

**SCOTT TOWNSHIP  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
MINUTES—NOVEMBER 28, 2018**

The Scott Township Board of Supervisors met on the above date in the Municipal Building, 350 Tenny Street (Espy), Bloomsburg, PA. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. In attendance were Supervisors Paul R. Eyerly IV, William G. Hafner, Kathleen A. Lynn, Lanny R. Sheehan and Dennis N. Wildt. Solicitor Anthony J. McDonald from Marinos, McDonald & Knecht LLP, Police Chief Raymond J. Klingler, Maintenance Supervisor Mark J. Koons, and Secretary/Treasurer Brittany M. Stasik were also in attendance.

**QUESTIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE**

None appearing.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Minutes of the October 23, 2018 meeting were presented for approval. Mr. Hafner made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Mr. Wildt seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

**APPROVAL OF MONTHLY REPORTS**

The October Budget, Police, Roads, Treasurer's, Zoning, and Tri-County COG IBC Inspection Service Reports were presented for approval. Mr. Sheehan made a motion to approve the reports as presented. Ms. Lynn seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

**APPROVAL OF BILLS TO BE PAID**

The General Fund bills to be paid were presented as one transfer of electronic funds and check numbers 15355—15399 for \$60,621.16. In addition, a Liquid Fuels Fund bill to be paid was presented as check number 1709 for \$652.69. Ms. Lynn made a motion to approve the bills to be paid, totaling \$61,273.85. Mr. Sheehan seconded and the motion carried 4-0, with Mr. Eyerly abstaining due to a conflict of interest regarding the Press Enterprise payment, check number 15390.

**SUBDIVISION & LAND DEVELOPMENT**

The Board had no subdivisions to discuss.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Regarding the 2019 Preliminary Budget, Ms. Stasik requested that the Board reapprove this. Because the tax collector's salary is a percentage of the collected real estate tax, the increase in the millage would change the amount listed in the salary line item. Ms. Stasik made that adjustment and changed the surplus forward line item so that the budget remains balanced. Mr. Hafner made a motion to approve the adjusted 2019 Preliminary Budget. Mr. Sheehan seconded and the motion carried 5-0. Ms. Stasik will send the necessary advertisement to the newspaper.

Regarding the possible placement of a communication tower on Township property, Larry Romanowski, President of P3 Towers, LLC, attended to answer any questions. Mr. Eyerly noted that the Township Ordinance contains zoning use regulations for communication antennas. Section 135-49.1(U.) of the Ordinance requires removal of the tower if it remains unused for a period of six consecutive months. The amount of time listed in the lease is in conflict with this. Mr. Romanowski agreed the lease could be adjusted to be in compliance with the Ordinance.

Mr. Eyerly expressed concern that this lease would obligate the Township for nearly thirty years. He questioned what should the appropriate amount of compensation be for the right to use the Township property for that period of time. Paragraph 4, the rent clause, states that the annual base rent is \$100.00. Mr. Romanowski stated his company will not be building the tower until the lease is executed with the carrier. Discussion ensued regarding renegotiating the minimum floor payment. Mr. McDonald suggested adding language to Paragraph 4 of the lease stating that the base rent will be \$500 per month, or 40% of the revenue, whichever is greater. Regarding Paragraph 20, Maintenance, Mr. Romanowski stated he has no issue with the requirements, but requested that the Solicitor determine the language that works best for the Township. Regarding the lease exhibit site plan, Mr. Romanowski stated that if there needs to be a slight adjustment in the location (subject to the Township's approval) during the design phase, and it substantially changes what the lease exhibit would be, the drawing could be amended. He suggested waiting to record the agreement until that final location determination is made. Mr. Sheehan made a motion to approve the Site Lease Agreement, contingent on changes to Paragraphs 4 and 20 as well as the final approval of the zoning issues. Mr. Wildt seconded. The motion carried 4-0, with Mr. Eyerly abstaining due to a conflict of interest.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Regarding the 2019 health insurance, Ms. Stasik explained that Capital BlueCross is now offering, through BSI Corporate Benefits, a telemedicine system called Healthiest You. The purpose of the program is to reduce office visits. There is a \$4.25 per person monthly cost, which would be an annual cost of \$612.00. There are no co-pays for the employee or additional per call charges to the Township. The Township's current insurance plan includes Telehealth, which is a similar virtual care option. However, there is a \$10 co-pay for each call, and a \$49.00 per call charge to the Township. After discussion, Mr. Eyerly made a motion to approve the addition of the Healthiest You program at a cost not to exceed \$612.00 for the year. Mr. Sheehan seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

Chief Klingler requested permission to advertise and hire part-time officers. Mr. Hafner made a motion to approve the advertisement for a part-time officer. Mr. Sheehan seconded and the motion carried 5-0. Due to a possible upcoming vacancy among the full-time officers, Ms. Lynn made a motion to hire a full-time officer to fill that opening. Mr. Sheehan seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

The Board adjourned into an Executive Session at 7:25 p.m., to discuss the purchase or lease of real estate. The Board reconvened at 7:55 p.m.

Mr. Sheehan made a motion to move the Planning Commission meeting from December 26 to December 19 at 5:30 p.m., and to advertise and schedule the hearing for the ordinance changes for December 19 at 6:00 p.m., with the regular Board meeting to follow at 6:30 p.m. Ms. Lynn seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

Ms. Lynn made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Hafner seconded and the motion carried 5-0. The meeting adjourned at 7:57 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Brittany M. Stasik  
Secretary/Treasurer