

POCONO TOWNSHIP BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
DECEMBER 19th, 2016 7:00 P.M.

The Regular meeting of the Pocono Township Commissioners was held on 12/19/2016 at the Pocono Township Municipal Building, Tannersville, PA, and was opened by Vice President Bob DeYoung at 7:00 p.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: Ellen Gndt, present; Bob DeYoung, present; Harold Werkheiser, absent; Jerry Lastowski, present; and Judi Coover, present.

Leo DeVito, Twp. Solicitor, Broughal & DeVito; Melissa Prugar Twp. Engineer; Charles Vogt, Twp. Manager; and Pamela Finkbeiner, Township Secretary, were present.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Executive Sessions were held on December 5th, 2016, December 8th, 2016, December 15th, 2016 and December 19th, 2016 to discuss personnel matters.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Joan Fabian, Financial Advisor, Edward Jones Investing, requested information concerning a solicitor's permit to go door-to-door to introduce Edward Jones Investing. Discussion followed. C. Vogt will set a meeting date with Ms. Fabian and Mike Tripus, Zoning Officer, to discuss the issue.

MINUTES:

J. Lastowski made a motion, seconded by J. Coover, to approve the minutes of the Conditional Use Hearing - Summit Health Campus - 12/01/2016. Roll call vote: E. Gndt, yes; R. DeYoung, abstained; J. Lastowski, yes; and J. Coover, yes. Motion carried.

J. Lastowski made a motion, seconded by E. Gndt, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of 12/05/2016 with correction of wordage to pg. 3 - Interview to Intervene. Roll call vote: E. Gndt, yes; R. DeYoung, yes; J. Lastowski, yes; and J. Coover, yes. Motion carried.

J. Lastowski a motion, seconded by J. Coover, to approve the minutes of the work session meeting of 12/15/2016. Roll call vote: E. Gndt, yes; R. DeYoung, abstained; J. Lastowski, yes; and J. Coover, yes. Motion carried.

BILLS AND TRANSFERS:

J. Lastowski made a motion, seconded by E. Gndt, to approve the Bill's list dated 12/19/2016. Discussion followed. J. Lastowski amended the motion, seconded by E. Gndt, to approve the Bill's list dated 12/19/2016 under the condition the Papco Invoice include the price difference as per the COG Bid and Koch 33 Ford Toyota include the CoStar's purchase order before payment is sent. Roll call vote: E. Gndt, yes; R. DeYoung, yes; J. Lastowski, yes; and J. Coover, no. Motion carried.

BILLS AND TRANSFERS CONT:

J. Lastowski made a motion, seconded by E. Gndt, to approve the invoice for the purchase of the 2017 Hunter Keystone Peterbilt, L.P., truck in the amount of \$91,650.00 and add the invoice to the 12/19/2016 Bill's list. Roll call vote: E. Gndt, yes; R. DeYoung, yes; J. Lastowski, yes; and J. Coover, no. Motion carried.

E. Gndt made a motion, seconded by J. Coover, to approve the Transfer list, including the invoice for the 2017 Hunter Keystone Peterbilt, L.P., Truck in the amount of \$91,650.00, dated 12/19/2016. Roll call vote: E. Gndt, yes; R. DeYoung, yes; J. Lastowski, yes; and J. Coover, yes. Motion carried.

E. Gndt made a motion, seconded by J. Coover, to approve the Transfers within the funds dated 12/19/2016. Roll call vote: E. Gndt, yes; R. DeYoung, yes; J. Lastowski, yes; and J. Coover, yes. Motion carried.

E. Gndt a motion, seconded by J. Lastowski, to approve the Check Ratification list dated 12/19/2016. Roll call vote: E. Gndt, yes; R. DeYoung, yes; J. Lastowski, yes; and J. Coover, yes. Motion carried.

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT: Absent

COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS:

Bob DeYoung, Vice-President, none.

Jerry Lastowski, Commissioner, none.

Judi Coover, Commissioner, thanked the Board for their work.

Ellen Gndt, Commissioner, commented on the CPR Class provided by St. Lukes.

REPORTS:

Pocono Township Police Chief Kent Werkheiser, gave his report.

Pocono Township Volunteer Fire Company, no report.

St. Luke's Ambulance, Rodney Wolfe, gave their report.

Diane Zweifel, Twp. resident, commented on the emergency procedures.

ADMINISTRATION:

2017 Budget Changes - C. Vogt reviewed the budget changes.

Extension of Pocono Management Associates contract to include Public Works. Discussion followed. J. Lastowski made a motion, seconded by E. Gndt to extend Pocono Management Associates Contract - Discussion followed. J. Lastowski and E. Gndt withdrew their motion.

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT: None

FINANCE COMMITTEE: E. Gndt made a motion, seconded by J. Lastowski, to move 1 million from the General Fund into a 12 month CD at ESSA Bank, and move 1 million from the Capital Fund into a 12 month PLGIT account when funds become available. Roll call vote: E. Gndt, yes; R. DeYoung, yes; J. Lastowski, yes; and J. Coover, yes. Motion carried.

TOWNSHIP SOLICITOR REPORT:

Summit Health Conditional Use Regional Impact Development Decision - L. DeVito explained. J. Lastowski made a motion, seconded by E. Gndt, to approve the conditions of the Summit Health Conditional Use Regional Impact Development Decision - Discussion followed. Roll call vote: E. Gndt, yes; R. DeYoung, yes; J. Lastowski, yes; and J. Coover, yes. Motion carried.

Lamar/Rubin Zoning Hearing Board Sign Application - Discussion only.

Stock Zoning Appeal - Discussion only.

TOWNSHIP ENGINEER REPORT: None.

PRESENTATION: None.

RESOLUTION AND ORDINANCES:

Resolution 2016-XX Granting Conditional Approval of the Margaret & Christopher Kinsley Minor Subdivision - Discussion followed. No action taken.

Resolution 2016-50 - approving Supplemental Appropriations to the 2016 Budget - E. Gndt made a motion, seconded by J. Lastowski, to adopt Resolution 2016-50 - approving Supplemental Appropriations to the 2016 Budget. Roll call vote: E. Gndt, yes; R. DeYoung, yes; J. Lastowski, yes; and J. Coover, yes. Motion carried.

Resolution 2016-51 2017 Budget - J. Coover made a motion, seconded by J. Lastowski, adopting Resolution 2016-51 2017 Budget. Roll call vote: E. Gndt, yes; R. DeYoung, yes; J. Lastowski, yes; and J. Coover, yes. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Maxine Turbolski, Twp. resident, questioned the Brookdale Treatment Center. Discussion followed.

Maxine Turbolski questioned the vacant road master position. Discussion followed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None

ADJOURNMENT: J. Lastowski made a motion, seconded by J. Coover, to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 p.m., until 01/03/2016 at 7:00 p.m. Roll call vote: E. Gndt, yes; R. DeYoung, yes; J. Lastowski, yes; and J. Coover, yes.
Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted
Pamela Finkbeiner
Township Secretary

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