

BRIDGETON TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS
Minutes of March 11, 2020 Regular Monthly Meeting

The regular meeting of the Bridgeton Township Board of Supervisors was held on March 11, 2020, as advertised, at the Township Building, 1370 Bridgeton Hill Road, Upper Black Eddy, Pennsylvania. Present were Supervisors Gard Holby and Michael Lynch. Also present was Secretary / Treasurer Colleen Pursell and Solicitor David Shafkowitz. Supervisor Roger Keller was absent. An Executive Session was held prior to the meeting to discuss a matter of personnel.

Supervisor Holby called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA:

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Supervisor Holby tabled the approval of minutes from the February 12, 2020 regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors to the April 8, 2020 meeting, due to him not being at the February meeting.

BILLS/PAYROLL: Upon motion by Supervisor Lynch, seconded by Supervisor Holby which carried 2-0, the bills and payroll in the amount of \$12,269.32 from February 2020 was approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Upon motion by Supervisor Lynch, seconded by Supervisor Holby, which carried 2-0, the Treasurer's report from February 2020 was approved.

REPORTS:

1. Fire Company – Membership continues to be at an all time low. The fire company representatives will be attending a meeting tomorrow night with other companies to preliminarily discuss consolidation. The next breakfast is Easter and then Mother's Day.
2. Open Space – Supervisor Holby stated that there has been some volunteering at the Casilio Quarry to clear pathways.
3. Solicitor – No report.
4. Planning Commission – The December 2019 minutes were received and are on file.
5. Secretary / Treasurer – Colleen Pursell advised that the Township has received the 2020 Highway Aid allocation in the amount of \$53,035.58, which is higher than the initial projected amount.
6. B/N/T Groundwater Committee – Supervisor Holby stated that we are still seeking a representative from Bridgeton Township to serve on this Committee.
7. Roadmaster – Rich Pursell requested an approval for the seal coating of Ringing Rocks Road, approximately 400 ft on Woodland Drive and Birch Road. Pursell advised that this project was budgeted for 2020. Upon motion by Supervisor Holby, seconded by Supervisor Lynch, which carried 2-0, the seal coating advertisement was approved.

As approved at the December 2019 meeting, Rich Pursell received three bids for a standby emergency generator and the installation under emergency management. The lowest responsible bidder was Chestnut Ridge Electric. Upon motion by Supervisor Holby, seconded by Supervisor Lynch, which carried 2-0, Chestnut Ridge Electric, the most responsible bidder, will be supplying and installing a generator for use at the Municipal Building and Road Department Garage.

Rich Pursell requested approval for the purchase of a propane tank through Stem Brothers for the emergency standby generator. Upon motion by Supervisor Holby, seconded by Supervisor Lynch, which carried 2-0, Stem Brothers proposal of a 375-gallon propane tank for the emergency standby generator in the amount of \$2,695.00 was approved.
8. Zoning – The March report was received and is on file.

OLD BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Upon motion by Supervisor Lynch and seconded by Supervisor Holby, which carried 2-0, the Upper Black Eddy Fire Police are authorized to assist at the Sellersville Borough St. Patrick's Day Parade scheduled for March 21, 2020.
2. Upon motion by Supervisor Holby and seconded by Supervisor Lynch, which carried 2-0, the Board authorizes sending a letter to the Bucks County Board of Health to begin mosquito control at Township properties in order to help the control and spread of the West Nile Virus. Additionally, the letter will include the request for them to treat the Open Space Land on River Road, Casilio Quarry.
3. Upon motion by Supervisor Lynch and seconded by Supervisor Holby, which carried 2-0, the Board approved Ryan McNichol Lawn and Property Maintenance to perform lawn maintenance during the 2020 season at the rate of \$75.00 per a mowing at both the municipal building (\$30.00) and Veterans Park (\$45.00).
4. Upon motion by Supervisor Holby, seconded by Supervisor Lynch, which carried 2-0, the request from the American Diabetes Association to use the municipal parking lot as a rest area during their 2020 Greater Philadelphia Tour de Cure on Saturday, June 20, 2020 was approved, pending the receipt of their Certificate of Liability Insurance listing Bridgeton Township as the Certificate Holder.
- 5 Supervisor Holby advised that the Township applied for a mini grant in 2019 through Lower Delaware Wild and Scenic. The Township was seeking a grant to fund a study on erosion which is occurring on River Road. Another application will be submitted for consideration.

PERSONS TO BE HEARD:

Bob Harvie, a new Bucks County Commissioner, introduced himself and gave information on the new county projects. The County purchased new voting machines and County employees have been hosting presentations on the machines to make voters comfortable with the new process. Commissioner Harvie also explained the importance of completing the 2020 census which is used to determine state funding. On this date, two (2) residents in Bucks County have tested positive for COVID-19. They are at home in isolation.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

None

ADJOURNMENT:

Upon a motion by Supervisor Holby, seconded by Supervisor Lynch, which carried 2-0, the meeting was adjourned at 7:56 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Colleen M. Pursell
Secretary/Treasurer