervisor Keith Raser, Secretary, Diana Blume and Solicitor Ohliger.

Meeting called to Order at 6:30pm

Treasurer, Diana Blume went through every line item of the 2017 Budget and presented the Supervisors with a no tax increase recommendation.

Motion to adjourn Budget Workshop at 7:04pm, made by Supervisor Raser, second by Vice-Chair Hoeper, motion carried.

Regular Meeting of the Board

ATTENDANCE: Supervisors; Chairman George C. Fluhr, Vice-Chair Gregory Hoeper, Supervisor, Keith Raser, Secretary, Diana Blume and Solicitor, Jason Ohliger and all other on the attached list.

Meeting Called to Order at 7:30pm

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Motion to go into Executive Session to discuss a legal matter at 7:29pm, made by Supervisor Raser, second by Chairman Fluhr, motion carried.

Meeting reconvened at 7:32pm

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- **Motion** to approve Minutes of the regular meeting of the Board on September 8, 2016, made by, **Vice-Chair Hoeper, second by Chairman Fluhr, motion carried.**

APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURES:

- **Motion** to approve Treasurer's Report for September 2016, made by **Supervisor Raser, second by Vice-Chair Hoeper, motion carried.**

APPROVAL OF TREASURERS REPORT:

- **Motion** to approve Treasurer's Report for September 2016, **made by Vice-Chair Hoeper, second by Supervisor Raser, motion carried.**

PLANNING COMMISSION:

- No business before the Board this month.

SOLICITORS REPORT

- Following up with the motion to go into executive session to discuss legal matter. The Solicitor made a recommendation to the Board that they initiate a suit against Walsh Granite with regards to the damage done to Parker's Glen Road during the Bridge reconstruction. The damage to the road is estimated to be \$50,000.00. Walsh Granites' recommendation was to do a cold patch. So at this point we are at the litigation phase and recommend a suit in the Court of the Common Pleas. **Motion to have the Solicitor initiate a law suit made by Supervisor Raser, second by Chairman Fluhr, motion carried.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Shohola Park & Recreation** is hosting their 11th Annual Pumpkins in the Park Event which is to be held on Saturday, October 15, 2016.

OLD BUSINESS:

- **UDC Tag Grant Contract – Motion to execute Contract made by Chairman Fluhr, second by Supervisor Raser, motion carried.**
- **Amerihealth Injury Prevention and Claim Management Forms – Motion to execute this form made by Supervisor Raser, second by Chairman Fluhr, motion carried.**
- **Amerihealth Firemen Exposure – no formal action made.**

NEW BUSINESS:

- **Motion to post and advertise Budget – Motion to post the 2017 Budget and to Advertise it's availability on the Township Building for perusal, made by Chairman Fluhr, second by Vice-Chair Hoepfer, motion carried.**
- **Motion to have Secretary Blume collect the prices for oil and to accept the lowest price to purchase oil before the next meeting, made by Supervisor Raser, second by Chairman Fluhr, motion carried.**

CORRESPONDENCE:

- Letter from Roseann Tortorella – RE: Complaint about the Police Department.
- Emails from Bernie Swartswood regarding Mr. Pepper located at 106 Ploch Road, 911 Address change.
- PA Route 6 Alliance – Motion to not sign the letter of support **made by Supervisor Raser, second by Chairman Fluhr, motion carried.**

REPORTS TO THE BOARD

- Police - Report – No report.
- Zoning/Sewage 13 Zoning permit, 7 sewage permit issued in September.
- Building Permits 9 Residential Building permit issued in September.
- Road Department – No road report.
- Park Committee – Diana reiterated the Pumpkins in the Park event.
- Fire Department – Spoke about the County Hazard Mitigation Plan and they are looking for Public input. The information is linked to the Township Website. He also advised the Board that the Fire Department went to the Elementary School for Fire Prevention Month. The call volume in Shohola has been low this summer. The Fire Department is looking for members.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Carrie Thomas: Commented about Solar Farms. Ms. Thomas provided the Board with the State sample copy of a municipal ordinance regulating Solar Farms. Mrs. Thomas recommends that the Board consider developing and Ordinance regulating Solar Farms.

Roseanne Tortorella – made a comment to the Board about her letter about the Shohola Township Police Department. Ms. Tortorella complains that there is a lack of response from the police as well as a treatment of disrespect by the police officers.

SUPERVISORS COMMENTS:

- **Chairman Fluhr** commented that Lackawaxen Road was complete and he thanked the community for their support of putting up signs and those who made phone calls in order to bring attention to the condition of the road.

Motion to adjourn at 8:10pm made by Supervisor Raser, second by Chairman Fluhr, motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

**Diana Blume
Township Secretary**