

# **Township of Lower Alsace, Berks County, PA**

## **September 27, 2018**

The Lower Alsace Board of Supervisors met in regular session on Thursday, September 27, 2018 at 6:30 P.M. in the Township Municipal Building, 1200 Carsonia Avenue, Reading, PA.

### **I. ATTENDANCE**

Board members in attendance included Jim Oswald, John Theodossiou and Todd Weikel. Also in attendance was Homer Williams and Dave Kostival, from the Reading Eagle.

### **II. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

A motion to approve the minutes of the September 13, 2018 Township Supervisors' Meeting was made by Supervisor Weikel, seconded by Supervisor Theodossiou and all voted yes to approve.

### **III. SOLICITOR**

The Board discussed the three reported calls to the Township Office about the temporary no parking zone on Prospect Street from Carsonia to 25<sup>th</sup> Street. The third and most recent complaint was made by a resident who suggested that speed has increased since the temporary no parking signs were installed. Supervisor Oswald reported that he had borrowed a radar gun from an organization he belongs to and did an informal analysis of traffic from 7 to 7:30 am on this section of Prospect street and found that the fastest vehicle he registered was traveling 29 MPH just 4 miles over the posted speed limit. Following the discussion for safety benefits this change will continue to offer the area, a motion was made by Supervisor Oswald, seconded by Supervisor Weikel and all voted yes to authorize the Solicitor to advertise this ordinance for adoption.

### **IV. 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 payment of the list of bills in the amount of \$ 240,399.69 from the General Fund.

### **V. OLD BUSINESS**

The board continued their discussion regarding the future trash and recycling programs in the township. A draft ordinance to require mandatory recycling was being reviewed with the board discussing the benefits for municipal contracted curbside refuse and recycling programs for the township.

**VI. NEW BUSINESS**

- A. The following annual Halloween Curfew Resolution was approved by a motion made by Supervisor Weikel, seconded by Supervisor Theodossiou and all voted yes to approve this curfew. As with last year, the Board decided that trick or treat nights should be the choice of the parents.

**RESOLUTION No. 927181**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Board of Supervisors of Lower Alsace Township, Berks County, Pennsylvania, does hereby declare a curfew during the Halloween period. The curfew shall be in effect from Friday, October 5<sup>th</sup> through and including Sunday, November 4<sup>th</sup> 2018 at 5 A.M.

**IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED** that the time of the curfew shall be between the hours of 9:00 P.M. and 5:00 A.M. weekdays and weekends from 10:00 P.M. to 5:00 A.M. to include all persons under the age of 18 years not accompanied by a parent or guardian or other responsible person, except those going to or coming from a place of employment or a bona fide school activity.

- B. The Manager then introduced a new pricing policy for Animal Rescue League for 2019. She reported that to continue the Township contract for animal control services, the township's payment of \$1,500 from 2018 will increase to potentially \$7,000 to \$10,000 as part of the ARL's new cost for services contract. The 2019 agreement offers to continue providing Dog Law complaint investigations, stray animal picked ups and sheltering services from the Local Government Body, Police and resident calls but those services will now be billed on a monthly basis.
- C. A discussion for the township meeting dates among the Supervisors resulted in a new schedule that would include advertised meetings on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays of the month.

**VII. ADJOURNMENT**

Hearing no additional business the meeting adjourned at 7:20 PM. The next regular meeting will be scheduled for 6:30 PM on October 11, 2018.

Respectfully submitted,

Terry Styer  
Manager, Secretary / Treasurer