

TILDEN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Wednesday, December 9, 2020
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, Road Master Michael Quick, Township Secretary/Treasurer Monica Flower, Assistant Secretary Lorraine Ramirez 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 7:02 P.M. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

- Tom Werley made comment about paying off township debt.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

A Motion was made by Gene Schappell 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# 4170 - 4180 in the amount of \$54,554.16
 Auto deductions in the amount of \$12,528.15
Payroll - Ck# 13423 - 13433 and EFT in the amount of \$55,324.73
 ACH & EFTPS Transfers (Fed, State taxes) \$21,502.22
Cabela Traffic Light - Auto deductions in the amount of \$61.06
Sewer Fund - Ck# 3194 - 3199 in the amount of \$62,183.99
 Auto deductions in the amount of \$721.15
TIP Traffic Light - Auto deductions in the amount of \$61.39
TIP Street Light Fund - Auto deduction in the amount of \$754.72
West Hamburg Street Light - Auto deduction in the amount of \$230.87
Building & Zoning - Ck# 306 - 309 in the amount of \$5,062.90
Tilden Ridge Traffic Light Fund - Auto deductions in the amount of 112.16

DEBT SERVICE

Building - \$ 252,600.00
Tilden Collection System - \$ 1,997,812.22
HMA sewer expansion - \$2,738.181.59

A Motion was made by Richard DeLong and seconded by Fred Herman to authorize the Treasurer to pay all bills prior to closing out the books for 2020. Upon roll call Schappell, Herman and DeLong voted yes.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A Motion was made by Fred Herman and seconded by Richard DeLong to approve the Workshop Minutes for November 8, 2020 and Regular Minutes for November 11, 2020; Upon roll call Schappell, Herman and DeLong voted yes.

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REPORT - POLICE:

- The report for November 2020 was given by Chief McEllroy.

REPORT - SOLICITOR:

REPORT - ZONING/BUILDING:

- The Report for November 2020 was received.

REPORT - ROADMASTER/DRIVEWAY:

- The Report for November 2020 was given by Michael Quick.
- A Motion was made by Gene Schappell and seconded by Fred Herman to authorize the purchase of three generators from Harbor Freight with a minimum of 3500 watts, not to exceed \$500 each. Upon roll call Schappell, Herman and DeLong voted yes.

REPORT-SECRETARY:

- The report for November 2020 was given by Monica Flower.

REPORT - PARK & RECREATION:

- Nothing to report

REPORT - OLD BUSINESS:

- A Motion was made by Fred Herman and seconded by Gene Schappell to adopt Resolution# 2020-12 the Final Budget for Fiscal Year 2021. Advertised in the Reading Eagle on November 16, 2020 and posted at the township municipal building on October 12, 2020. Upon roll call Schappell and Herman voted yes; DeLong voted no.

Total General Fund 2021 Budget - \$2,823,350.03

"BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED AND ENACTED, THAT WE, the Board of Supervisors of Tilden Township, hereby adopt the budget for the year 2021, setting forth the estimated expenditures which are hereby appropriated from the revenues available for the current year for the specific purposes set forth, which amounts are more fully itemized in the budget form which is on file with the township secretary."

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REPORT - OLD BUSINESS (cont'd):

- A Motion was made by Gene Schappell and seconded by Fred Herman to adopt Resolution# 2020-13 for Real Estate Tax, To levy real estate taxes, "BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED AND ENACTED by the Board of Supervisors of the Township of Tilden, that a real estate tax of 1.95 mills on each dollar of assessed valuation or the sum of \$.195 on each \$100 dollars of assessed valuation is hereby levied on all property within the municipality and subject to taxation for the fiscal year 2021 for general government, the maintenance of roads, etc." Upon roll call Schappell, Herman and DeLong voted yes. (NOTE: no increase)
- A Motion was made by Richard DeLong and seconded by Fred Herman to adopt Resolution# 2020-14 to adopt all other taxes. ½ of 1% Real Estate Transfer Tax, Local Services Tax \$52.00 and 5% Amusement taxes (same as 2020). Upon roll call, Schappell, Herman and DeLong voted yes.
- A Motion was made by Fred Herman and seconded by Gene Schappell to adopt Resolution# 2020-15 to adopt the West Hamburg Street Light Tax. "BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED AND ENACTED by the Board of Supervisors of Tilden Township to levy a street light tax at \$1.00 per front foot for street lights in West Hamburg for the fiscal year 2021 (same as 2020)." Upon roll call, Schappell, Herman and DeLong voted yes.
- A Motion was made by Richard DeLong and seconded by Fred Herman to adopt Resolution# 2020-16 to adopt Street Light Taxes in the Tilden Industrial Park. "BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED AND ENACTED by the Board of Supervisors of the Township of Tilden to levy a street light tax in the Tilden Industrial Park at .00068 (\$.68 per \$1,000) based upon the assessed valuation" (same as 2020)." Upon roll call Schappell, Herman and DeLong voted yes.
- A Motion was made by Gene Schappell and seconded by Richard DeLong to adopt Resolution# 2020-17 to adopt sewer rates in the Tilden Industrial Park. "BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the sewer rates in the Tilden Industrial Park remain at \$180.00 per quarter (minimum 0-16,000 gallons and \$19.00 per 1,000 gallons or portion there of above 16,000 gallons) (same as 2020)". Upon roll call, Schappell, Herman and DeLong voted yes.
- A Motion was made by Fred Herman and seconded by Richard DeLong to adopt Resolution# 2020-18 to adopt sewer rates in West Hamburg and the Pleasant Hills Mobile Home Park. "BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the sewer rates in West Hamburg and the Pleasant Hills Mobile Home Park remain at \$180.00 per quarter. Upon roll call, Schappell, Herman and DeLong voted yes.

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REPORT - OLD BUSINESS (cont'd):

- A Motion was made by Fred Herman and seconded by Gene Schappell to adopt Resolution# 2020-19 to adopt a fire tax, "BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED AND ENACTED, by the Board of Supervisors of the Township of Tilden, that a fire tax of .15 mills on each dollar of assessed valuation or the sum of \$.015 on each \$100 dollars of assessed valuation is hereby levied on all property within the municipality and subject to taxation for the fiscal year 2021 for Fire Services (0.10 mills decrease). Upon roll call, Schappell, Herman and DeLong voted yes.

SUBDIVISION/LAND DEVELOPMENT:

- A Motion was made by Gene Schappell and seconded by Richard DeLong to approve the Land Development Improvements Agreement and Financial Security for Wawa-Tesla contingent upon it being executed by Ironwood Property Group, LP and Tesla Inc. and the provision of the letter of credit or bond. Upon roll call Schappell, Herman and DeLong voted yes.
- A Motion was made by Richard DeLong and seconded by Gene Schappell to grant conditional final plan approval for Edge Self Storage subject to Carbon Engineering review comments dated April 24, 2020 and receipt of the highway occupancy permit from PennDOT. Upon roll call Schappell, Herman and DeLong voted yes.
- A Motion was made Richard DeLong and seconded by Fred Herman to approve the Stormwater Controls and Best Management Practices Operations and Management Agreement for ALOE 9-5/Edge Self Storage. Upon roll call Schappell, Herman and DeLong voted yes.

REPORT - NEW BUSINESS:

- A Motion was made by Gene Schappell and seconded by Fred Herman to approve and advertise the Schedule of Meetings for 2021 in the Reading Eagle. Upon roll call Schappell, Herman voted yes, DeLong voted no.
- A Motion was made by Gene Schappell and seconded by Fred Herman to adopt Resolution# 2020-20 to appoint Reinsel, Kuntz, Leshar LLP (RKL) as Township CPA for 2021 and confirming Kozloff Stoudt to advertise. Upon roll call Schappell, Herman and DeLong voted yes.
- A Motion was made by Fred Herman and seconded by Gene Schappell to adopt Resolution# 2020-21 amending the tapping fee for a non-metered connection to the Sanitary Sewer System and amending the Township fee schedule from \$2,000.00 to \$3,000.00. Upon roll call Schappell and Herman voted yes, DeLong voted no.
- A Motion was made by Gene Schappell and seconded by Fred Herman to approve 2021 Animal Rescue League (ARL) contract at \$1.00 per capita option. Upon roll call Schappell, Herman voted yes, DeLong voted no.

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REPORT - NEW BUSINESS (cont'd):

- A Motion was made by Fred Herman and seconded by Richard DeLong to approve the codification of ordinances with General Code with the legal review and analysis for the amount of \$15,995.00 to be paid in increments over two years. Upon roll call Schappell, Herman and DeLong voted yes.

ADJOURNMENT:

A Motion was made by Fred Herman and seconded by Richard DeLong to adjourn the meeting @ 7:56 P.M. Upon roll call Schappell, Herman and DeLong voted yes.

ATTEST:

Lorraine Ramirez
Assistant Secretary