

RICHLAND TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

April 5, 2017

PUBLIC MEETING

The Richland Township Board of Supervisors meeting held at the municipal building on Wednesday, March 6, 2016 was called to order at 8:00 PM. by Chairman, Raymond P. Kendrick. There were five persons present in the audience. The Officials present were:

Raymond P. Kendrick, Chairman
George P. Allen, Vice Chairman
John A. Marshall, Supervisor
Barton D. Miller, Supervisor
Donna L. Snyder, Supervisor

Dean E Bastianini, Township Manager
Gerald Reichart, Assistant Township Manager
Sara Knapp, Sustainability & MS-4 Coordinator
Tina L. Shaw, Recording Secretary

Mr. Allen made a motion to approve the minutes from the Supervisors March 15, 2017 meeting. Ms. Snyder seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

Mr. Kendrick asked if anyone in the audience wished to speak.

Dr. Brian Miller, Superintendent of the Pine Richland School District presented an overview of the District's 2016-2017 school year highlights and explained data from the District's five strategic planning categories. Dr. Jeffrey Banyas, President of the School Board reported on financial conditions, long term capital projects and the projected 2017-2018 operating budget, which contain an approximate 2% real estate millage increase. They concluded by answering questions from the Board pertaining to pensions, staffing and school bus transportation. Mr. Kendrick thanked Dr. Miller and Dr. Banyas for attending the meeting and maintaining open lines of communication with Richland Township's public officials.

Mr. Allen made a motion to approve the bills payable in the following amounts: General PLGIT, \$63,012.88; Sewer Fund, 2,829.76, Fire Protection Fund, \$19.69 and General Capital Reserve Fund, \$24,294. Ms. Snyder seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

CORRESPONDENCE

Todd M. Kravits, P.E.
District Traffic Engineer

A letter indicating that a study at the Gibsonia, Hardt and Lakeside Drive intersection confirmed that traffic volumes are sufficient to warrant the installation of a traffic signal.

Allegheny County Association of Township Officials

An invitation to attend the County Convention on May 4, 2017 at the Shannopin Country Club.

Mr. Allen made a motion authorizing the Supervisors to attend with the Township meeting the expense. Mr. Marshall seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

NEW BUSINESS

Ms. Snyder made a motion authorizing Trans Associates to provide design services for a traffic signal at the S.R. 910 (Gibsonia Road)/Hardt Road/Lakeside Drive intersection for a fee of \$34,000.00. Mr. Marshall seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

Mr. Kendrick acknowledged Mr. Rowan Poole, 5412 Hardt Road for requesting that the Supervisors determine if a traffic signal was warranted at this location. Mr. Kendrick said this was an excellent example of how government officials can work quickly to put into action a resident's request regarding a safety issue. He thanked Mr. Poole for bringing the matter to the Board's attention. Mr. Poole thanked the Supervisors for their proactive response.

Mr. Marshall made a motion approving Keystone Novelties, LLC's request to conduct temporary sales of legal fireworks at the Kings Restaurant, Northtowne Square from June 28th through July 5, 2017. The approval is contingent upon compliance with the conditions stated in the January 15, 2017 letter written by Mr. Chris Cook, Field Operations Manager. Ms. Snyder seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

Mr. Allen made a motion approving Resolution No. 2 of 2017 authorizing the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors to execute a recreational grant application for submission to the PA DCNR, and pledging that the Township will match the grant amount up to \$812,250. Ms. Snyder seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

Mr. Allen made a motion approving Resolution No. 3 of 2017 authorizing the Allegheny Valley Joint Sewer Authority to prepare an Act 537 Sewerage Facilities Plan update on behalf of Richland conditioned upon the Township having authority to approve the contents of the plan. Mr. Marshall seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

Mr. Bastianini read an email from Mr. Don Palmer, in which he expressed his legal perspective on a Letter of Understanding between Richland Township and MSA regarding an application titled Savvy Citizen. Savvy Citizen, is an alert/notification system which enables residents to receive email, text message, or push notifications about events in Richland Township. The conclusion of the email was that the terms were appropriate.

Mr. Marshall made a motion authorizing the Chairman to sign a Letter of Understanding with MSA, establishing the terms and conditions for the Township's participation in the Savvy Citizen Program. Ms. Snyder seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

Mr. Miller made a motion to appoint Ms. Sara Knapp as a full-time employee and to terminate her one year probationary period. Ms. Snyder seconded the motion and it was approved by all. The Supervisors and Manager complimented Ms. Knapp on the quality of her work during her probationary period.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Tina L Shaw, Recording Secretary

