

**HILLTOWN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING
Monday, November 12, 2012**

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Hilltown Township Board of Supervisors was called to order by Chairperson Barbara A. Salvadore at 7:08PM and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Also present: John B. McIlhinney, Vice-Chairman
James C. Groff, Supervisor
Richard C. Schnaedter, Township Manager
Christopher E. Engelhart, Chief of Police
Lorraine E. Leslie, Township Treasurer
Lynda S. Seimes, Township Secretary

A. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1) The Board met in Executive Session following the last meeting and just prior to this meeting; both times to discuss personnel issues.

B. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY: No members of the public were in attendance.

C. CONSENT AGENDA:

- Minutes of October 22, 2012 Meeting and November 7, 2012 Budget Worksession Meeting.
- Bills List dated November 13, 2012.
- Financial Statement for month of October 2012.
- 2013 Fire Protection Agreements for Signature-Dublin, Perkasio, Sellersville, Silverdale and Telford Fire Companies.
- Notification of Request for Staff Meeting – Hartzell Property, 1691 Bethlehem Pike – Install drive-thru window for donut/coffee shop.

Motion was made by Supervisor McIlhinney, seconded by Supervisor Groff, and carried unanimously to approve the Consent Agenda items as listed above, with the exception that Supervisor Groff abstained from the vote on the November 7, 2012 Budget Worksession Meeting Minutes since he was not in attendance at that meeting. There was no public comment.

D. NEW BUSINESS:

1) Authorize Advertisement of FY2013 Budget – Along with those items previously addressed at the November 7, 2012 Budget Worksession meeting, the Board directed staff to make the following revisions to the draft FY2013 Budget:

- Separate Trash Collection and Recycling into two separate categories

- Reduce Dental Insurance in all categories by 3.9%.
- Reduce Unemployment Compensation to 1%.
- Earmark \$150,000.00 from the General Fund to the Operating Reserve Fund.
- Salary adjustments for Administrative Non-Uniform Employees.
- Add \$200.00 to Auto Salvage Category.

Motion was made by Supervisor McIlhinney, seconded by Supervisor Groff, and carried unanimously to authorize the advertisement of the proposed FY2013 Budget (with the above noted corrected) to be available for public inspection prior to the adoption of the final FY2013 Budget at the December 10, 2012 Supervisor's meeting. There was no public comment.

2) Authorize Solicitor to advertise PWTA (Pennridge Wastewater Treatment Authority Pre-Treatment Ordinance – Motion was made by Supervisor Groff, seconded by Supervisor McIlhinney, and carried unanimously to authorize the Township Solicitor to advertise the Pennridge Wastewater Treatment Authority Pre-Treatment Ordinance for Public Hearing. There was no public comment.

3) Authorize Office Lease Renewal with State Rep. Katharine Watson – Motion was made by Supervisor McIlhinney, seconded by Supervisor Groff, and carried unanimously to authorize the office lease renewal for two more years for State Representative Katharine Watson, as presented. There was no public comment.

E. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1) Discussion of draft proposal for Addendum to the Existing 2005 Haines and Kibblehouse Quarry Agreement – Supervisor Groff suggested that the draft proposal for addendum to the 2005 H&K Quarry Agreement be posted on the Township website, so that those living in the area of Blooming Glen Quarry have the opportunity to review what the Board is considering amending. Supervisor McIlhinney agreed, and further suggested that a public hearing be held to obtain resident's input on the proposed revisions. Chairperson Salvadore noted that perhaps a 'public forum rather than a more formal Public Hearing should be held, since the latter would require a court stenographer, which is not necessary to amend the Agreement. Discussion took place. The Board directed Mr. Schnaedter to ask Solicitor Grabowski his opinion on holding a public hearing vs. a public forum, and to post the proposed Agreement Addendum on the Township website.

F. SUPERVISOR'S COMMENTS:

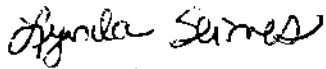
1) Supervisor Groff asked the status of the possible Beyer property barn demolition. Mr. Schnaedter replied that Mr. Wynn is preparing documentation comparing the construction of a pole barn versus "skinning" the existing barn, and will have that information for the Board's consideration at the November 26th meeting.

G. PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

H. PRESS CONFERENCE: There were no members of the press in attendance.

I. ADJOURNMENT: Upon motion by Supervisor McIlhinney, seconded by Supervisor Groff, and carried unanimously, the November 12, 2012 Hilltown Township Board of Supervisors meeting was adjourned at 7:22PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Lynda Seimes
Township Secretary

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