

**Barrett Township Supervisors
June 8, 2016**

A regular meeting of the Barrett Township Supervisors was held on Wednesday, June 8, 2016 at the Barrett Township Building on Route 390 in Mountainhome, PA. The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Chairman Ralph Megliola.

**Present: Loree Guthrie, Benjie Labar, Ralph Megliola, William Pipolo, Jr., John Seese, Solicitor Todd Weitzmann, Pam Gardsy, Jeryl Rinehart and the public.
There were no public comments on the agenda items.**

The minutes of the May 25, 2016 meeting were approved on a motion made by Ralph Megliola and seconded by William Pipolo, Jr. and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

Ralph Megliola made a motion to approve the payment of the following bills:

- May 26, 2016: General Fund - \$ 45,026.78, State Fund - \$ 1,781.51, Fire Fund - \$ 893.39**
- June 2, 2016: General Fund - \$ 2,164.53, Library Fund - \$ 533.02, Ambulance Fund - \$ 177.92, Park and Recreation Fund - \$ 259.86, State Fund – \$ 2,731.19**

The motion was seconded by Benjie Labar and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

Public Hearing:

The purpose of the Public Hearing is for the opportunity for the public to comment on the Zoning map changes. It was noted that the Public Hearing notice was advertised in the Pocono Record on May 17, 2016 and May 24, 2016. Public Notices were mailed to twenty six (26) property owners to correct properties that were zoned in two or more Zoning Districts or one property owner owning several contiguous properties being put in the same Zoning District. Numerous residents voiced their concerns about the Zoning Map changes. It was noted that a letter should be submitted from the property owner requesting their Zoning District change within thirty (30) days. Ralph Megliola made a motion to close the Public Hearing. The motion was seconded by Benjie Labar and carried. All Supervisors voted aye. Ralph Megliola made a motion to table the Zoning Map changes. The motion was seconded by Loree Guthrie and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

Reports:

a. The Treasurer's Report was read. On a motion made by Ralph Megliola and seconded by Loree Guthrie and carried, the report was accepted as read.

b. The Environmental Advisory Committee and the Open Space Committee Reports were read. On a motion made by Benjie Labar and seconded by

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William Pipolo, Jr. and carried, the reports were accepted as read.

Old Business:

a. John Seese reported that the demolition will begin on the Playhouse on July 25, 2016.

b. Pam Gardsy reported that she researched the Open Space Funding and confirmed that up to 25% of the Open Space Fund can be used for development and maintenance of Open Space properties.

New Business:

a. Ralph Megliola made a motion to approve the payroll for May 26, 2016 in the amount of \$ 21,937.59 for gross wages, \$ 672.71 for state liability, \$ 6,317.25 for federal tax liability, \$ 16,342.52 for net wages. The motion was seconded by John Seese and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

b. A letter was received from EarthRes Engineering notifying the Township that Air Quality General Permit Renewal Applications are being filed for existing portable crushing plant equipment and associated nonroad diesel-fired internal combustion engines. The existing equipment is operated by E.R. Linde Construction Corporation at the Cresco Quarry located on Quarry Lane.

c. A letter was received from the Monroe County Conservation District for the Skytop Dam project. They conducted an inspection of earth disturbance and submitted their report.

d. A letter was received from the Monroe County Board of Assessment with a list of building assessment for the month of May, 2016.

e. A letter was received from Greg Malcervelli requesting the Supervisors consider selling him the property owned by the Township to resolve a septic system problem. The property is located at 6735 Route 191 and is the Forest Fire Crew building. Solicitor Todd Weitzman will review the letter and advise the Supervisors at a later date.

f. A letter was received from Charles Garris, Monroe County Commissioner informing the Supervisors that they are taking the necessary steps to start the process of implementing the county wide reassessment. The date has been set for valuation as January 1, 2019.

g. Pam Gardsy reported that Priscilla Kice from the Barrett Township Historical Society spoke with her about putting displays of the 1955 Flood at High acres Park,

Canadensis Methodist Church and possibly at the Cresco Train Station. The Supervisors approved of the 1955 Flood displays.

h. A letter was received from the Monroe County Control Center with official notification that the Monroe County Control Center Board of Directors are proceeding with the replacement of their current public safety radio communications tower located at Monomonock Road.

i. Discussion was held on purchasing signs for the Community Shed and the Welcome to Barrett Township Signs. Pam Gardsy received two quotes for the preparation of the signs. The Welcome to Barrett Township signs will be located on the Buck Hill Property on Route 191 and the Lake in the Clouds property on Route 447. Ralph Megliola made a motion to have Barrett Signs prepare the signs at a cost of \$ 918.00, contingent of the property owner's approval of the signs being placed on their property. The motion was seconded by John Seese and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

Miscellaneous:

a. It was noted that a certificate of insurance were received from NEMA Group, LLC.

Patti O'Keefe from the Open Space Committee requested that the Supervisors purchase the Price property on Route 447 next to High Acres Park with Open Space funds. The property is 24.97 acres, has about 1800 feet of Brodhead Creek frontage and is selling for \$ 75,000. The appraisal for the property was \$ 78,000. Ralph Megliola made a motion to table the decision on the purchase of the property until they could discuss it further. The motion was seconded by Benjie Labar and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

Susan Hannig expressed her concerns about the amount of traffic and speeding on Playhouse Lane due to the bridge repair on Route 390. There are several hearing impaired children in that area. Roadmaster John Seese will install signs on Playhouse Lane concerning the children and will start the process to reduce the speed limit.

As there was no further business or public comment, Ralph Megliola made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:55 p.m. The motion was seconded by Benjie Labar and carried. All Supervisors voted aye.

Respectfully submitted,