

TILDEN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Wednesday, December 09, 2015
 Regular Meeting
 End-of-Year meeting
 Budget Adoption

The Tilden Township Board of Supervisors met in the Township Municipal Building with the following present: Supervisors Gene Schappell, Fred Herman and Carl Spatz, Township Secretary, Cheryl Haus, Township Solicitor, Joan London, Police Chief William McEllroy, and several residents. A copy of the roster is on file with the secretary.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Gene Schappell, at 7:00 P.M. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**PAYMENT OF BILLS**

A motion was made by Gene Schappell and seconded by Fred Herman to pay the following bills.

General Fund - Ck# 19150-19185 in the amount of \$40,915.26
 Auto deductions in the amount of \$2,449.91
 Payroll - Ck# 12878-12879 and EFT in the amount of \$18,198.98
 ACH & EFTPS Transfers (Fed, State taxes) \$7,800.73
 Cabela Traffic Light - Auto deductions in the amount of \$73.27
 Sewer Fund - Ck# 2828-2835 in the amount of \$37,448.62
 Auto deductions in the amount of \$601.02
 TIP Traffic Light - Auto deductions in the amount of \$71.19
 TIP Street Light Fund - Auto deduction in the amount of \$679.71
 Tilden Ridge Traffic Light Fund - Auto deductions in the amount of \$94.26
 Building & Zoning - Ck# 199 in the amount of \$577.62
 Park & Recreation Fund - Ck # 370 in the amount of \$1,400.00
 West Hamburg Street Light Fund - Auto deductions in the amount of \$224.46

DEBT SERVICE

Building - \$679,100.00
 Tilden Collection System - \$ 3,409,700.00
 HMA sewer expansion - \$4,031,867.47
 Park & Recreation owes Sovereign Grant \$20,360.11

Upon roll call, Spatz, Schappell and Herman voted yes.

A motion was made by Fred Herman and seconded by Carl Spatz to pay all bills prior to closing the books for 2015. Upon roll call, Schappell, Spatz and Herman voted yes.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Fred Herman and seconded by Gene Schappell to approve the workshop minutes of November 6, 2015 and the Regular meeting minutes of November 11, 2015. Upon roll call, Spatz, Schappell and Herman voted yes.

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REPORT - POLICE

The report for November, 2015 was received. 73 incidents were handled, 679 miles were put on vehicles and 73.5 gallons of fuel were used.

The security cameras were installed.

An e-mail was received from a citizen commending Officer Witman for his professionalism during an incident at the municipal building. The Board thanked Officer Witman for his professionalism.

Vandalism at the Kernsville Dam was discussed.

REPORT - SOLICITOR**REPORT - ZONING/SEO**

The report for November, 2015 was received

REPORT - DRIVEWAY/ROADMASTER

The Report for November, 2015 was received.

REPORT-SECRETARY

The secretary's report For November, 2015 was given by Cheryl Haus.

The office is preparing for the end-of-year reports, etc.

The township auditor was in November 30, 2015 to begin fieldwork for the 2015 audit.

No grants are available for LED lighting. The Board chose not to spend the \$16,000 right now for the upgrades needed.

A motion was made by Carl Spatz and seconded by Gene Schappell to move \$3,600.00 from the P/T Patrolman fund to cover overages in 410.238 (uniforms-\$3,000.00) and 410.310 (training \$600.00)

And \$7,000.00 from 414.300 (engineering) to cover overages of 409.370 (building repairs & maintenance). Upon roll call, Spatz, Schappell and Herman voted yes.

REPORT - PARK & RECREATION**REPORT - OLD BUSINESS**

A motion was made by Fred Herman and seconded by Gene Schappell to adopt Resolution # 14, 2015, the final budget for fiscal year 2016, as advertised in the Reading Eagle-Times on November 17, 2015 and posted at the township municipal building on November 17, 2015.

Total General Fund 2016 Budget - \$1,837,663.00

"BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED AND ENACTED, THAT WE, the Board of Supervisors of Tilden Township, hereby adopt the budget for the year 2016, 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." Upon roll call, Schappell, Spatz and Herman voted yes.

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A motion was made by Fred Herman and seconded by Carl Spatz to adopt Resolution # 15, 2015, 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 1.2 mills on each dollar (same as 2015) of assessed valuation or the sum of \$.12 on each \$100 dollars of assessed valuation is hereby levied on all property within the municipality and subject to taxation for the fiscal year 2016 for general government, the maintenance of roads, etc." Upon roll call, Spatz, Schappell and Herman voted yes.

A motion was made by Carl Spatz and seconded by Gene Schappell to adopt Resolution # 16, 2015, to adopt all other taxes. ½ of 1% Real Estate Transfer Tax, Local Services Tax \$52.00 and 5% Amusement taxes (same as 2015). Upon roll call, Spatz, Schappell and Herman voted yes.

A motion was made by Fred Herman and seconded by Carl Spatz to adopt Resolution # 17, 2015, 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 2016 (increase)." Upon roll call, Schappell, Spatz and Herman voted yes.

A motion was made by Gene Schappell and seconded by Fred Herman to adopt Resolution # 18, 2015, 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 2015)." Upon roll call, Schappell, Spatz and Herman voted yes.

A motion was made by Gene Schappell and seconded by Carl Spatz to adopt Resolution # 19, 2015, 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 above 16,000 gallons) (same as 2015)". Upon roll call, Schappell, Spatz and Herman voted yes.

A motion was made by Fred Herman and seconded by Carl Spatz to adopt Resolution # 20, 2015, 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, Spatz and Herman voted yes.

A motion was made by Fred Herman and seconded by Gene Schappell to adopt Resolution # 21, 2015, 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 .25 mills on each dollar of assessed valuation or the sum of \$.025 on each \$100 dollars of assessed valuation is hereby levied on all property within the municipality and subject to taxation for the fiscal year 2016 for Fire Services (same as 2015). Upon roll call, Schappell, Spatz and Herman voted yes.

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REPORT - SUBDIVISIONS / LAND DEVELOPMENT

A motion was made by Gene Schappell and seconded by Carl Spatz to reaffirm the Cabela's Outparcel Subdivision Preliminary / Final Plan, waiting for DEP approval. Upon roll call, Schappell, Spatz and Herman voted yes.

REPORT - NEW BUSINESS

A motion was made by Fred Herman and seconded by Gene Schappell to set the time for the Re-Organization meeting and regular meeting for Tilden Township for Monday, January 4, 2016 @ 2:00 p.m. Upon roll call, Schappell, Spatz and Herman voted yes.

A motion was made by Carl Spatz and seconded by Fred Herman to set the time for the Auditor's Re-Organization meeting for Tuesday, January 5, 2016 @ 7:00 p.m. Upon roll call, Herman, Spatz and Schappell voted yes.

A motion was made by Fred Herman and seconded by Gene Schappell to authorize advertisement of the meeting dates, times and place for 2016. (see attached) Upon roll call, Schappell, Spatz and Herman voted yes.

A motion was made by Carl Spatz and seconded by Fred Herman to repay \$8,277.38, (\$1,400.00 from the Park & Recreation checking account, 6,877.38 from the Tilden Township General Fund # 451.300), to the Sovereign Grant Fund. Upon roll call, Herman, Spatz and Schappell voted yes.

A motion was made by Gene Schappell and seconded by Fred Herman to approve the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Township of Tilden Board of Supervisors and the Tilden Township Police Association for four years from 1-1-16 through 12-31-19. Upon roll call, Schappell, Herman and Spatz voted yes.

MISCELLANEOUS CORRESPONDENCE was available with the Secretary as well as minutes and reports of all Boards in Tilden Township.
Blue Mountain Wildlife summer 2015 newsletter

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Carl Spatz and seconded by Gene Schappell to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 P.M. Upon roll call, Herman, Spatz and Schappell voted yes.

ATTEST:

Cheryl A. Haus,
Secretary