

Howe Township  
November 16, 2017

The Howe Township Board of Supervisors met in regular session at the Pinnacle Health Community Room at 5:30 p.m. on November 16, 2017. Present: Chairman Dale Beaver, Vice Chairman Charles Burd, Supervisor Kathy Donahey, Secretary Nancy Cangioli and Lois Schoppy.

Chairman Beaver called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance. Secretary Cangioli called the roll. All Supervisors were present.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Lois Schoppy addressed the Board regarding her interest in being appointed the Tax Collector for 2018. She submitted a letter listing her qualifications. She is a resident of Miller Township however. The question is does she have to be a resident of Howe Township. Solicitor Jones will be consulted for an answer. Chairman Beaver thanked her for her interest and will take it under advisement.

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

The vacancies on the Zoning Hearing Board and the Municipal Authority still need to be filled and are advertised on the website.

The Board adjusted the 2018 budget line items in the General Fund expenditures of the Audit to \$1,575 and Planning and Zoning to \$4,800.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Chairman Beaver encouraged the other Supervisors to attend the PSATS Boot Camp classes that have been scheduled. Both expressed an interest in attending.

PSATS sent information regarding Act 42 of 2017 authorizing the placement of mini casinos in the Commonwealth and townships. They recommend prohibiting these due to the lack of information at this time. The township has the ability to prohibit or approve these facilities within the boundaries of the township. A resolution needs to be adopted if prohibiting. The resolution can be rescinded in the future if the Board changes their mind. The Board will move on this at the December meeting.

#### **SOLICITOR REPORT**

Solicitor Jones was not in attendance.

#### **ENGINEER REPORT**

Engineer Alex Greenly was not in attendance.

#### **MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY**

There was nothing new to report.

#### **ROAD MASTER REPORT**

The materials from the Liverpool Quarry have been delivered. A load of salt has been delivered. Road Master Beaver advised that the Board needs to be thinking of equipment replacement in the future.

#### **ZONING OFFICER**

Chairman Beaver has obtained the ORI number from the District Justice for the Zoning/Code Enforcement Officer to issue non traffic citations. The number is issued to the township, not an individual person.

Chairman Beaver met with Bob Hart and successfully negotiated his proposed contract agreement. It is a 3 year term with the ability to terminate if notice is given to him in October of the year we are in. Solicitor Jones was asked to tweak some of the language in the document prior to the Board approving it.

A motion was made that the Board authorizes Bob Hart to attend the PAAZO Symposium on December 11<sup>th</sup> and approves the cost of \$28.00 for the registration fee; Beaver/Donahey. Motion carried.

**PLANNING COMMISSION**

<u>Plan</u>	<u>Submitted</u>	<u>Date-Approve/Disapprove</u>
Buffalo Crossing	5/4/17	8/6/17-extension to 2/2/18
Newport Assembly Church of God (Waiting on financial guarantee)	6/5/17	9/7/17-conditional granted

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting; Burd/Donahey. Motion carried.

Nancy Cangioli  
Secretary