

The regular meeting of the Adams Township Board of Supervisors was held on November 9, 2015, 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 William Westerman and Code Enforcement Officer Gary Peaco.

Chairman Aiken called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Jeff McCormick

Jeff McCormick lives at 112 Woodland Springs Lane and had comments and questions about the proposed ordinance for firing ranges. Mr. Gallagher said the ordinance has gone to the Planning Commission and will be reviewed by the Supervisors and advertised if they are okay with it. Mr. McCormick believes that with the proposed distance there won't be any place in the township to build a firing range and said there is no consideration for topography. Mr. Franceschina said there would be no effect on any existing firing range which would have been built before houses went in. New ranges going in would affect existing homes. Mr. McCormick also believes the ordinance would eliminate archery and doesn't think that should be grouped in and believes the purpose of the ordinance is to eliminate firing ranges. Mr. Aiken said he has received a lot of comments from people concerned about rifles and hunting in the township.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On a motion by Linda E. Lees and seconded by Edward L. Vogel, the minutes of the meeting of October 26, 2015 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 October was approved. All were in favor.

CODE ENFORCEMENT REPORT

On a motion by Thomas L. Franceschina and seconded by Linda E. Lees, the Code Enforcement Report for October was approved. All were in favor.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

On a motion by Edward L. Vogel and seconded by Russell R. Ford, the Engineer's Report for October was approved. All were in favor.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

The Solicitor reported he had attended meetings for the Supervisors and Planning Commission, worked on projects and reviewed contracts as directed and undertook litigation matters as needed. On a motion by Linda E. Lees and seconded by Edward L. Vogel, the Solicitor's Report for October was approved. All were in favor.

ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER'S REPORT

On a motion by Thomas L. Franceschina and seconded by Russell R. Ford, the Animal Control Officer's Report for October 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 October was approved. All were in favor.

PARK AND RECREATION REPORT

There was no Park and Recreation Report.

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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 October was approved, and approval was given to pay bills totaling \$354,734.57. 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.

- \$30,400.00 from Capital Reserve Money Market to Capital Reserve Checking
- \$410,000.00 from General Fund Money Market to General Fund Checking
- \$500,000.00 from General Fund Money Market to Capital Reserve Money Market
- \$1,000.00 from Recreation Fee Money Market to Park Fund Checking

OLD BUSINESS**Agreement with Mars Area School District for Police Officer in School**

On a motion by Linda E. Lees and seconded by Russell R. Ford, Exhibit 1 of the agreement with the school for daily police services for the 2015-2016 was approved. All were in favor.

NEW BUSINESS**Agreement with Mars National Bank**

Mr. Aiken said that an agreement had been reached with Mars National Bank for them to cash paychecks for township employees since the township has accounts there. On a motion by Thomas L. Franceschina and seconded by Edward L. Vogel, the agreement was approved. All were in favor.

Agreement with Mars Area School District for Police Services for Traffic

On a motion by Linda E. Lees and seconded by Russell R. Ford, approval was given for the secretary to send an agreement to the school district to increase the cost of daily services as of the first of next year to \$198 per day. All were in favor.

Advertisement for Use of CPA for Audit

On a motion by Edward L. Vogel and seconded by Russell R. Ford, approval was given for the Solicitor to advertise for the township to use a CPA for the 2015 audit. All were in favor.

Nancy Guibert

Mr. Aiken said that Nancy Guibert has been a member of the Park and Recreation Board for many years but has moved to another township. On a motion by Russell R. Ford and seconded by Edward L. Vogel, the secretary was instructed to send a letter to Mrs. Guibert and thank her for her service. All were in favor.

Quality Gardens

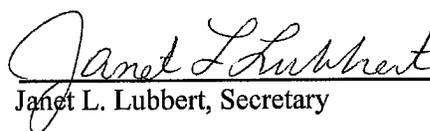
On a motion by Linda E. Lees and seconded by Edward L. Vogel, the quotes for landscaping and trees at the schoolhouse in the park was approved for a total cost of \$8,991. All were in favor.

Marge Nicklas

Mr. Aiken said that Marge Nicklas who had worked for the township for a number of years has retired. On a motion by Thomas L. Franceschina and seconded by Edward L. Vogel, the secretary was instructed to send her a letter from the Supervisors to thank her for her service. All were in favor.

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