

Township of Lower Alsace, Berks County, PA

October 12, 2017

The Lower Alsace Board of Supervisors met in regular session on Thursday, October 12, 2017 at 6:30 P.M. in the Township Municipal Building, 1200 Carsonia Avenue, Reading PA.

I. ATTENDANCE

Board members present included Jim Oswald and Todd Weikel and John Theodossiou. Also in attendance was township resident Homer Williams and Keith Smoker from the Reading Eagle.

II. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

A motion to approve the minutes of the September 28, 2017 Lower Alsace Township Supervisors' Meeting was made by Supervisor Weikel, seconded by Supervisor Oswald and all voted yes to approve.

III. ENGINEER

- A. Engineer Rogosky discussed a waiver request for Land Development Planning for the Carsonia Park Phase I plans from the Antietam Valley Recreation Commission. He indicated that since the majority of the park land and proposed improvements in this Phase of the Park's Master Plan are located in Exeter Township, the process for land development approval will be administered by Exeter Township. Following a review of the proposed improvements, a motion was made by Supervisor Theodossiou, seconded by Supervisor Oswald and all voted yes to approve a waiver of Land Development planning for this proposed phase of the park improvement plan.
- B. The Engineer then reviewed the 2017 Road construction project and requested approval for payment Number 1 to New Enterprise Stone and Lime Inc. in the amount of \$114,676.73. Supervisor Oswald made a motion that was seconded by Supervisor Theodossiou and all voted yes to approve this payment.

IV. SOLICITOR

- A. Solicitor Setley reviewed the proposed change to Crime Free Rental Ordinance amendment which will make free a rental inspection for a landlord who completes two successful inspections in two consecutive periods and where the Township receives no complaints about the property. Supervisor Weikel suggested that consideration be given to add language to the Rental Ordinance that would require some type of identification sign on rental properties which would give neighbors information for where the property owner could be reached.

V. TREASURER'S REPORT / LIST OF BILLS

- A. A motion was made by Supervisor Oswald and seconded by Supervisor Theodossiou and all voted yes to approve the September Treasurer's report and payment of the list of bills in the amount of \$ 127,700.69 from the General Fund; and \$1,059.61 from the Fire Tax Fund.

VI. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS SUBMITTED FOR APPROVAL**A. Central Berks Police Department**

1. The September report was submitted. The board then reviewed the proposed 2018 Central Berks Police Commission budget totaling \$2,749,494 and includes the \$626,797 contract contribution from Oley Township. It was noted that this additional revenue will reduce Lower Alsace Township's and Mount Borough's annual payment to \$955,785 in place of the \$988,139.50 that was in the proposed budget without the contract with Oley Township. A motion was made by Supervisor Theodossiou, seconded by Supervisor Weikel to approve the 2018 budget as submitted and to conditionally approve the contract and agreement with Oley Township following the successful review of the final documents by the Police Commission Solicitor and Lower Alsace Township Solicitor.

B. Sewage Enforcement Officer

1. September report was submitted

C. Zoning and Building Code Officer

1. September report was submitted

VII. SUPERVISOR LIAISON REPORTS

- A. Road Department
- B. Central Berks Regional Police Commission
- C. Lower Alsace Fire Company and Ambulance Association and Antietam Valley Recreation Commission

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Hearing no further business the meeting adjourned at 7:07 PM. The next regular meeting will be held on Thursday, October 26, 2017 at 6:30 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Terry Styer
Manager, Secretary / Treasurer