

*ROSS TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS
MEETING
DECEMBER 2, 2013*

The Regular Monthly Meeting of the Ross Township Supervisors was called to order by Chairman Beers with members Vice Chairman Kresge and Supervisor Drake present. Solicitor Dunn was also present. The meeting was held at the Chestnuthill Township Municipal Building. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag at 7:00 p.m..

The minutes of the November 4, 2013 meeting were approved as presented as was the Treasurer's report. Both on motion by Vice Chairman Kresge, seconded by Supervisor Drake and carried.

A motion was made by Supervisor Drake to adopt the proposed budget which would include a 1.5 real estate tax millage rate to provide the funds to fulfill the Fire Co. request for a donation towards the purchase of a new fire truck and to advertise this proposed budget scheduled for adoption on December 23, 2013 at which time a meeting is scheduled at the Ross Township Municipal Building at 4:00 p.m.. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Kresge and carried.

Chairman Beers noted that an ad was placed a second time to receive bids for a used 1991 dump truck. Solicitor Dunn explained the procedure stating that the statute provides for the advertisement to receive bids for a second time if no bids were received in response to the first advertisement. Since the second advertisement was run one bid was received by the time stated in the ad. It was from Frantz Landscaping in the amount of \$5,003.00. A motion was made by Vice Chairman Kresge to accept the bid as aforementioned. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Drake and carried.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC-Lori Colgan, a representative of the Brodhead Watershed Assn. was present to discuss an application for a Coldwater Heritage planning grant her organization is submitting for Lake Creek which runs through Ross Township and as such is seeking support from the Township in the form of a letter, advertisement for public participation through the Township website, etc. A motion was made by Supervisor Drake to move forward with this request. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Kresge and carried.

PLANS-An extension request was received for the Dollar General plan and a motion was made to approve the extension until the January 6, 2014 Supervisors Meeting.

The motion was made by Vice Chairman Kresge, seconded by Supervisor Drake and carried.

A plan was submitted for the Harry E. and Lois I. Tucker estate that shows a natural subdivision. This plan provides a paper trail for recording and approval by the Township Supervisors. Township Engineer Kresge reviewed the plan and suggested that the setback be reviewed by the Zoning Officer and that a copy of the current deed be provided. Supervisor Drake moved to conditionally approve the submission citing the two items above. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Kresge and carried.

OLD BUSINESS-Discussion took place concerning the UCC Board of Appeals. Solicitor Dunn noted he has reviewed the documents and they were reviewed by Zoning Board Solicitor Fareri. Chairman Beers noted that four townships are joining together for this purpose. The Townships are Jackson, Chestnuthill, Eldred and Ross. A motion was made by Supervisor Drake, seconded by Vice Chairman Kresge to adopt an Ordinance #72; a motion was made by Vice Chairman Kresge, seconded by Supervisor Drake to enter into an agreement for this purpose with the other Township's involved, the motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Kresge and both motions carried. A motion was made by Supervisor Drake to appoint David Corrado to this joint board along with members from the other municipalities. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Kresge and carried.

NEW BUSINESS-Chairman Beers moved to appoint Kirk, Summa and Co. LLC to perform the audit for 2013 (and to make the necessary advertisement). The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Kresge and carried.

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Kresge to appoint David Corrado to the Zoning Hearing Board for an additional three year term. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Drake and carried.

Some material was received relative to a CDL probable cause training program and Chairman Beers noted that he mentioned this to the COG group a couple of years ago, but , nothing was scheduled. He added that this class is a must for Supervisors to be able to site probable cause. It was noted the course is \$700.00 covering the first 20 people. The secretary was requested to contact PSATS for dates and to contact other municipalities for their participation. He added that if we don't get enough interest to cover the cost the Township will hold the class at its own expense. A motion was made by Supervisor Drake, seconded by Vice Chairman Kresge to move forward with this plan. The motion carried.

Chairman Beers announced that the meeting room at Ross Township Municipal Building is now completed and is ready for use. He made a motion to hold the January 6, 2014 meeting there. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Drake and carried. The secretary was requested to make the necessary advertisement.

ROAD FOREMAN REPORT-

CORRESPONDENCE-

RECEIPTS & EXPENSES-After a review of the bills to be paid a motion was made by Vice Chairman Kresge to pay the bills as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Drake and carried.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:31 p.m..

Respectfully submitted,

Doris Price, Secretary