

# HIGHLAND TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

January 7, 2019 @ 5:30 pm

## Meeting Minutes

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The Highland Township Board of Supervisors met on this date @ 7:00 p.m., as publicly advertised, at the Highland Township Municipal Building located at 3641 Fairfield Road, Gettysburg, PA 17325.

### **PRESENT:**

Chairman Craig Rockey, Supervisor Ed Steinour, Supervisor Gary Dingle, Secretary Mary Sherman

### **PUBLIC**

None

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

#### **Supervisors Meeting Minutes December 11, 2018:**

Supervisor Dingle moved, seconded by Supervisor Rockey to approve the December 11th, 2018 Supervisor meeting minutes. The vote was unanimous.

### **TREASURERS REPORTS:**

The December 2018 Treasurers report was discussed in detail. Supervisor Rockey moved, seconded by Supervisor Dingle to accept the treasurers report as written. The vote was unanimous.

#### **ACNB Bank CD's:**

The two ACNB Bank CD's will be withdrawn on January 13<sup>th</sup> and be reinvested with PLGIT.

#### **Increase Secretary Bond:**

The Supervisors agreed to increase the Treasurers bond from \$1,000,000 to \$1,200,000.

### **APPROVAL OF BILLS PAID AND PAYROLL**

Supervisor Dingle moved, seconded by Supervisor Steinour to approve the December 2018 reports as presented. The vote was unanimous.

### **ROAD MASTERS REPORT:**

#### **Road Salt:**

The time has come to complete the Road Salt contract through COSTARS. Both salt sheds are full. We ordered 44 tons for the 2019-2019 season and are legally obligated to purchase 60% of our stated needs. The Supervisors agreed to wait a month to see how the weather goes and decide in February. We will complete the new contract by the March 15, 2019 deadline.

#### **Gift card for Willie Green:**

The Supervisors agreed to have the Secretary purchase a gift card for former road worker Willie Green to thank him for coming in over the weekend to help with the Mack truck orientation.

#### **Bucket for Backhoe:**

Supervisor Steinour will call Stephenson's for an update on the location of the new bucket for the backhoe.

#### **Brush Cutting:**

Supervisor Rockey mentioned that we should think about contracting a rental to cut back the brush along the Township roads. It will be discussed at the February meeting.

### **SUBDIVISION AND LAND DEVELOPMENT:**

None

**LAND AND SEA SERVICES:**

**December 2018 Reports:**

The December 2018 reports were reviewed and discussed. The Supervisors agree to accept the reports as written.

**RIGHT-TO-KNOW REQUEST:**

None

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**COG:** No one was able to attend the meeting. There are no minutes to review. The next meeting is January 24, 2019.

**YATB:** The next meeting is January 28, 2019 @ 6:30. Supervisor Dingle will attend.

**Fairfield Fire Department meeting:** The next meeting is January 28, 2019 @ 3:30.

**FREMA:** The next meeting is February 18<sup>th</sup> @ 6:00 pm

**Special Event Ordinance:**

A public meeting will be held on February 12, 2019 @ 6:30 pm to accept comments on the amendment to the Zoning Ordinance. Solicitor Linus Fenicle will advertise the meeting in the Gettysburg Times. The BOS meeting will immediately follow the public hearing. Both the Special Events Ordinance and the amendment to the Zoning Ordinance will be adopted at the BOS meeting.

**Junk Ordinance:**

Supervisor Rocky is contacting other townships and jurisdictions regarding their junk ordinances, particularly what is done with “junk vehicles”. He will report back to the others at the February meeting.

**Proposed Fire company Donation:**

The Supervisors will meet with Bill Jacobs, Chief of the Fairfield Fire Department, for a tour of the new fire truck on January 15<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00 pm. They will then present Chief Jacobs with a generous donation from the township.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**B&B in Highland Township:**

The Supervisors discussed Land and Sea’s email response regarding opening a B&B in the township. This was brought on by a call to Land and Sea asking whether the zoning would permit a wedding venue in the Land Conservation district. (which is not permitted). There would be several requirements to open a B&B in the township, and the applicant would most likely have to apply for a special exception through the Zoning Hearing Board if they didn’t meet the requirements.

**Wireless Ordinance:**

PA House Bill 2564 failed to be voted out of the Consumer Affairs Committee before the close of the 2017-18 legislative session. Defeating the bill was a victory for local governments and their ability to manage HB 2564 would have stripped municipalities of their zoning authority over wireless poles and antennas in the rights-of-way and drastically cut the fees municipalities could assess. Although the bill failed in the last legislative session, they have vowed to reintroduce the bill in 2019. The Supervisors discussed the importance of having an ordinance in place. The Secretary will call Sam Wiser’s office to see if they would be interested in taking this on, not just for Highland but for all the municipalities. This could be done through the COG.

Supervisor Dingle moved, seconded by Supervisor Steinour to adjourn the meeting @ 7:44 pm.

Mary Sherman  
Secretary/Treasurer  
Highland Township