

Township of Lower Alsace, Berks County, PA

June 23, 2016

The Lower Alsace Board of Supervisors met in regular session on Thursday, June 23, 2016 at 6:30 P.M. in the Township Municipal Building, 1200 Carsonia Avenue, Reading, PA.

I. ATTENDANCE

Board members present: James Oswald John Theodossiou and Todd Weikel.

Also in attendance were Homer Williams, Tom Hopper, Morgan Thomas, Township Residents; John Kromer, Planning Consultant and Ron Natale, as well as Carole Duran from the Reading Eagle.

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 P.M. by the Chairman James Oswald and then followed with the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

II. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

A motion was made by Supervisor Oswald, seconded by Supervisor Weikel and all voted yes to approve the minutes of the June 9, 2016 Lower Alsace Township Supervisors' Meeting.

III. TREASURER'S LIST OF BILLS

Supervisor Oswald made a motion that was seconded by Supervisor Theodossiou to approve for payment the list of bills in the amount of \$137,443.22 from the General Fund. The motion carried.

IV. OLD BUSINESS

There was a discussion regarding the proposed Joint Codes Program for Central Berks Police Department, Lower Alsace Township and Mt. Penn Borough. In addition to comments from the Supervisors, it was agreed that the newly hired employee should be a full-time employee, who is hired by and report to the Central Berks Regional Police Chief. Ron Natale suggested that the department could also offer Zoning Enforcement services. The Manager discussed that some amount of twp. savings could be realized if Great Valley consultants would be utilized only for the issuance of permits, perform building code inspections and utilize the Joint Codes Department for property related zoning enforcement responsibilities. It was also agreed that to assist in this projected budget for remaining days of 2016 the DCED Joint Codes Grant amount for salary (\$30,000) would go entirely towards the cost of the new employee for 2016 and Lower Alsace would agree to contribute \$15,000 towards the cost of the new employee plus 100% cost of the existing employee for 2017. Thereby provide some financial encouragement for the Borough of Mt. Penn who's plan has been to hire two part time officials who would be employees of the Borough.

V. **ADJOURNMENT**

Hearing no further business the meeting adjourned at 7:30 PM. The next regular meeting will be held on Thursday, July 14, 2016 at 6:30 PM in the Township Municipal Building.

Respectfully submitted,

Terry Styer
Manager, Secretary / Treasurer