

LAWRENCE PARK TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING

6:00 p.m.

June 12, 2019

4230 Iroquois Avenue

In Attendance: Commissioner J. Cabaday, Commissioner T. Benovic, Commissioner F. Mussett, Commissioner E. Gerardine, Chief J. Morell, Engineer B. Petit, Solicitor A. Martinucci, Secretary C. Cunningham

Visitors signed in to speak: None

Visitors: Charles Curtis, Mary Medwid, Dale Durst, Pete Ogden

President J. Cabaday called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was performed.

Treasurer Report: Mrs. Joyce Spitznogle reported that the interest earned in the new bank account far exceeds what was previously earned with the previous bank.

Engineers Report: - 2018 CDBG Grant Manhole and Pipe Relining Project-A change order for use of a Parson's Environmental concrete project to stabilize the last three (3) manholes of the project before final lining and a time extension to June 28th were processed. The concrete stabilization has been completed. The prime contractor, Advanced Rehabilitation Technology, is scheduled to do final lining of those 3 manholes on June 12th-13th, which would complete the project.

-Lakeside Drive Storm Sewer – The contractor, Standard Pipe Services LLC, completed pipe joint grouting and pipe lining of the concrete and HDPE pipe extension on May 21, 2019. A Change Order has been processed and approved for the addition of riprap at the pipe outfall. The riprap was placed and yard restoration was completed on May 22, 2019. A final Change Order for final item quantities will be prepared and a final Pay Application from the contractor will be processed for project closeout.

-Soudan Lift Station Replacement: The design for the Soudan lift station is continuing along with the coordination with the USDA for the Township's Loan Application. (USDA lowered the rate for the next quarter from 4.25% to 3.5%.)

-Salt Storage Building: Quotes were received for fencing and contract was approved with Konzel Construction at the May 22, 2019 Township Commissioner's meeting. The Contract was signed by the Township on June 4, 2019 and forwarded to Konzel Construction. Urban is coordinating with the contractor regarding a construction schedule and will provide inspection services; a meeting is scheduled for June 18, 2019.

-Iroquois School District Baseball Field and Tennis Court Properties Land Swap; Urban will set up an office and/or field meeting with Township and School District representatives in June to discuss the project.

-Lake Cliff Lift Station-Paving of Former Lift Station Area; The project's Bid Opening was held on May 24, 2019 at 12:00 noon. Three (3) bids were received with the low bid submitted by Cross Paving in an amount of \$33,258.38. Bids were reviewed by Urban and a Bid Recap and Recommendation for Award letter was sent to the Township on May 29, 2019 for an anticipated award at the June 12th Township Commissioner's Meeting. With an award tonight, we would anticipate a start in late July once the contract has been signed.

Solicitor's Report: - Attorney Martinucci reported that there is ongoing coordination for the USDA loan. Proposals have been submitted and revisions will be made.

-Contracts have been drawn up for cement work to be done in the Township

-A court date had been set for a code enforcement issue but had to be moved out to next month due to the Code Enforcement officer's availability. The issues of amending some of the codes will need to be looked at in the future. Terms of process and procedural aspects will need to be addressed. This particular issue presented some difficulty in processing due to the code violation nature in itself.

-We have received one notice of an insurance claim of a downed tree. This has been referred to the insurance carrier.

-Questions were raised concerning the purchase of the fire damaged properties. There has been interest by a party that would possibly like to purchase the property. Martinucci said that the individual may contact him and he will give them the appropriate information regarding that.

Police Report: Chief Morell reported there were 825 calls in the last month. He also noted the department successfully prosecuted a delivery resulting in death with that being the 3rd one in Erie County to do so and also 12 out of 13 charges. This was a huge achievement for the police department in trying to control the drug dealers in our community.

Chief Morell also agreed that several of the Ordinances should be looked at.

Commissioner E. Gerardine made a motion to approve all reports as they are presented. Commissioner F. Mussett seconded the motion and the motion was carried.

Public Comment:**Bills:**

Commissioner F. Mussett made a motion to pay bills as presented, before a second was made Commissioner Cabaday said the accountant would like guidance as to bill paying when a due payment falls between meetings which would result in late fees. Attorney Martinucci said he was not comfortable with the bills being paid without Board approval and to see if it is possible for payment dates to be changed. Commissioner T. Benovic seconded the motion and the motion was carried.

Minutes:

Commissioner T. Benovic made a motion to approve the BOC Minutes for 5/22/19 and the Lake Cliff Pavement Construction Project 5/24/19. Commissioner F. Mussett seconded the motion and the motion was carried.

Resolutions:

-President Cabaday read aloud Resolution 2019-14 – Approval of PennDot Payment for Bridge Project and moved to approve with the following roll call VOTE taken by Secretary C. Cunningham; Commissioner T. Benovic; “aye”, Commissioner J. Cabaday; “aye”; Commissioner E. Gerardine; “aye”; Commissioner F. Mussett;” aye”. With all in favor, Resolution 2019-14 was duly approved.

Old Business: Commissioner Benovic would like to thank the Board on behalf of the Iroquois Foundation Food Fest; it was a success. Thank you to the Lawrence Park Police department for their presence and providing safety during the event.

New Business:

Commissioner T. Benovic motioned to award the Lake Cliff Paving project to Cross Paving LLC, Commissioner E. Gerardine seconded; the motion carried.

Commissioner J. Cabaday opened bid packets for the 2019 Streets Paving Project with the bids being as follows: Mayer Brothers - \$501,453.00., Lindy Paving - \$449,840.31., and Joseph McCormick Construction - \$387,229.81. With Joseph McCormick Construction being the lowest bidder Commissioner E. Gerardine motioned to award the contract to McCormick, Commissioner F. Mussett seconded; the motion carried.

Commissioner J. Cabaday read a request from the Erie County Council of Governments regarding a shared payment of \$500 for a Census outreach coordinator. Commissioner E. Gerardine motioned to accept the request, Commissioner T. Benovic seconded; the motion carried.

Commissioner T. Benovic reported that the PA Sea Grant contacted the Township to see if we were interested in planting trees along the East side of Water Street. She said that many of those trees were removed due to safety issues. She will set up an appointment with Dave Skellie to discuss this further.

Commissioner E. Gerardine motioned to hire Daniel LaFuria for the Township Maintenance Position with a 90-day probationary period, Commissioner F. Mussett seconded; the motion carried.

Commissioner T. Benovic reported that Safety Town is currently underway at the Elementary school this week with approximately 35 five-year olds in attendance. Thanks to the Lions Club, LPPD, the Township, and the School District with it being a joint effort making it a great program. The parks are now open and staffed Monday – Friday from 10 am until 4 pm., the first street dance is Friday, June 14, 2019 and the first concert is Thursday night June 20, 2019.

Commissioner E. Gerardine motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:32 p.m. Commissioner T. Benovic seconded; motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted:

Cindy Jo Cunningham
Board of Commissioner’s Secretary