

ROSS TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS MEETING
APRIL 6, 2020
Audio Conference

The Ross Township Supervisors Meeting was called to order by Chairwoman Tina Drake, at 7:00PM. Vice Chairman David Shay was present, Supervisor James Zahorokio and Solicitor Timothy McManus were also in attendance by Audio Conference.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present.

The minutes of the March 2, 2020 Supervisors meeting were approved as presented on a motion by Vice Chairman Shay, seconded by Supervisor Zahoroiko and carried.

A motion was made to approve the current Treasurers Report by Vice Chairman Shay, seconded by Supervisor Zahoroiko and carried.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC:

Nothing from the Public.

OLD BUSINESS:

Short Term Rentals: The Board of Supervisors and Solicitor Tim McManus discussed the short term rental draft proposed ordinance, prepared by Solicitor Tim McManus. The Board of Supervisors reviewed the documents. A motion was made to forward the draft proposed ordinance to the Monroe County Planning Commission and the Ross Township Planning Commission for their review and comments, by Vice Chairman Shay, seconded by Supervisor Zahoroiko and carried. Secretary/Treasurer Danielle Romano, was asked to forward the documents to the Monroe County Planning Commission and the Ross Township Planning Commission.

NEW BUSINESS:

Ratifying the Declaration of Disaster Emergency: The Board of Supervisors held an emergency meeting to ratify the Declaration of Disaster Emergency on Monday, March 30, 2020. A motion to ratify the Declaration of Disaster Emergency was made by Vice Chairman Shay, seconded by Supervisor Zahoroiko and carried.

Sale of Municipal Truck: The 1995 GMC municipal truck was advertised for sale. The listed price was \$8,500.00. An offer in the amount of \$8,500.00 was made. A motion to accept the bid received for \$8,500.00 was made by Vice Chairman Shay, seconded by Supervisor Zahoroiko and carried.

HEALTH CARE RENEWAL FOR TOWNSHIP EMPLOYEES:

Vice Chairman Shay discussed the health care insurance information. Proposals were received from two insurance companies. The broker/representative from Pennsylvania Chamber Insurance provided plan information for review. The start date will begin May 1, 2020. The plan offered to the township employees will be Geisinger Gold PPO 20/60/3500. Three full time employees will be enrolled in the plan; two Road Crew employees and the Secretary/Treasurer. A motion to accept the new plan as of May 1, 2020 was made by Vice Chairman Shay, seconded by Supervisor Zahoroiko and carried.

OPENING BIDS FOR THE 2020 ROAD PROJECT:

The following bid envelopes were opened and read by Chairwoman Drake and Vice Chairman Shay in response to the advertised 2020 Road Project:

Bracalente Construction: All roads superpave wearing course and superpave scratch course, prices ranging from: \$88.90 per ton - \$123.00 per ton for both courses and .55 cents per l.f. for line striping.

H&K Group, Inc: All roads superpave wearing course and superpave scratch course, prices ranging from \$80.00 per ton - \$126.00 per ton for both courses and from .30 - .60 cents per l.f. for line striping.

Hanson Aggregates PA, LLC: All roads superpave wearing course and superpave scratch course, \$77.75 per ton, with line striping at .50 cents per l.f.

Bruce George Paving & Excavating Inc: All roads superpave wearing course and superpave scratch course, \$105.26 per ton and .60 cents per l.f. for line striping.

Asphalt Maintenance Solutions, LLC: All roads double bituminous seal coat, \$2.71 per SY and .44 cents per l.f. for line striping.

Pocono Spray Patching: All roads double bituminous seal coat, \$2.78 per SY and .20 cents per l.f. for line striping.

After a review of the bids received it was decided to accept the bids from Hanson Aggregates PA, LLC and Pocono Spray Patching.

Hanson Aggregates PA LLC, Total Amount of Bid \$167,368.50 for the following roads: Turkey Hill Road, Lois Court, Aspen Lane, Hill Court, Laurel Drive, Franklin Avenue and Robins Court.

Pocono Spray Patching, Total Amount of Bid \$109,930.52 for the following roads: Blue Ridge Road, Meixsell Valley Road, Pennell Road and Anchorage Road.

The motion to accept both bids was made by Vice Chairman Shay, seconded by Supervisor Zahoroiko and carried.

The request was made by Chairwoman Drake to Road Foreman Ethan Brewer to contact the individuals from the companies with the results of the bids.

RECEIPTS & EXPENDITURES:

A request was made by Vice Chairman Shay after review of the Bureau Veritas Invoice, to receive a weekly report from the township zoning officer from Bureau Veritas. Chairwoman Drake stated that she will contact Maureen, Bureau Veritas Zoning Officer to request that a weekly report be sent to the Board of Supervisors.

After a review of the bills to be paid, a motion was made by Vice Chairman Shay to pay the bills. The motion was seconded Supervisor Zahoroiko and motion carried.

Brian Stankovich, Emergency Management Coordinator, was on the call. Brian discussed that he will continue to provide a weekly COVID-19 Situation Report by email in addition to news updates to the township. Brian expressed that he will be available for contact with any questions or concerns.

Vice Chairman Shay acknowledged the township office & maintenance department, remaining opened during this Declaration of Disaster and thanked the employees for working through this time. Vice Chairman Shay along with the Board of Supervisors also expressed their sincere appreciation on behalf of the township community.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:35PM. Motion to adjourn was made by Chairwoman Drake, seconded by Vice Chairman Shay and carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Danielle Romano
Secretary/Treasurer