

Board of Supervisors

**MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING
December 21, 2021**

Supervisors Present: Jim Nilsen, Tony Matzura, Raymond Kade, Jim Hopkins and Bill Ryker.

Also, Present: Jason Wager (Township Manager), Colleen Pursell (Secretary/Treasurer) and Michael McDonald (Police Chief).

Mr. Nilsen called the meeting to order at 7:40 p.m. and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Executive Session was held prior to the meeting to discuss a matter of personnel.

Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items

No public comment was given.

Business

Acceptance of Bid for Snowblower, Fuel Tank and Filing Cabinet #180 per Municibid – Motion by Mr. Hopkins, seconded by Mr. Ryker and unanimously carried, accepting the offer of \$725.00 from Asher Leiser for the purchase of the 24" Ariens Snow Blower, accepting the offer of \$625.00 from Kyle Koretsky for the purchase of the Hoover Above-Ground Containment System and authorizing the disposal of filing cabinet #180, which was listed with no bids received.

Closing of Special Fees Fund – Motion by Mr. Kade, seconded by Mr. Ryker and unanimously carried authorizing the closing of the Township's Special Fees Fund and depositing its balance into the General Fund.

Approval of ARPA Expenses – The consensus of the Board was to reimburse the General Fund in the amount of \$29,671.73 of ARPA Funds, for costs incurred from the pandemic.

Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee Resolution 2021-15 – Motion by Mr. Nilsen, seconded by Mr. Kade and unanimously carried, adopting Resolution 2021-15- Establishing a Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee to Update the Township Comprehensive Plan.

Memorandum of Understanding Historic Commission Property History GIS Project – Motion by Mr. Nilsen, seconded by Mr. Kade and unanimously carried, authorizing the Memorandum of Understanding Between Springfield Township and David Bretz for Use of Springfield Township Historical Property Data.

2022 Salary Confirmation – Motion by Mr. Kade, seconded by Mr. Ryker and carried 4-1, Mr. Matura voted no, authorizing 2022 staff salary raises for a total of \$13,354.70. (Note: Police are under contract negotiations.)

Adopting the 2022 Fiscal Year Budget Resolution 2021-14 – Motion by Mr. Hopkins, seconded by Mr. Kade and unanimously carried, adopting Resolution 2021-14- Reaffirming Action Taken By Motion and Vote at the December 21, 2021, Meeting of the Board of Supervisors Adopting the 2022 Fiscal Year Budget.

2022 Tax Levy Resolution 2021-13 – Motion by Mr. Hopkins, seconded by Mr. Kade and unanimously carried, adopting Resolution 2021-13- Reaffirming Action Taken By Motion and Vote at the December 21, 2021, Meeting of the Board of Supervisors to Levy General for General Fund Purposes a Tax On All Real Estate Within the Township Made Taxable for Township Purposes, at the Rate of Fourteen (14.000) Mills for 2022.

Request from County EMS – ARPA Funds – Mr. Wager reminded the Board that Bucks County requested the Township to consider releasing \$16,046 of ARPA funding to support the County-wide EMS system. The consensus of the Board was to send notification to the County stating that the Township was not interested in providing ARPA funds at this time.

Public Comment

Mr. Wager provided the Board with an update to the Opioid Case Settlement. Due to the Township not having more than 10,000 residents, no further action is needed at this time. He also requested a consensus from the Board on whether they would like to continue to hold meetings virtually and in-person. The consensus of the Board was to continue holding all meetings virtually and in-person. Additionally, the Board briefly spoke about looking into purchasing better equipment to support virtual meetings.

Adjournment

Motion by Mr. Hopkins, seconded by Mr. Mr. Ryker and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 9:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Colleen M. Pursell
Secretary / Treasurer