

The Hanover Township Board of Supervisors held **Regular Meeting** on **Thursday February 19, 2015** at 7:30 pm at the Municipal Building. Those present were Kevin Lemmi – Chairman, David Duerr – Vice-Chair, Herbert Grubbs-Supervisor, Wendy M. Turrentine-Secretary/Treasurer & Dennis Makel-Solicitor.

Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Approval of Minutes:

1. Regular Meeting January 15, 2015

Motion: To approve the minutes from the Regular Meeting January 15, 2015 with changes.

Motion: David Duerr 2nd: Kevin Lemmi

Vote: Mr. Lemmi-yes, Mr. Duerr-yes, Mr. Grubbs-yes **Motion Passed**

Questions on Agenda Items: None

Chairman's Report: None

Public Safety:

Animal Control: 13 calls answered, 1 citation, 9 warnings, 3 dogs picked up/placed in kennel, 1 dog returned to owner and 9 nuisance calls received.

Fire: 11 vehicle accidents, 4 mutual aids, 1 false alarm, 1 tree down, 1 public service, 10 medical and 1 lift assist totaling 29 calls for January.

Police: They are gearing up for the season at the pavilion with 20 concerts booked to date

Road Report:

The Road Crew has been busy plowing and ashing the roadways as well as upkeep on equipment.

774 hours were worked with wages totaling \$16,616.

The new road drag has arrived.

Maintenance on various equipment.

Approve Expenses:

Motion: To approve the Bills List

Motion: Kevin Lemmi 2nd: David Duerr

Vote: Mr. Lemmi-yes, Mr. Duerr-yes, Mr. Grubbs-yes **Motion Passed**

New Business:

1. Sewer Authority Line of Credit

The extension is the same as last year and the line of credit is used and then paid back by PennVest.

Mr. Call said there have been very few expenses added to it over the last year and it is a short term financing solution.

Mr. Duerr asked if they are current on the interest payments and Mr. Call said they are.

Motion: To approve signing the extension of the line of credit for the Sewer Authority.

Motion: Herbert Grubbs 2nd: David Duerr

Vote: Mr. Lemmi-yes, Mr. Duerr-yes, Mr. Grubbs-yes **Motion Passed**

2. Harmon Creek B Site for Range Resources

There was a Conditional Use Hearing held on January 15, 2015 regarding the proposed well pad off of Log Cabin Road.

Mr. Grubbs pointed out that the Harmon Creek A site is located in Smith Township but the sign incorrectly says Hanover Township.

Mr. Makel suggested that Range Resources meet with the Fire Chief to develop an emergency plan. The Findings of Facts and Conclusions of Law had one minor change on page 6.

These will cover school bus hours, FNP, traffic, limitations of construction activity, etc...

Motion: To adopt of the Finding of Facts and Conclusions of Law and approve the Harmon Creek B Site by Range Resources.

Motion: Herbert Grubbs 2nd: Kevin Lemmi

Vote: Mr. Lemmi-yes, Mr. Duerr-yes, Mr. Grubbs-yes **Motion Passed**

3. Police Professional Insurance Quote

The current carrier, Lexington Insurance, requested that losses go back an additional four years and by doing so, increased the premium for 2014 by \$25,000 to \$188,633.

Indian Harbor Insurance, which has the same rating as Lexington, quoted the same coverage with a three year retroactive date for \$113,953.

Both are Claims Made policies and will cover new claims made from previous years.

For 2016, the goal is to combine the Police Professional, Public Officials and General Liability in the hopes of further reducing premium costs.

Motion: To approve the quote from Indian Harbor for \$113,953 for the Police Professional Insurance effective 3/15/15-3/15/16.

Motion: David Duerr 2nd: Kevin Lemmi

Vote: Mr. Lemmi-yes, Mr. Duerr-yes, Mr. Grubbs-yes **Motion Passed**

4. Authorize Advertisement for Road Materials

The amounts need to include "more or less" to clarify what m/l means and this needs added to the Amount for gasoline.

Motion: To authorize the advertisement for the Spring Road Materials.

Motion: Herbert Grubbs 2nd: David Duerr

Vote: Mr. Lemmi-yes, Mr. Duerr-yes, Mr. Grubbs-yes **Motion Passed**

5. Engine Brake Ordinance

Mr. Lemmi said he believes there will be an increase in truck traffic, especially with Hydro Recovery.

Mr. Grubbs stated that Rt 18 is state road and therefore signs and guidelines are done through PennDot.

Mr. Makel suggested to contact the Township's representative with Penn Dot and see what their procedures are regarding place jake brake signs along state roads.

Mr. Makel also stated that due to the positive safety aspects of jake brakes, he would caution the Township to complete a study on any local roads prior to enacting an ordinance.

No Formal Action Taken

6. Outdoor Boiler Ordinance

Mr. Lemmi said that some people have wood burners outside of their homes to heat their houses and the smoke can overtake neighboring houses.

The DEP has Phase I and Phase II boilers.

-State law mandates that people can no longer manufacture, buy, sell or import anything but a Phase II or better.

-Some residents use these year round for their hot water tanks.

The DEP also has model ordinances for municipalities.

Mr. Grubbs suggested Mr. Lemmi get an ordinance together and present it to the Board.

No Formal Action Taken

7. New Pick Up Truck for the Road Department

Mr. Grubbs said there were two quotes received through the Costars program.

Woltz & Wind Ford for a 2015 Ford F-250 with snow plow for \$34,190.00

Fairway Motors for a 2015 Chevy Silverado 2500HD with a snow plow for \$34,515.66

Mr. Grubbs said that they would like to buy the Chevrolet.

Mr. Duerr asked if the bed would be a spray in bed liner. Mr. Grubbs said he did not know.

Motion: To purchase the 2015 Chevrolet Silverado 2500HD from Fairway Motors for \$34,515.66 through the CoStars Program.

Motion: Herbert Grubbs 2nd: David Duerr

Vote: Mr. Lemmi-yes, Mr. Duerr-yes, Mr. Grubbs-yes **Motion Passed**

8. Luke Bryan Police Coverage

Mr. Duerr explained that Luke Bryan will be at the pavilion for two back to back sold out shows.

-There is concern that Bennett Acres will need patrolled with concert goers staying there.

-There is a need for police coverage overnight.

Mr. Duerr is requesting permission to use pavilion officers to provide 24 hour protection.

-The proposal is to have four officers on duty, two per vehicle with one Township Officer accompanied by one Pavilion Officer.

Mr. Grubbs suggested the authorization to use pavilion officers to back up Township officers.

Motion: To authorize Dave Duerr to develop a schedule and rate of pay for seasonal detail officers to back up Township officers in the Township as needed.

Motion: David Duerr 2nd: Kevin Lemmi

Vote: Mr. Lemmi-yes, Mr. Duerr-yes, Mr. Grubbs-yes **Motion Passed**

9. Request from Fire Department for Funding

\$60,000 was budgeted for the refurbishment of a fire truck based on an estimate from the Fire Department.

-Mike Morra said they received the quote and it will be approximately \$120,000.

Mr. Duerr asked if the refurbishment could be bid out to other companies.

-Mr. Morra stated no as it has to go back to the manufacturer to be certified.

Mr. Morra said it will take 3 months to complete the recertification and it be recertified for 10 years.

Mr. Lemmi stated there are 4-5 items on the quote that are just the cost for inspection.

-Mr. Duerr asked if this was just a low end estimate for an inspection.

-Mr. Morra said they will not know what needs replaced until they tear in to it but they have looked at the truck and these are the issues they feel will need addressed.

-Mr. Duerr said his concern is that this is the only company he is being told can do it.

Mr. Grubbs asked how much a new truck cost and they are approximately \$600,000.

Mr. Duerr asked if the Fire Department was able to put any of their funds towards the truck.

-Mr. Morra stated the Fire Department is trying to save their funds for a new truck.

Mr. Grubbs asked what would happen if the truck was not recertified and if it would have to be taken out of service.

-Mr. Morra said it would probably only have 5-7 years left in service.

-Mr. Duerr asked if it wasn't recertified if it would have to be taken out of service.

-Mr. Morra said yes, it would have to be taken out of service.

Mr. Grubbs asked where they were going to get the funds for a new truck.

-Mr. Morra said they will finance it.

Mr. Lemmi said that \$60,000 was allocated to the Fire Department out of Impact Fees and questioned whether there was additional funding allocated from the Gaming Fund.

-Mr. Lemmi asked what the Fire Department was going to do if the cost exceeded the \$120,000.

-Mr. Morra said they are hoping there are no unexpected issues that will incur additional costs.

-Mr. Duerr again raised his concern that this was the only company able to complete the work.

-Mr. Morra said it was the only company who can recertify it.

Mr. Grubbs asked why they weren't purchasing a new truck now.

-Mr. Morra said it will take a year to get a new one delivered and they are trying to keep them rotated.

-Mr. Donohue said they are trying to get their best truck recertified because their old pumper will not last much longer and then look to purchase a new one in the next couple of years.

-Mr. Duerr said he is not against giving the Fire Department the funding for the truck, his question and concern is that this is the only company they are stating is able to complete the work.

Mr. Grubbs asked what small communities do without the financial help of their townships.

-Mr. Morra said they do what they can with the old equipment they have.

-The loss of bingo has depleted their budget.

Mr. Duerr said there is \$60,000 in the Impact Fees budgets for the refurbishment and an additional \$50,000 for Board approved projects to that will go towards the \$120,000 cost.

Motion: Allocate \$110,000 from the Impact Fees and \$10,000 from the Gaming Funds to cover the \$120,000 refurbishment cost of a truck for the Fire Department.

Motion: David Duerr 2nd: Kevin Lemmi

Vote: Mr. Lemmi-yes, Mr. Duerr-yes, Mr. Grubbs-yes **Motion Passed**

Not on Agenda:

1) Signs on the highway during an accident

Mr. Donohue stated that when there is an accident on the 4 lane, cars are still doing the speed limit with one lane open and it is causing dangerous conditions.

-They are requesting Reduced Speed signs for safety reasons during an accident.

Mr. Makel stated that according to the motor vehicle code, he does not believe that these signs can be posted.

10. Authorize the Advertisement for a Solicitor for the Zoning Hearing Board

The Zoning Hearing Board is requesting an advertisement be posted for a solicitor.

Mr. Grubbs questioned why they needed one and Mr. Lemmi stated it would be for future hearings.

-Mr. Grubbs stated normally the Township solicitor will recommend one if one is needed.

Tabled

11. Purchase of a Transport Van for the Police Department

Mr. Duerr explained that the current transport van is a 1982 model.

There is a 2006 Chevy transport van already equipped with the cage from Venture Auto Sales in Augusta, GA for \$13,900 plus shipping.

The shipping will be approximately \$600.

Motion: To authorize the purchase of a 2006 Chevy Transport Van for the police department from Venture Auto Sales in the amount of \$13,900 plus the cost of shipping.

Motion: David Duerr 2nd: Kevin Lemmi

Vote: Mr. Lemmi-yes, Mr. Duerr-yes, Mr. Grubbs-yes **Motion Passed**

12. Weight Limit Study Quotes

Two quotes were received to conduct a weight limit study on Township Roads.

Wind Ridge Engineering Co. \$180/mile totaling \$11,880

Trans Associates \$37,000 total

Motion: To approve the quote from Wind Ridge Engineering Co. up to \$12,000 to conduct a weight limit study on Township Roadways.

Motion: Kevin Lemmi 2nd: Herbert Grubbs

Vote: Mr. Lemmi-yes, Mr. Duerr-yes, Mr. Grubbs-yes **Motion Passed**

13. Release of Bonds on Curry and Kings Creek Road by MidOhio Pipeline

There was some damage to the roadway where holes had to be patched and this area will need tar and chipped again to seal it.

Mr. Handick said it would cost approximately \$1,500 in labor and materials to completely repair it.

Motion: To release the bond from MidOhio Pipeline on Curry and Kings Creek Road with the condition that they remit payment in the amount of \$1,500 to repair the damage done by their work.

Motion: Herbert Grubbs 2nd: Kevin Lemmi

Vote: Mr. Lemmi-yes, Mr. Duerr-yes, Mr. Grubbs-yes **Motion Passed**

Public Comments: None

Adjourn: 9:50pm

Kevin Lemmi, Chairman

David Duerr, Vice Chairman

Herbert Grubbs, Supervisor

ATTEST: _____
Wendy M. Turrentine, Secretary/Treasurer

Date