

Township of Lower Alsace, Berks County, PA
March 24, 2016

The Lower Alsace Board of Supervisors met in regular session on Thursday, March 24, 2016 at 6:30 P.M. in the Township Municipal Building, 1200 Carsonia Avenue, Reading, PA.

I. ATTENDANCE

Board members present: James Oswald, and Todd Weikel. John Theodossiou did not attend the meeting.

Also in attendance were Homer Williams, Tom Hopper, Andy Shean, Joe Liddy, Andrew Kutz and 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 March 10, 2016 Lower Alsace Township Supervisors' Meeting.

III. VISITORS:

Joe Liddy, 914 Byram requested additional speed enforcement measures be considered for the portion of Byram Avenue that is next to Carsonia Park. He suggested that with the additional traffic and children using the park along with the Community's intended improvements, the safety for those using the park should be part of the discussion. Both Chief Serafin and Township Engineer Joe Rogosky reported on their research for this meeting regarding the options for this area which may include traffic crosswalks, signage and additional enforcement measures. The Engineer will meet with the Road Foreman to review the street for additional signage and the location for crosswalk marking.

IV. SOLICITOR

A. The Solicitor presented several suggestions to amend the previously adopted Discharge of Firearms Ordinance to construct shooting ranges to be constructed to NRA standards in all zones provided they have a five (5) or ten (10) acre minimum.

V. ENGINEER

A. The Township Engineer reviewed the list of proposed Road projects seeking approval for advertising bids estimated to be \$119,722.50. A motion was made, seconded and approved to authorize the Engineer to advertise for bids for these projects.

VI. TREASURER'S LIST OF BILLS

Supervisor Oswald made a motion that was seconded by Supervisor Weikel to approve for payment the list of bills in the amount of \$9,126.76 from the Fire Tax Fund and \$99,139.57 from the General Fund. The motion carried.

VII. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Supervisor Oswald made a motion to approve the new fee schedule that includes a \$100 application fee for events that fall under the regulations of the Event Ordinance. Supervisor Weikel seconded the motion and it carried.
- B. Supervisor Oswald made a motion to approve and sign the PEMA-DAP-2 Designation of Agent Resolution authorizing the Township Manager, Terry Styer to execute all documents related to the February Blizzard disaster relief request. Supervisor Weikel seconded the motion and it carried.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Supervisor Oswald made a motion that was seconded by Supervisor Weikel to approve a Holding Tank Maintenance Agreement with the County of Berks for the Nature Center Building in Antietam Lake Park on Hill Road. The motion carried and the agreement was signed.
- B. At this time, Christopher Stress, R.A. and Director of the Berks County Parks and Recreation Department will be provided an update regarding the temporary, planned closure of the Antietam Lake parking lot and other upcoming improvement projects for Antietam Lake Park.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Hearing no further business the meeting adjourned at 7:29 PM. The next regular meeting will be held on Thursday, April 14, 2016 at 6:30 PM in the Township Municipal Building.

Respectfully submitted,

Terry Styer
Manager, Secretary / Treasurer