

TILDEN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Wednesday, November 14, 2018
Regular Meeting

The Tilden Township Board of Supervisors met in the Township Municipal Building with the following present: Supervisors Gene Schappell, Fred Herman and Richard DeLong, Police Chief William McEllroy, Township Solicitor Joan London, Township Secretary/Treasurer Monica Flower and local residents. A copy of the roster is on file with the secretary.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Gene Schappell, at 7:12PM followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

- Susie Bigelow inquired as to whether or not she could receive help with repairing her driveway on Mountain Road. It is being used as a turn around and the lower part of the driveway is deteriorating. The matter was discussed and decided the Roadmaster would be asked to go look at it the area and fix the road if needed. However, the repairing of the driveway is owner's responsibility.
- Dale Stoudt expressed his disagreement with the line item in the budget - Flex Health & Well-being Benefit for non-uniformed employees, especially those that have opted out of health insurance through the Township. The concerns were discussed at length.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

A Motion was made by Richard DeLong and seconded by Fred Herman to pay the following bills and accept the debt service: Upon roll call, Schappell, Herman and DeLong voted yes.

- General Fund** - Ck# 3289 - 3335 in the amount of \$101,831.25
Auto deductions & online payments in the amount of \$75,101.94
- Payroll** - Ck# 13225 - 13235 and EFT in the amount of \$25,837.22
ACH & EFTPS Transfers (Fed, State taxes) \$9,008.49
- Cabela's Traffic Light** - Auto deductions in the amount of \$61.14
- Sewer Fund** - Ck# 3052 - 3055 in the amount of \$90,867.79
Auto deductions & online payments in the amount of \$942.04
- Tilden Ridge Traffic Light** - Auto Deductions in the amount of \$86.55
- TIP Traffic Light Fund** - Auto Deductions in the amount of \$53.43
- TIP Street Light Fund** - Auto Deductions in the amount of \$739.45
- West Hamburg Street Light** - Auto Deductions in the amount of \$230.58
- Zoning & Building** - Ck# 241 & 242 in the amount of \$1,326.92
- Capital Reserve** - Building - Ck# 102 & 103 in the amount of \$10,509.80

DEBT SERVICE

- Building - \$401,300.00
- Tilden Collection System - \$ 2,283,260.00
- HMA sewer expansion - \$3,269,022.48

It was noted that the Township refinanced the Debt Service within the last four years saving the Township a considerable amount of money.

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A Motion was made by Gene Schappell and seconded by Fred Herman to approve the October 5, 2018, Workshop Meeting minutes and the October 10, 2018 Regular Meeting minutes. Upon roll call, Schappell, Herman and DeLong voted yes.

REPORT - POLICE

A. The report for October 2018 was given by Chief McEllroy.

REPORT - SOLICITOR

- A. An update for the Logistic Park Appeal: Century Development filed their brief on October 30th. Tilden Township's brief will be filed on or before November 30th. We can expect argument most likely in December or January.
- B. Lowe's has filed an assessment appeal on November 7th. The Board of Supervisors decided the Township would not participate in the appeal. It as noted Walmart has filed an assessment appeal as well.
- C. The Board of Supervisors directed Solicitor Joan London to contact Thomas Committa regarding charges billed to the Township for May and June which was after the hearing. Findings to be reported to the Board at the next meeting.
- D. The Solicitor reported Tilden Ambulatory and Miller Brothers are in dispute and no longer wish to work together. The solicitor made recommendations as to how this should be handled and requirements for both parties and the site providing the Township Engineer is in agreement.
A Motion was made by Richard DeLong and seconded by Gene Schappell to require Tilden Ambulatory/Dr. Kumar replenish the escrow account balance to \$3,000.00 providing the Township Engineer is in agreement to be sufficient amount for maintenance security. Upon roll call Schappell, Herman and DeLong voted yes.
- E. The outstanding invoices for Walnut Acres was discussed. At the May 2018 Regular Meeting the Board of Supervisors agreed to accept \$15,129.00 for review fees. It was determined that review fees would be considered paid in full up to and including May 2018. Therefore, of the outstanding \$1,710.00 billed, only \$126.40 is owed. Any fees incurred after May 2018, Walnut Acres will be responsible to reimburse the Township.

REPORT - ZONING/BUILDING

The Report for October 2018 was received.

REPORT - PARK & RECREATION

A.

REPORT - ROADMASTER/DRIVEWAY

- A. The Report for October 2018 was received.
- B. **A Motion was made by Gene Schappell and seconded by Fred Herman to hire Troy Hatt and Dylan Hatt as part-time fill in snow plow drivers at \$15.00/hr. Upon roll call, Schappell and Herman voted yes. DeLong voted no.**

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REPORT-SECRETARY

A.

OLD BUSINESS

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SUBDIVISION/LAND DEVELOPMENT

- A. A Motion was made by Gene Schappell and seconded by Fred Herman to accept the request of time extension for the Walnut Acre subdivision until April 30, 2019. Upon roll Schappell, Herman and DeLong voted yes.
- B. A Motion was made by Fred Herman seconded by Richard DeLong to approve the Stormwater Controls and Best Management Practices Operations and Maintenance Agreement for ALDI. Upon roll call Schappell, Herman and DeLong voted yes.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. A Motion was made by Gene Schappell and seconded by Fred Herman approve the request from Hamburg Fire Company to conduct their annual boot drive fundraiser on Black Friday, November 23, 2018 at the dead end of Laurel and Cabela Drive. Upon roll call Schappell, Herman and DeLong voted yes.
- B. A Motion was made by Gene Schappell and seconded by Fred Herman to adopt the preliminary budget. Upon roll call Schappell and Herman voted yes. DeLong voted no.
- C. A Motion was made by Richard DeLong and seconded by Fred Herman to authorize an ordinance to adopt the tax rate increase of .75 mils and to advertise the budget. Upon roll call Schappell, Herman and DeLong voted yes.
- D. A Motion was made by Gene Schappell and seconded by Fred Herman to authorize the Secretary to advertise the Schedule of Meetings for 2019. Upon roll call Schappell and Herman voted yes. DeLong voted no.
- E. A Motion was made by Fred Herman and seconded by Richard DeLong to authorize approval and advertisement of the Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement between Upper Tulpehocken and Tilden Township Regarding Cooperative Sharing of Road Maintenance Equipment and Manpower. Upon roll call Schappell, Herman and DeLong voted yes.
- F. A Motion was made by Fred Herman and seconded by Richard DeLong to adopt the recommendations of Caron Engineering in the Engineering & Traffic Study regarding the intersections Mountain/Lowland Road intersection and Mountain/Pine Road intersection recommending advisory signs and an additional stop sign at Mountain/Pine Road making it a four-way stop. Upon roll call Schappell, Herman and DeLong voted yes.
- G. A Motion was made by Gene Schappell and seconded by Fred Herman to authorize Kozloff Stoudt to draft an ordinance to place a stop sign on the eastern approach at the intersection of Mountain and Pine Road. Upon roll call Schappell, Herman and DeLong voted yes.
- H. A Motion was made by Gene Schappell and seconded by Fred Herman to increase the annual donation to Crime Alert from \$125.00 to \$250.00. Upon roll call Schappell, Herman and DeLong voted yes.

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MISCELLANEOUS CORRESPONDENCE was available with the Secretary as well as minutes and reports of all Boards in Tilden Township.

ADJOURNMENT

A Motion was made by Richard DeLong and seconded by Gene Schappell to adjourn the meeting @ 9:44PM. Upon roll call, Schappell, Herman and DeLong voted yes.

ATTEST:

Monica Flower
Secretary