# SUMMIT TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES FEBRUARY 2, 2022

The Summit Township Board of Supervisors public meeting was held on Wednesday, February 2, 2022 at the Summit Township Municipal Building, 502 Bonniebrook Road, Butler, PA.

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

Willie Adams called the meeting to order at 6:45 p.m.

## **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

All persons present stood to recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **ROLL CALL**

Supervisors Willie Adams, Rick Green and Larry Osche were present. Also in attendance, Township Secretary/Treasurer, Roxann Stickney, David Barry, Regis E. Karch, Jeff Cottage, Ron Cottage, Kriss Simmons, David Chrzan, Russ Scott, Jim Henry, and Molly Miller.

## OPEN TO THE FLOOR – QUESTIONS/COMMENTS ON THE AGENDA

There was no questions or comments from the floor.

## **JANUARY 19 2022 PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES**

Rick Green motioned to approve the January 19, 2022 public meeting minutes as presented. Larry Osche seconded the motion. Motion Carried Unanimously.

## **TREASURER'S REPORT**

The treasurer presented the following report.

FUND BALANCE AS OF 02/02/2022	
American Rescue Plan	\$243,864.19
Capital Fund	\$346,479.76
Fire Hydrant Fund	\$3,687.26
General Fund	\$739,206.29
Sewage Escrow Fund	\$28,614.77
Sewage Permit Fund	\$12,931.92
State Fund	\$74,905.44
Available Funds	\$1,449,689.63
General Fund CD #64	\$210,438.88
Total Funds	\$1,660,128.51

ACTIVITY		
Available Funds as of 01/19/2022	\$1,437,247.82	
CD Total	\$210,438.88	
Deposits	\$42,650.36	
Disbursements	\$30,208.55	
Total Funds Available as of 02/02/2022	\$1,660,128.51	

The Treasurer presented the following report.

Deposits included Earned Income Taxes, Local Services Taxes, Recorder of Deeds, and Armstrong quarterly payment.

Disbursements included the 2009 Peterbilt repairs and general operating expenses.

Rick Green motioned to approve the Treasurer report as presented. Larry Osche seconded the motion. Motion Carried Unanimously.

## **GENERAL FUND INVOICES APPROVAL**

Willie Adams motioned to approve for payment Hawk Court Reporting invoice 1451 for a stenographer and transcript of the Conditional Use Hearing for the telecommunication tower for \$309.70. Rick Green seconded the motion. Motion Carried Unanimously.

Larry Osche motioned to approve for payment Hunter Truck Sales & Service invoice X10117449:01 for filters and coolant for the 2009 Peterbilt truck for \$321.65. Rick Green seconded the motion. Motion Carried Unanimously.

Larry Osche motioned to approve for payment Hunter Truck Sales & Service invoice R101023020:01 for intake repair for the 2009 Peterbilt truck for \$3,228.01. Rick Green seconded the motion. Motion Carried Unanimously.

Larry Osche motioned to approve for payment Hunter Truck Sales & Service invoice X101117553:01 for an air dryer for the 2009 Peterbilt truck for \$398.45. Rick Green seconded the motion. Motion Carried Unanimously.

Rick Green motioned to approve the Jerich Insurance Agency invoice 2806 for third installment of the Township worker's compensation policy for \$1,023.00. Larry Osche seconded the motion. Motion Carried Unanimously.

#### TELECOMMUNICATION TOWER CONDITIONAL USE HEARING VOTE

Residents that were against the approval of cell towers with 5G capabilities attended the meeting and requested the Township implement requirements for cell towers.

Rick Green read the following conditions that the Township's Solicitor recommended.

The applicant acknowledges that there are certain persons and interests who assert that the operation of certain cellular equipment constitutes an environmental hazard. The applicant and the cellular tower industry strongly disagree with the position of these certain persons and interests. In the furtherance of their position, the applicant on behalf of itself and successors-in-interest, do hereby agree, as a condition of approval that if:(1) in the opinion of the cellular tower industry, (2) in the opinion of a Court of competent jurisdiction, whether state or federal, located within the geographic boundaries of the Third Circuit Court of the United States, or (3) pursuant to a law or regulation promulgated by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and/or its agencies; the equipment utilized on the cellular tower does constitute a hazard to the health, safety and welfare of the residents of the Township, then the applicant and/or its successors-in-interest shall forthwith suspend operations until the equipment complies with the requirements set forth by the entity named above which concluded that there is an environmental hazard.

Willie Adams motioned to approve the Conditional Use for a telecommunication tower at 3475 Beck Road, Butler, PA with the above referenced conditions. Rick Green seconded the motion. Willie Adams voted "yes." Rick Green voted "yes." Larry Osche voted "no" to the conditions. Motion Carried.

#### **RESOLUTION 2022-06 TAX COLLECTOR DISPOSITION OF RECORDS**

Willie Adams motioned to approve Resolution 2022-06 for the disposition of specific Tax Collector records according to the Municipal Records Manual. Rick Green seconded the motion. Motion Carried Unanimously.

## PHASE II PLAYGROUND GRANT ADMINISTRATOR

Rick Green motioned to approve the Phase II Playground Grant Administration Agreement with Butler County to administrator the grant funding for the Summit playground contingent upon the Summit Elementary PTO provides the \$20,000.00 grant match. Larry Osche seconded the motion. Willie Adams voted "no." Rick Green voted "yes." Larry Osche voted "yes." Motion Carried.

## **AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN FUNDING**

Eligible uses and accounting procedures for the funding were discussed.

#### **HEALTH INSURANCE**

Willie Adams motioned to renew the UPMC health insurance plan. Rick Green seconded the motion. Motion Carried Unanimously.

## **LOCAL SHARE ACCOUNT FUNDING**

The Township engineer submitted information regarding funding through the Local Share Account. Vehicles and construction are eligible uses. More than one application can be submitted. Joe Saeler from Butler County will be contacted to see if a cost estimate for the construction of municipal building is available to apply for the funding.

## **FORD-550 TRUCK**

The replacement of the Ford F-550 was discussed.

#### **REAR TIRES 2003 PETERBILT**

Larry Osche motioned to purchase rear tires for the 2003 Peterbilt truck. Rick Green seconded the motion. Motion Carried Unanimously.

**PIPE** 

Pipe will be ordered.

#### **ROADMASTER REPORT**

The Roadmaster presented the following report.

- 1. Winter road maintenance was performed.
- 2. Truck maintenance was performed.

The Karnes Crossing Bridge Project requires the relocation of a traffic signal pole. PennDOT submitted a traffic light agreement to the Township. Larry Osche will contact PennDOT for agreement clarifications.

## **ADDITIONAL BUSINESS**

There was no additional business.

#### **OPEN TO THE FLOOR – PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Residents requested the status of the Geibel Road bridge project. Butler County is responsible for maintaining the bridge. Butler County has determined that the two-lane bridge has only the capacity to be a one-lane bridge until repairs are completed. The State will engineer the project at no cost to the County. The project has been submitted to the State for engineering plans. If the plans are completed this year, the bridge project will begin in 2026,

An update on the Gagliardi water run-off issue was requested. The lawsuit is ongoing.

A resident requested the status of a new municipal building. Plans are being drawn-up.

Twenty-four individuals have qualified for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) mandatory tap-in grant funding.

## **ADJOURN**

With there being no further business to come before the Board of Supervisors, Rick Green made the motion to adjourn. Larry Osche seconded the motion. Motion Carried Unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted, Roxann L. Stickney, Secretary

NEXT MEETING WILL BE AT 6:45 P.M. ON WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2022