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REGULAR MEETING

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners was called to order by President Rudolph at 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, December 11, 2018 in the Township Building.

ROLL CALL

The following Commissioners were present: Mrs. Sage, Messrs. Rudolph, Kelly, Janiczek, Wechsler and Lanciano. Mr. Layden was absent. Also present were Messrs. Fulton and Byrne, and Mrs. Warner.

INVOCATION

The Invocation was given by Reverend James Anderman of Covenant Methodist Church and followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENTATION

On behalf of the Board of Commissioners, Battalion Chief Thomas Foran presented Citations of Bravery to members of the Springfield Fire Department, Lt. Christopher Colburn and firefighters Jake LeSage and Eric Lyons. The award was in recognition of leadership and courage to help protect the public during the active shooting incident on October 20 at the Springfield Mall.

MINUTES

On motion of Dr. Janiczek, the minutes of November 13, 2018 were approved as submitted. Seconded by Mrs. Sage and carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Rudolph asked if anyone in the audience wished to comment on any of the agenda items. Seeing no one, the meeting continued.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. Rudolph called for Committee Reports.

Health

Mrs. Sage reported for the month of November, the Health Officer inspected 7 restaurants, 5 retail establishments, and performed 2 reinspections. There were 3 animal nuisance issues and 2 dog bites.

Dr. Janiczek thanked the residents for their support in the Library's annual direct mail fund drive. The Library is once again providing a drop-off site for the U.S. Marine's Toys for Tots program. He reminded homebound residents living in Springfield or Morton that they can receive library material at home. This free service, home delivery, by the Junior Women's Club. Dr. Janiczek also reported display windows located at the upper level of the Library are available to showcase organizations, crafts, hobbies or other interests with the community.

Library

Mr. Wechsler reported that the Planning Commission met on December 6th and reviewed a sewer facility module plan for Coventry Woods. The Commission recommended approval of the plan.

Planning

Mr. Lanciano reported the ice rink has had a very successful December with overflow crowds for public skating. Santa will be making a visit on December 16 and December 22. He said birthday parties have become very popular in the game room after an hour of ice skating. He read the ice rink holiday skating schedule.

Ice Rink

Mr. Lanciano reported the Parks Department completed their move to their new location at the rear of the Springfield County Club. The weekly field maintenance of the soccer and football fields have been completed for the year. Leaf removal in all parks and Township-owned properties will be completed by the end of the week.

Parks

Mr. Kelly moved that all bills approved for payment by the appropriate chairperson be paid. Seconded by Dr. Janiczek and carried.

BILLS SUBMITTED

Mr. Kelly moved for the adoption of Ordinance #1590 approving the 2019 final budget. The 2019 budget calls for expenditures of \$18,232,700 with the millage rate remaining the same as 2018 at 5.810 mills. Seconded by Mrs. Sage and carried.

ORDINANCE #1590
2019 Budget

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ORDINANCE #1591
Refuse Fee

Mrs. Sage moved for the adoption of Ordinance #1591 amending the refuse fee to \$250 per residential dwelling unit. Persons qualifying under the PA Property Tax or Rent Rebate Program (PA-1000) may request a rebate equal to 25% of the amount of the State rebate check, not to exceed \$150.00. Seconded by Mr. Kelly and carried.

ORDINANCE #1592
Metered Municipal
Parking Lots

Dr. Janiczek moved for the adoption of Ordinance #1592 establishing regulations for metered municipal parking lots. Location of municipal parking lots are Church Road Park, Saxer Avenue and Brookside Road. Hours of operation shall be Monday through Friday from 5:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. (prevailing time). Seconded by Mr. Lanciano and carried.

AWARD OF BIDS:
Brookside & Saxer
Streetscape

Mr. Wechsler moved to award the contract for Brookside Road and Saxer Avenue Streetscape Improvements to the low bidder, Premier Concrete, Inc., in the amount of \$1,766,150.00. Seconded by Mr. Lanciano and carried.

AWARD OF BIDS
Energy Savings Contract

Mr. Lanciano moved to authorize entering into an energy savings contract under the guidelines of the PA Guaranteed Energy Savings Act with ESG, Energy Systems Group, pending Township Solicitor approval of the final contract. Seconded by Mr. Wechsler and carried.

RESOLUTION #19-18
Police Pension
Contribution

Mr. Kelly moved for the adoption of Resolution #19-18 setting the annual contribution by police officers to the Police Contribution Pension Plan for the year 2018 at 5%. Seconded by Mrs. Sage and carried.

RESOLUTION #20-18
Sewer Rent Discount

Mr. Wechsler moved for the adoption of Resolution #20-18 providing for a 2% discount on a 2019 sewer rent bill paid within sixty days of the date of the bill. Seconded by Mrs. Sage and carried.

2019 GOLF FEES

On motion of Mr. Lanciano, the 2019 Golf Course Playing Fees and Permits Fees were approved. "Prime Time"

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daily fees are increased by \$1.00. All other golf fess and permit fees remain the same. Seconded by Mr. Wechsler and carried.

Mrs. Sage moved authorizing the Township Engineer to release the remaining funds of \$20,861.25 for Coventry Woods at Springfield. Seconded by Mr. Kelly and carried.

Mr. Kelly moved authorizing the Township Engineer to release \$769,131.91 from the escrow account for the Springfield High School. Seconded by Dr. Janiczek and carried.

Dr. Janiczek moved that the meeting be adjourned. Seconded by Mr. Wechsler and carried.

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ADJOURNMENT
(8:30 p.m.)