MINUTES
SCOTT TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
301 LINDSAY ROAD, MAIN MEETING ROOM
SCOTT TOWNSHIP, PA 15106
REGULAR MEETING
JUNE 23, 2015

The meeting was called to order by President David Jason at 7:30 p.m. Mr. Giudici led all present in prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call:

Patricia A. Caruso	Present
Eileen Meyers	Present
Thomas M. Castello, Esq.	Present
Stacey A. Altman	Present
Donald W. Giudici, C.P.A.	Present
Craig C. Stephens, Esq.	Present
David G. Calabria	Present
William E. Wells	Present
David A. Jason	Present

PRESENT - 9 ABSENT - 0

ALSO PRESENT: Robert McTiernan, Esq., Solicitor, Tucker Arensburg, PC
Lawrence J. Lennon, P.E., Lennon, Smith, Souleret Engineering, Inc.
Denise H. Fitzgerald, Township Manager
Robert Fischer, Building Inspector/Code Enforcement Officer
Sandra Novelli, Finance Director
Kathleen Gazda, Assistant Secretary
Chief James Secreet

Agenda

Approve agenda, as revised and submitted

Motion by Mr. Giudici, second by Mr. Castello to approve the agenda, as revised and submitted.

Motion carried (9-0).

Public Comments on Agenda Items
(To be addressed at the beginning of each Committee report)

Bill List

Approve Bill List and authorize payment of disbursements from the General Fund in the amount of $525,159.44

Motion by Mr. Castello, second by Mrs. Meyers to approve the Bill List and authorize payment of disbursements from the General Fund in the amount of $525,159.44.

Roll Call

Mrs. Caruso	Yes
Mrs. Meyers	Yes
Mr. Castello	Yes
Ms. Altman	Yes
Mr. Giudici	Yes
Mr. Stephens	Yes
Mr. Calabria	Yes
Mr. Wells	Yes
Mr. Jason	Yes

Motion carried (9-0).

Planning Zoning and Code Enforcement

Solicitor's Report

Mr. McTiernan said he has two items relating to litigation and real estate to be discussed in Executive Session.

Engineer's Report

Approve Partial Payment No. 5 for Contract No. 14-S1 2014 Storm Sewer Improvements from Stefanik's Next Generation Contracting Company in the amount of $42,104.25

Mr. Lennon said this has been reviewed by his office. It is in order and he would recommend payment.

Motion by Mr. Castello, second by Ms. Altman to approve Partial Payment No. 5 for Contract No. 14-S1 2014 Storm Sewer Improvements from Stefanik's Next Generation Contracting Company in the amount of $42,104.25.

Roll Call

Mrs. Caruso	Yes
Mrs. Meyers	Yes
Mr. Castello	Yes
Ms. Altman	Yes
Mr. Giudici	Yes
Mr. Stephens	Yes
Mr. Calabria	Yes
Mr. Wells	Yes
Mr. Jason	Yes

Motion carried (9-0).

Confirm with SHACOG the township's intention to proceed with demolition project at 310 Duncan Way

Motion by Mr. Giudici, second by Mr. Castello to confirm with SHACOG the township's intention to proceed with demolition project at 310 Duncan Way.

Roll Call

Mr. Giudici	Yes
Mr. Stephens	Yes
Mr. Castello	Yes
Mr. Calabria	Yes
Mr. Wells	Yes
Mrs. Meyers	Yes
Mrs. Caruso	Yes
Ms. Altman	Yes
Mr. Jason	Yes

Motion carried (9-0).

Mr. Wells asked if there is any word on the Thepitt building.

Mr. Lennon said they filed three grant applications last year and hasn't heard back.

Mrs. Fitzgerald said she recently received two denials.

Mr. Lennon said it had a hefty price tag and he doesn't know how they would pay for it.

Mr. Castello said he suggested Bob look into the fleet of trucks parked there. If they are renting, they could garnish the rental money.

Mrs. Meyers said the trucks haven't moved.

Mr. Fischer said someone was looking at the location recently.

Mr. Wells said it is zoned Industrial with access to the Parkway and I-79.

Mr. Fischer said there were fines levied by Judge Gallo on the building.

Mr. McTiernan said the cost of a sheriff's sale is about $7,500. They have to pay for advertising and legal fees.

Mr. Calabria said they might turn it into a parking lot.

Mr. Wells said they just sold a vacant lot across the street from St. Clair Hospital for $4,500,000.

Mr. Fischer said that included a building and 8 acres.

Mr. Castello said he does not believe they are parking forty trucks there on their own.

Motion by Mrs. Meyers, second by Mr. Castello to proceed with Sheriff's Sale on Thepitt Building with costs not to exceed $7,500.00.

Roll Call

Mrs. Caruso	Yes
Mr. Stephens	Yes
Ms. Altman	Yes
Mrs. Meyers	Yes
Mr. Giudici	Yes
Mr. Calabria	Yes
Mr. Castello	Yes
Mr. Wells	Yes
Mr. Jason	Yes

Motion carried (9-0).

Mr. Lennon said they are scheduled to open bids for the pool on July 23 and award the next Tuesday. Then they can proceed in August

Advertise for bids for demolition and construction of pool

Motion by Mr. Castello, second by Mrs. Caruso to advertise for bids for demolition and construction of pool.

Roll Call

Mrs. Caruso	Yes
Mrs. Meyers	Yes
Mr. Castello	Yes
Ms. Altman	Yes
Mr. Giudici	Yes
Mr. Stephens	Yes
Mr. Calabria	Yes
Mr. Wells	Yes
Mr. Jason	Yes

Motion carried (9-0).

Discuss bid opening for Spinner Field and Hope Street Park Improvements project

Mr. Lennon said they advertised for three separate bids for plumbing, electrical and general contractor. The bids he has are higher that estimated and he would recommend rejecting all three and re-bidding and re-advertise. He said Stefanik has the ability to do all the work.

Motion by Mr. Castello, second by Ms. Altman to advertise re-bids for Spinner Field and Hope Street Park.

Roll Call

Mrs. Meyers	Yes
Ms. Altman	Yes
Mr. Wells	Yes
Mrs. Caruso	Yes
Mr. Castello	Yes
Mr. Giudici	Yes
Mr. Stephens	Yes
Mr. Calabria	Yes
Mr. Jason	Yes

Motion carried (9-0).

Standard Reports

Treasurer's Report

Approve the total real estate commissions due the Tax Collector for the month of May 2015 for the years 2013 and 2014 in the amount of $333.55

Motion by Mr. Castello, second by Ms. Altman to approve the total real estate commissions due the Tax Collector for the month of May 2015 for the years 2013 and 2014 in the amount of $333.55.

Roll Call

Mr. Wells	Yes
Mr. Calabria	Yes
Mr. Stephens	Yes
Mr. Giudici	Yes
Ms. Altman	Yes
Mr. Castello	Yes
Mrs. Meyers	Yes
Mrs. Caruso	Yes
Mr. Jason	Yes

Motion carried (9-0).

Additional reports, as submitted: Secretary's Report, Building Inspector's Report, Magistrate's Report and Public Works Report.

Standing Committee Report - Finance

Approve or deny having appraisal made of property at 2100 Bower Hill Road

Motion by Mr. Castello, second by Ms. Altman to approve or deny having appraisal made of property at 2100 Bower Hill Road, not to exceed $2,500.00.

Roll Call

Mr. Calabria	Yes
Mr. Giudici	Yes

Mr. Castello	Yes
Mrs. Caruso	Yes
Mr. Wells	Yes
Mr. Stephens	Yes
Ms. Altman	Yes
Mrs. Meyers	Yes
Mr. Jason	Yes

Motion carried (9-0).

Authorize Cypress Associates, Inc. to present its Cypress Advantage Plan to township employees

Mr. Castello said he doesn't know why they need a motion for this.

Mr. McTiernan said there were concerns about tax issues. He talked to a tax lawyer and a benefits lawyer. If there is anything wrong, the township is on the hook. To create a plan would be to create a tax liability. He asked the board to table until July.

Approve request from Glendale Hose Company No. 1 for annual allotment of $83,000 to be used for final payment of Rescue Pumper truck

Motion by Mr. Castello, second by Mrs. Meyers to approve request from Glendale Hose Company No. 1 for annual allotment of $83,000 to be used for final payment of Rescue Pumper truck.

Roll Call

Mrs. Caruso	Yes
Mrs. Meyers	Yes
Mr. Castello	Yes
Ms. Altman	Yes
Mr. Giudici	Yes
Mr. Stephens	Yes
Mr. Calabria	Yes
Mr. Wells	Yes
Mr. Jason	Yes

Motion carried (9-0).

Approval to prepare and accept RFP for actuary service, in accordance with Act 44

Mr. Castello said the Pension Board recommended going out with an RFP for Actuary Services. They just want to see what's out there. It has been ten years and they should receive some proposals.

Motion by Mr. Castello, second by Mr. Giudici to prepare and accept RFP for actuary service, in accordance with Act 44.

Roll Call

Mrs. Caruso	Yes
Mrs. Meyers	Yes
Mr. Castello	Yes
Ms. Altman	Yes
Mr. Giudici	Yes
Mr. Stephens	Yes
Mr. Calabria	Yes
Mr. Wells	Yes
Mr. Jason	Yes

Motion carried (9-0).

Discuss purchase of vehicle for Code Enforcement Office

Mr. Fischer said the old Crown Vic that Todd is driving will not pass inspection. The Blue Book value is $2,688 and the repairs are over $2,500. The white Crown Vic will not pass inspection. It is valued at $3,377 and the repairs would be $4,200. He is asking the Board to approve purchasing a vehicle for Code Enforcement for $20,000 to $22,000. He said the department revenues are up and well ahead of budgeted amounts and they are looking at revenue from Wendy's and Atlas Supply.

On June 30, they will be down to one vehicle and the Chief has no vehicle to give them. They can buy a Ford Escape or Fusion under the SHACOG contract. He said they can do okay in the winter time with two wheel drive.

Mr. Castello said he is already at 60 per cent for occupancy permits.

Mr. Fischer said Todd is out taking a head count for mechanical devices.

Mr. Wells asked how many police cars there are.

Chief Secreet said sixteen.

Mr. Wells said they have three patrol cars on a shift. They can use the older cars for details in Green Tree or Carnegie.

Chief Secreet said they are making money on it. They charge $70 per hour and they are used for court and training.

Motion by Mr. Castello, second by Mrs. Meyers to approve purchase of vehicle for Code Enforcement not to exceed $22,000 or lease not to exceed $400.00 per month.

Roll Call

Mrs. Caruso	Yes
Mrs. Meyers	Yes
Mr. Castello	Yes
Ms. Altman	Yes
Mr. Giudici	Yes
Mr. Stephens	Yes

Mr. Calabria	Yes
Mr. Wells	Yes
Mr. Jason	Yes

Motion carried (9-0).

Standing Committee Report – Public Safety

Mrs. Caruso thanked everyone in attendance at Public Safety Day.

Standing Committee Report – Public Works

Hire Alexander Veritas as employee under Public Works Summer Program for 35 hours a week at $8.25/hr. (non-resident)

Mr. Stephens said Alexander is not a Scott resident but his father owns property in Scott.

Motion by Mr. Stephens, second by Mr. Jason to hire Alexander Veritas as employee under Public Works Summer Program for 35 hours a week at $8.25/hr. (non-resident)

Roll Call

Mr. Giudici	Yes
Ms. Altman	Yes
Mr. Castello	Yes
Mrs. Meyers	Yes
Mrs. Caruso	Yes
Mr. Wells	Yes
Mr. Calabria	Yes
Mr. Stephens	Yes
Mr. Jason	Yes

Motion carried (9-0).

Standing Committee Report – Environmental Advisory Committee

Mr. Jason said ALCOSAN will be at the meeting July 6. The meeting is at 10:00 a.m.

Standing Committee Report – Parks and Recreation

Approve purchase of plaque for new pool

Mr. Castello said the plaque needs to be smaller. They should go to G&S Signs. He said they should table this until next month when they have a price.

Mrs. Fitzgerald said instead of bronze they could go with another product. There is a material they use at the park and she can get a price. It would be substantially less.

Hire Bailey Edeburn as Tennis Instructor in the amount of $900 for the season

Motion by Mrs. Meyers, second by Mr. Castello to hire Bailey Edeburn as Tennis Instructor in the amount of $900 for the season.

Roll Call

Mr. Wells	Yes
Mr. Calabria	Yes
Mr. Stephens	Yes
Mr. Giudici	Yes
Ms. Altman	Yes
Mr. Castello	Yes
Mrs. Meyers	Yes
Mrs. Caruso	Yes
Mr. Jason	Yes

Motion carried (9-0).

Library Liaison

Approve request from the Library regarding using the Lodge for a fundraiser on Friday, October 16, 2015 at no charge

Motion by Mr. Wells, second by Ms. Altman to approve request from the Library regarding using the Lodge for a fundraiser on Friday, October 16, 2015 at no charge.

Motion carried (9-0).

Standing Committee Report – SHACOG

Mr. Stephens said there is no meeting in July because of the golf outing.

Standing Committee Report - Public Relations

Approve Proclamation for Sts. Simon and Jude Parish on their 60th Anniversary and recognize Police Department for their assistance

Motion by Mr. Jason, second by Mr. Giudici to approve Proclamation for Sts. Simon and Jude Parish on their 60th Anniversary and recognize Police Department for their assistance.

Motion carried (9-0).

Standing Committee Report – Administration

Approve payment of Estimate No. 021 for Tri-Community Revitalization Project from CDM Smith in the amount of $1,210.04

Motion by Mrs. Meyers, second by Ms. Altman to approve payment of Estimate No. 021 for Tri-Community Revitalization Project from CDM Smith in the amount of $1,210.04.

Roll Call

Mrs. Caruso	Yes
Mrs. Meyers	Yes
Mr. Castello	Yes
Ms. Altman	Yes
Mr. Giudici	Yes
Mr. Stephens	Yes
Mr. Calabria	Yes
Mr. Wells	Yes
Mr. Jason	Yes

Motion carried (9-0).

Conferences and Workshops

Public Comments on Items Not Listed on Agenda

Tim Clark of Lindsay Road said he is an avid hockey player. He has done research on synthetic ice and tested it out at Octoberfest and feels it would not be a good investment. It wears down blades on hockey skates. It is a hard workout and would be much better to get a deck hockey rink.

Mrs. Meyers said it will be a better grade product than the ice he tried out. She said they are looking for grant money for a deck hockey rink. They had a lot of positive comments on the ice.

He said he researched it and every web-site raved about it. Then he talked to people who used it. It is not used for skating around the rink – it is used for exercise and it is tough to skate on it.

Mr. Clark said he is excited about having an ice rink, but does not think the investment and upkeep are worth it.

Mr. Wells said every child would have to wear a helmet.

Mr. Clark said if they are using a real puck, they would need full equipment. Skates would have to be sharpened after every use.

Pat Martin of Center Street said they discussed the sewer jetter at the meeting two weeks ago. She said there nothing in her notes for the budget meeting in 2013 about a jetter.

Commissioners' request

Mrs. Caruso – nothing.

Mrs. Meyers wished everyone a safe July 4th and enjoy the fireworks.

Mr. Castello – Nothing.

Ms. Altman – Nothing.

Mr. Giudici – Nothing.

Mr. Stephens – Nothing.

Mr. Calabria said he had a complaint about the Sillview basketball courts. There is a 2 inch crack at half court. There are leaves on the court where this person slipped but he checked that and didn't see anything wrong. It was just wet.

Mr. Wells asked where they are on the garage door.

Mr. Lubin said Westmorland will be out to repair it.

Mr. Jason said he had a call about a traffic problem at Providence Point.

Mr. Wells said the problem is usually at the stop sign, not a t Providence Point.

Mr. Giudici said he goes up there everyday and there is never a problem.

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Real Estate

Adjournment

Motion by Mr. Castello, second by Ms. Altman to adjourn the meeting.

Motion carried (9-0).

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Attest:

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