

LAWRENCE PARK TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING
March 8, 2023

6:00 p.m.

4230 Iroquois Avenue

In Attendance: Commissioner J. Golden, Commissioner T. Benovic, Commissioner B. Rodemaker, Commissioner S. Trojak, Solicitor A. Schmidt, Engineer A. Holland, Secretary C. Cunningham, Chief J. Morell, Absent-Commissioner J. Moffett

~Commissioner Golden called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was performed~

REPORTS:

Engineers Report:

Soudan Lift Station – Final plans for WQM Permit to PA DEP by end of the next week. Permit form signatures and fee check will be coordinated with Dave Harrington and Commissioner Rodemaker, and Secretary Cindy Cunningham.

Cunningham Lift Station – Grinder DCED Grant Application Coordination – DCED Grant Application Coordination is now under review by the DCED.

Chapter 94 update for Erie Sewer Authority/EWWTWP – Received flow data from Rob Rodemoyer. Follow up with flow data submittal for the Chapter 94 Report.

~Penndot has contracted with Urban to do a feasibility study regarding transit multimodal trails and 2 pedestrian bridges to better connect Lawrence Park and Wesleyville along the Water Street corridor. They are proposing using transit funds tying in busing, EMT routes, pedestrians and bicycles. Once scope of work is turned in there will be further updates concerning this.~

Solicitors Report:

- We have finalized discussions with Erie County regarding the lease of a portion of the Lawrence Park Municipal Building for a new MDJ office. We are awaiting final approval of the lease by Erie County.
- We are working on draft ordinances regarding rental property registration and inspection, short-term rentals, and vacant properties. We have provided the Commissioners with a draft short-term rental ordinance for review and comment.
- We have addressed various personnel issues.

~Commissioner Benovic made a motion to approve all reports as presented. Commissioner Trojak seconded the motion; the motion carried~

Visitors: Charles Curtis, Dale Durst, Rick Garman, Al Renshaw, Char Renshaw, Dale Williams, Kathleen Spinazzola

Signed in to speak: Bud Hughes, Jim VanDyne

~ Bud Hughes requested information regarding the kitchen that was mentioned during the Commissioners work session. He would like to know where the kitchen is located, the line item and budget that the money came from. Second, he requested information from Ordinance 2021-02 to include where the money was spent and what bids were received for the work project regarding the loan that was taken out. Third, he would like to know the year, make and model of all Township vehicles. Last, he would like the last two retirement purchase and sale of Lawrence Park Township Police Service pistols as well as the unit price and the Resolutions regarding these. Hughes presented the four Right to Know requests to the Township Secretary.~

~Jim VanDyne spoke to the Board regarding the Memorial Service since it has been suspended with the Covid pandemic. He asked a variety of questions regarding the service as well as asking Commissioner Joe Golden to be the Master of Ceremonies, to which Commissioner Golden accepted. VanDyne presented a list of items to be considered for the service.~

Bills:

- Commissioner Benovic made a motion to pay bills as presented, Commissioner Trojak seconded the motion; the motion carried.

Minutes:

- Commissioner Benovic made a motion to approve BOC Minutes from February 8, 2023, Commissioner Rodemaker seconded the motion; the motion carried.

Resolution:

- Commissioner Golden read aloud Resolution 2023-04 County Aid and moved approve with the following roll call VOTE taken by Secretary C. Cunningham; Commissioner Rodemaker; “aye”; Commissioner Benovic; “aye”; Commissioner Golden; “aye”; Commissioner Trojak; “aye”; with all in favor, Resolution 2023-04 was duly approved.
- Commissioner Golden read aloud Resolution 2023-06 the enactment of Ordinance 2023-02 (Dissolvement of Shade Tree Commission) and moved approve with the following roll call VOTE taken by Secretary C. Cunningham; Commissioner Rodemaker; “aye”; Commissioner Benovic; “aye”; Commissioner Golden; “aye”; Commissioner Trojak; “aye”; with all in favor, Resolution 2023-06 was duly approved.

Old Business: N/A**New Business:**

~Commissioner Rodemaker motioned to advertise for part-time mowing positions, Commissioner Trojak seconded; the motion carried.~

~Commissioner Benovic motioned to surplus and advertise the large equipment Quality trailer; Commissioner Rodemaker seconded; the motion carried.~

~Commissioner Trojak motioned to approve the land sub-divide for the L.P. Golf Course/Wabtec picnic grove purchase; Commissioner Rodemaker seconded; the motion carried.~

~Commissioner Benovic motioned to hire Holly Hess conditionally in reference to background and testing, at a rate of \$24.20 per hour; Commissioner Trojak seconded; the motion carried.~

~Commissioner Trojak motioned to advertise for a Civil Service test in 2023; Commissioner Benovic seconded; the motion carried.~

~Commissioner Benovic stated that all activities for the summer will be listed on the website and will be updated as things may change.~

~Commissioner Trojak motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:16 pm, Commissioner Benovic seconded; the motion carried.
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Respectfully Submitted:

Cindy Jo Cunningham
Board of Commissioner’s Secretary