

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING, SHALER TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2021

The meeting was called to order at approximately 7:00 P.M. by the Chairman David Shutter. Following a prayer by Commissioner Cross and the Pledge of Allegiance, the Chairman asked the Secretary to call the roll as follows:

PRESENT: Iozzo, Boyle, Cross, Shutter, McElhone, Mizgorski, Fisher
ALSO PRESENT: Timothy Rogers, Manager; Harlan Stone, Solicitor; Judith Kording, Assistant Manager; Robert Vita, Code Enforcement Officer; Amanda Jennings, Finance Assistant; Elaina DiBucci, Administrative Assistant

Mr. Rogers noted that **Commissioner Fisher** called into the meeting and was present telephonically due to being out of state.

The Chairman announced that an Executive Session was held on January 26, 2021 and this evening at 5:30 p.m. wherein the following topics were discussed: employee and personnel matters, contracts and policies, and an update on the actual and on-going litigation as well as potential litigations and identifiable complaints and agency business which if conducted in public would violate a lawful privilege or lead to the disclosure of confidential information. Mr. Stone said the session was absolutely necessary and was in full compliance with the Pennsylvania Sunshine Act and Act 15 which covers public meetings under the Governors Declaration of Disaster Emergency.

Approval of Minutes

The first item of business was the possible approval of the Regular Meeting Minutes of the Board of Commissioners held Tuesday, January 12, 2021. **Mr. Boyle moved, seconded by Mr. Cross that the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 12, 2021 be approved as received by each Commissioner. The motion was carried.**

Shaler North Hills Library

The next item of business was a report from **Ms. Sharon McRae**, Director of the Shaler North Hills Library (SNHL). **Ms. McRae** stated that the library is now open for in person services, but they are still offering window service, curbside, call in, email, etc. She stated they added a help station for one-on-one computer use. Ms. McRae explained many events SNHL has coming up including things like the adult services group having valentines made for seniors from Shaler Schools and various community groups, the pierogi truck and book sale appointments. Ms. McRae stated the SNHL is figuring out the best way to honor Mrs. Yates, former Director of SNHL for 22 years. She also stated eBook usage continues to grow as we continue throughout the COVID-19 pandemic as well as the use of their wifi in the parking lot.

Planning Commission

The next item of business was the Planning Commission minutes. **Mr. Piekarski** stated final approval was given for the Site Development for Subdivision/Property Line Revision – Thomas Rudolph – 1440 and 1448 Anderson Road – Second Ward – Lot & Block 283-E-125

and 283-E-144 and that is on the agenda for tonight's Board meeting for final approval from the Board.

Engineers Report – Mr. Matthew Sebastian

The next item of business was the Engineers Report.

- *Sanitary and Storm Sewer*
 - Insight Pipe Contracting completed approximately 625 feet of sanitary sewer lining. We work with Insight through the NHCOC Sewer Rehabilitation contract. Additional lining will be completed throughout the year as we identify sewer O&M needs.
 - Met with Gateway Engineers to discuss our ongoing sanitary sewer source reduction efforts. In the coming months, we will develop modeling and proposed projects to pursue ALCOSAN GROW grant funding, as we work toward our goals of eliminating overflows and meeting the “Gold Line Standard” in our system.
- *Paving*
 - Finalized the proposed 2021 Road Paving list and presented it at the January Committee Meetings. With the Board's approval, I will get the project out to bid in February in preparation for summer paving.
- *Other*
 - Received bids for the repair of the filter building at the Crawford Pool. A wall in the building is failing and we are on track for the repairs to be completed in February.
 - Completed our annual Community Rating System (CRS) recertification. Our involvement in the CRS program allows for the residents of Shaler to get a discount on their flood insurance.
 - Coordinated with Public Works to install stormwater management improvements at the Elfinwild Fire Hall.

Shaler Hampton EMS

The next item of business was a report from **Mr. Eric Schmidt**, Director of Shaler Hampton EMS (SHEMS). Mr. Schmidt reported on distribution by calls by hour of the day which was very different than normal, calls dropped significantly in the evening, typically the call volume continues throughout the evening. He also reported on the number of COVID cases within the area and it seems to be a flattening.

Mr. Schmidt stated the annual subscription drive is coming up and this year they are encouraging people to enroll online instead of mailing things to make the process simpler and faster. He stated there is no change in the program this year.

New Business

The next item of business was the possible approval of Site Development for Subdivision/Property Line Revision – Thomas Rudolph – 1440 and 1448 Anderson Road – Second Ward – Lot & Block 283-E-125 and 283-E-144. Mr. Vita stated this subdivision involves three lots and there are various structures over top of different property lines. Mr. Vita stated if

they ever were to try and sell any one of those properties, they would never warranty the title, so this subdivision/property line revision will eliminate all of these issues.

Mr. Mizgorski moved, seconded by Mr. Iozzo that the Possible approval of Site Development for Subdivision/Property Line Revision – Thomas Rudolph – 1440 and 1448 Anderson Road – Second Ward – Lot & Block 283-E-125 and 283-E-144 be approved. The motion was carried.

Receipts and Authorizations

The next item of business was the receipts for the month of January 2021.

Mr. Boyle moved, seconded by Mr. Cross that the receipts for the month of January 2021 be turned over to the proper authorities for deposit. The motion was carried.

The next item of business was the authorizations for the month of January 2021.

Mr. Boyle moved, seconded by Mr. Iozzo that warrants be drawn for the month of January 2021. The motion was carried.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Parks and Recreation

The next item of business was the 2021 Crawford Pool Recommendations from the Parks and Recreation Committee Meeting on January 26, 2021.

Mr. Mizgorski moved, seconded by Mrs. Fisher that the recommendation from the Parks and Recreation Committee Meeting of January 26, 2021 for the 2021 Crawford Pool Recommendation be approved. The motion was carried.

The next item of business was the updated Field Rules and Regulations from the Parks and Recreation Committee Meeting on January 26, 2021.

Mr. Mizgorski moved, seconded by Mrs. Fisher that the recommendation from the Parks and Recreation Committee Meeting of January 26, 2021 for the updated Field Rules and Regulations for all Shaler Township fields be approved. The motion was carried.

Public Works

Possible approval of 2021 Road Paving Program with an estimated total of \$1,446,254.12

The next item of business was the possible approval of the 2021 Road Paving Program.

Mr. Mizgorski moved, seconded by Mr. Iozzo to approve the 2021 Road Paving Program with an estimated total of \$1,446,254.12. The motion was carried.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No. 2-2021 Shaler Hampton EMS Annual Subscription Drive

The next item of business was the possible approval of Resolution No. 2-2021. **Mr. Cross moved, seconded by Mr. Boyle that Resolution No. 2-2021 for the Shaler Hampton EMS Subscription Drive be approved by voice vote. The motion was carried.**

Commissioners Comments

Mr. Mizgorski recommended three lifelong members from the Shaler Fire Police for their public service whom have recently passed away: Billy Fox, Bob Kleinfelter and Ron Tiedman. He saluted their dedication and commitment which made Shaler Township a safer place.

Mr. Boyle commended the Public Works for their hard work throughout all the recent snow the Township received.

Manager's Report

Mr. Rogers stated the ALCOSAN transfer trunk agreement is being finalized in anticipation of ownership of the two trunk mains within the Township to ALCOSAN for ownership.

Mr. Rogers also reported on the snow/salt for the Public Works Department. He stated the township has been keeping track of costs since 2012 and this past January was the most the Township has purchased, \$190,000. He stated the township is looking into doing some conservation until they can receive enough salt that they need as all municipalities are in high demand for salt currently.

Public Comments

There being no further business, **Mr. Boyle moved, seconded by Mr. Cross that the meeting be adjourned at 7:31 PM.**

Respectfully submitted,

Timothy J. Rogers, Secretary
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