

The regular meeting of the Adams Township Board of Supervisors was held on May 9, 2016 at 7:30 p.m. at the Adams Township Municipal Building, 690 Valencia Road, Adams Township, Mars, PA.

Present at the meeting were Supervisors Donald C. Aiken, Linda E. Lees, Edward L. Vogel, Thomas L. Franceschina and Russell R. Ford; Secretary Janet Lubbert, Solicitor Michael Gallagher, Chief Shawn Anglum and Code Enforcement Officer Gary Peaco.

Chairman Aiken called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Ryan Swope

Mr. Swope lives at 149 Hammond Road and said he had attended the last meeting. He listed his concerns regarding the invoices for mowing at the park and how they are being verified and said he feels the issue needs to be addressed. He said he also was concerned about Mr. Ford's comments regarding a township manager and that he should have been more respectful of Mr. Shemela when he asked questions about the mowing. He asked if all of the Supervisors agreed with Mr. Ford and if the township would continue to accept that kind of invoicing for the mowing. Mr. Ford said the Supervisors had reviewed the invoices for 2015. He said the invoices were not double paid and the invoices are for mowing at two different places. He added that the Board is comfortable with the procedure and John Hock and Mr. Aiken will verify the work that is done. Mr. Ford clarified his comments from the last meeting that he was saying they were looking for a problem that doesn't exist. Mr. Ford read a portion of a memo from the Solicitor that mowing being done for the township is not covered under the Home Improvement Consumer Protection Act and no registration is needed. He added the Board took the questions seriously and it cost money to have this reviewed. Mr. Franceschina said they have looked at the invoices and verified they are correct and Mr. Gallagher has reviewed the situation. He added that Mr. Baumgartel has insurance.

Ron Shemela

Mr. Shemela asked if the Board would agree that the invoices should be more specific. Mr. Franceschina read and explained some of the invoices. Mr. Shemela said he doesn't feel it's logical that there was mowing for one day of 13.5 hours and asked that it be looked into. Mr. Ford said the questions have been looked into, the Board has discussed it and they don't feel any changes are needed at this time. He added that he did not mean to offend Mr. Shemela with his comments at the last meeting. Mr. Aiken noted that Mr. Baumgartel had not charged for 18.5 hours of work in 2015. Mr. Shemela said he appreciates the Board looking at the issue but still believes there needs to be more detail.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On a motion by Linda E. Lees and seconded by Edward L. Vogel, the minutes of the hearing of April 25, 2016 and the meeting of April 25, 2016 were approved. All were in favor.

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT

On a motion by Edward L. Vogel and seconded by Russell R. Ford, the Public Works Department Report for April was approved. All were in favor.

CODE ENFORCEMENT REPORT

On a motion by Thomas L. Franceschina and seconded by Russell R. Ford, the Code Enforcement Report for April was approved. All were in favor.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

On a motion by Linda E. Lees and seconded by Thomas L. Franceschina, the Engineer's Report for April was approved. All were in favor.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

The Solicitor reported he had attended meetings for the Supervisors and the Planning Commission and worked on litigation and other matters as directed by the Supervisors. On a motion by Thomas L. Franceschina and seconded by Russell R. Ford, the Solicitor's Report for April was approved. All were in favor.

ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER'S REPORT

On a motion by Linda E. Lees and seconded by Edward L. Vogel, the Animal Control Officer's Report for April was approved. All were in favor.

POLICE REPORT

On a motion by Linda E. Lees and seconded by Edward L. Vogel, the Police Chief's Report for April was approved. All were in favor.

PARK AND RECREATION REPORT

No one was present for the Park and Recreation Report.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Mr. Peaco reported he did not have the figures from Bill Hayes. He also reported they had met with Kim Hileman from Cohen & Grigsby regarding grants for the fire station. They should hear about the grant for the traffic signal within the next two weeks, and there could still be a grant for the building. The application for that grant is due the end of July. On a motion by Russell R. Ford and seconded by Edward L. Vogel, the Fire Department Report was approved. All were in favor.

TREASURER'S REPORT**Report and Payment of Invoices**

On a motion by Linda E. Lees and seconded by Edward L. Vogel, the Treasurer's Report for April was approved, and approval was given to pay bills totaling \$197,923.27. All were in favor.

Transfers of Funds

On a motion by Edward L. Vogel and seconded by Russell R. Ford, the following transfers were approved. All were in favor.

- \$50,000.00 from General Fund Money Market to General Fund Checking
- \$23,500.00 from Park Fund Money Market to Park Fund Checking
- \$14,700.00 from Capital Reserve Money Market to Capital Reserve Checking

OLD BUSINESS**Bids for Paving**

The secretary opened and read the bids for paving as follows:

<u>Company</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Shields Asphalt Paving	\$356,929.50
Wiest Asphalt Paving & Products, Inc.	\$382,587.00

On a motion by Edward L. Vogel and seconded by Russell R. Ford, the bid for paving was awarded to Shields Asphalt Paving for \$356,929.50 contingent on the paperwork being in order. All were in favor.

Driveways for Tucci Plan

Mr. Peaco was asked to tell the Tuccis to come to the next meeting. On a motion by Thomas L. Franceschina and seconded by Russell R. Ford, action on the Tucci Plan was tabled. All were in favor.

NEW BUSINESS**Bond Release - 525 Beaver Street Extension**

On a motion by Thomas L. Franceschina and seconded by Linda E. Lees, a bond release in the amount of \$25,210.00 for 525 Beaver Street Extension was approved as recommended by the township engineer. All were in favor.

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Request for Use of Meeting Room

On a motion by Linda E. Lees and seconded by Russell R. Ford, the request for use of the meeting room on the first Monday of the month by the Girl Scouts starting in October was approved. All were in favor.

War Memorial Ceremony

Mr. Ford noted the ceremony and dedication of the statue at the war memorial will be on May 22 at 2:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Russell R. Ford and seconded by Thomas L. Franceschina, the meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m. All were in favor.



Janet L. Lubbert, Secretary