

RICHLAND TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

April 4, 2018

PUBLIC MEETING

The Richland Township Board of Supervisors meeting held at the municipal building on Wednesday, April 4, 2018 was called to order at 8:00 PM. by Chairman, Raymond P. Kendrick. There were thirteen persons present in the audience. The Officials present were:

Raymond P. Kendrick, Chairman	Gerald Reichart, Assistant Township Manager
George P. Allen, Vice Chairman	Scott Shoup, Township Engineer
John A. Marshall, Supervisor	Sara Knapp, Sustainability & MS-4 Coordinator
Barton D. Miller, Supervisor	Tina L. Shaw, Recording Secretary
Donna L. Snyder, Supervisor	Donald Palmer, Township Solicitor
Dean E. Bastianini, Township Manager	

The Board of Supervisors adopted a proclamation declaring April 8-14, 2018 as National Library Week. Mr. Bastianini said that the Township values the library and is proud of the work it does.

The Board of Supervisors adopted a proclamation celebrating life-long Richland resident, Josephine Strazisar's 100th birthday. Mrs. Strazisar was present in the audience. Mr. Bastianini read the proclamation. Mrs. Strazisar said the key to her longevity was staying active.

Mr. Allen made a motion to approve the minutes from the Supervisors' Meeting of March 7, 2018. Ms. Snyder seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

Mr. Kendrick asked if anyone in the audience wished to speak. No one came forward.

Dr. Brian Miller, Superintendent of the Pine-Richland School District presented an overview of the District's 2015-2019 Strategic Plan Categories and stated that the Strategic Plan continues to drive the District's decision making process. Mr. Peter Lyon, President of the School Board reported on financial conditions and long term capital projects. He stated that the preliminary 2018 Real Estate tax millage is the same as 2017. They concluded by answering questions from the Board pertaining to student safety issues. The Supervisors and Mr. Bastianini thanked Dr. Miller and Mr. Lyons for attending and for maintaining open lines of communication with Richland Township's public officials. They complimented the School District for the positive impact it has on the community.

Ms. Snyder made a motion to approve the February 2018 Financial Statement which included balance sheets and revenue/expenditure reports for all funds, as well as, a list of the following checks issued in February, General PLGIT, Fund 01: #47490 - #4754, PLGIT Mastercard, #92044 - #92069, ACH Transfer Account, #1156 - #1164. Mr. Marshall seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

Mr. Marshall made a motion to approve the bills payable in the following amounts: General PLGIT, \$68,106.94; Sewer Fund, \$80.00 and Sewer Capital Reserve Fund, \$1,350.00. Mr. Allen seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

CORRESPONDENCE

Jeff M. Marcink, KLH Engineers, Inc.

Acknowledgment of a letter written by Mr. Bastianini expressing the Board of Supervisors' perspective on the AVJSA Act 537 Plan Update.

Ms. Snyder made a motion to cancel the April 18, 2018 and to instead tour the AVJSA Sewerage Facility on that night. Mr. Allen seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Reconsideration of a resolution approving the RTMAAC's sale of property

Mr. Miller made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 3 of 2018 approving the sale of property by the Richland Township Municipal Authority of Allegheny County. Ms. Snyder seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

NEW BUSINESS

Consideration of a resolution approving Hampton Township's Act 537 Plan

Ms. Snyder made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 4 of 2018 approving Hampton Township's Act 537 Sewage Facilities Plan Update. Mr. Marshall seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

Consideration of the bids received for the CFA Orphaned and Abandoned Gas Well Plugging Project; Contract 18-01

The Board reviewed a tabulation sheet showing the two bids received for the gas well plugging project. They also reviewed a letter from Mr. Don Palmer, Esquire which provided guidance regarding the award of the bid. Based on Mr. Palmer's advice Ms. Snyder made a motion to 1) reject the bid of Keystone Wireline, Inc., due to the fact that conditions were added capping the bid price to ten days of work at each well, and 2) waiving a mistake in the bid submitted by Nick's Well Plugging, which inadvertently reversed the prices for Well #1 and Well #2, and to 3) award the contract for plugging both wells to Nick's Well Plugging for the lump sum amount of \$187,000. Mr. Allen seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

Community Day contracts

Mr. Allen made a motion authorizing the Chairman to execute the following Community Day contracts subject to approval by the Township Solicitor. Mr. Marshall seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

ELF Entertainment; 5 Inflatable Rides	\$5,550.00	Living Treasures; Petting Zoo	\$843.80
Annie's Showmobiles; Stage, Sound & DJ	\$2,025.00	Jukebox Band; Feature Act	\$875.00
Fun Services Festival; 55 Booths @ \$58	\$3,190.00	Approved Toilet Rentals	\$750.00
Giggles the Clown; Clown	\$ 400.00	PA Amusement; ATM Machine	\$125.00
Venture Outdoor; Rock Wall	\$1,200.00	B&J Golf Carts	\$610.00

TNT Fireworks request to conduct retail sales

Ms. Snyder made a motion approving TNT Fireworks' request to conduct temporary sales of legal fireworks at the Gibsonia Walmart, from June 25th through July 4, 2018. The approval is contingent upon compliance with the conditions stated in the March 26, 2018 letter written by Mr. Tim Creamer. Mr. Miller seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

Resolution, records retention schedule

Mr. Allen made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 5 of 2018 authorizing the disposal of municipal records in accordance with the PA Municipal Records retention schedule. Mr. Marshall seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

Sara Knapp: MS-4 Stormwater Management Report

Ms. Knapp reported on various MS-4 activities including: 1) MS-4 Permit renewal; 2) detention pond inspections; 3) a grant application to the Allegheny County Conservation District to remove sediment and restore streambanks at the Community Center bridge; 4) submission of a \$220,000 CFA grant application for stream bank restoration work on Deer Creek; 5) preparations for the adoption of a new stormwater management ordinance and 6) plans for the 2nd annual "Creek Cleanup" on Saturday, April 28th.

Ms. Snyder made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 6 of 2018 authorizing the submission of a \$220,000 Watershed Restoration and Protection Grant from the Commonwealth Funding Authority. Mr. Allen seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

Scott Shoup

Mr. Shoup reported on the status of the manhole inspection program and final plans and easement drawings for the Turner Road/Pastureview Drive and E. Ewalt & Peach Drive sanitary sewer projects.

Jerry Reichart

Mr. Reichart presented the Spring 2018 Public Works Department Report. He led the Supervisors in a discussion of this winter's snow and ice control operations and explained the tasks he and his co-workers were able to accomplish when they were not busy with snow removal duties. He concluded by describing the projects he has scheduled for the upcoming construction season.

MANAGER'S REPORT

Mr. Bastianini reported on a list of projects which were on the Township's "to do list" for the first quarter of 2018. Most of the projects have been accomplished. He also read a list of projects which will be on the agenda for the second quarter of the year.

He also reported on the following:

- Penn E&R, on behalf of the developers of the former Pittsburgh Cut Flower site, has submitted a Public Involvement Plan which provides information and explains why and how sediments from the two man-made lakes on the property will be remediated. Information about soil conditions and the remediation plan will be available for public inspection at the municipal building. Representatives from Penn E&R will also make presentations at future Board of Supervisors meetings.
- The Township's year of free access to the Savvy Citizen program ends on April 30, 2018. Currently there are 1,990 subscribers. Of these 653 are identified at Richland residents. The monthly rate to continue to participate is \$199.00. Richland is eligible for a four month discount (two months for paying annually and two months for helping to recruit another municipality) which reduces the cost to \$1,592. Mr. Kendrick suggested that the supervisors conditioned their authorization upon Savvy holding its price for a two-year period.

Ms. Snyder made a motion authorizing the Township to participate in the Savvy program for the annual fee of \$1,592.00; provided the company agrees to hold the price for two years. Mr. Miller seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

- Mr. Bastianini discussed the difficulty of finding a good and reliable company to clean the municipal building and the employee area within the public works garage. At the conclusion of the discussion, Mr. Miller made a motion to hire Dan Saunders as a part time custodian at the rate of \$27.78 per hour for a maximum of 5.5 hours a week. Ms. Snyder seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

Mr. Bastianini requested an executive session to discuss a personnel matter.

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

Mr. Charles Brethauer, 420 Ridge Road thanked the Supervisors and the staff for their work on the abandoned gas well plugging project.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 10:10 p.m. The Supervisors went into executive session.

Respectfully submitted,

Tina L. Shaw
Recording Secretary

