

The Harmony Township Board of Commissioners

Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, February 21, 2018, 5:00 PM

The meeting was called to order at 5:20 P.M. following the Work Session.

Pledge of Allegiance

ROLL CALL:

Board Members Present:

Glenn Angus, Chairman
Paul Kokoski, Vice Chairman
Donald Gunther
Bradley Payne
John Cermak

Other Township Representatives Present:

Rick Start, Amato, Start and Associates, P.C.
Chris Suehr, NIRA Consulting Engineers, Inc.
Bob Vilella, acting Township Manager
Paula Winne, Tax Collector/Treasurer
Hedy Marinaccio, Administrative Assistant
Frank Presto, Road Foreman
Jim Ivancik, Code Enforcement Officer
Robert Sivewright, Chief of Police

Residents in Attendance:

Robert and Rosemary Shrum
Jack Bedalota
Fabiola Gergerich
Denise Campbell
Steve Weisbrad

- I. Mr. Gunther made a motion to approve the January 17th and February 7th, 2018 Meeting Minutes. Mr. Kokoski seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

- II. Approval of the following reports:
 - 1. Code Enforcement Department Report
 - 2. Road Department Report
 - 3. Police Department Report
 - 4. Sewage Department ReportMr. Payne made a motion to approve the above listed reports. Mr. Kokoski seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

- III. Mr. Cermak made a motion to approve the List of Accounts Payable from the General Fund, the Sewer Fund, the Police Pension Fund, and the Liquid Fuels Fund as of Wednesday, February 21, 2018. Mr. Gunther seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

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- IV. Mr. Kokoski made a motion to approve the Tax Collector/Treasurer's Report. Mr. Payne seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.
- V. Public Comment on Agenda Items
- VI. New Business:
1. Mr. Cermak made a motion to accept the resignation of Justin Montani as a part time police officer effective February 4th, 2018. Mr. Gunther seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.
 2. Mr. Payne made a motion to adopt the Municipal Manager Ordinance as advertised in the Beaver County Times on January 29th, 2018. Mr. Kokoski seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.
 3. Mr. Cermak made a motion to appoint Robert Villella as the Municipal Manager pursuant to the Municipal Manager Ordinance and to authorize the acceptance of the Agreement with Robert Villella and the Harmony Township Commissioners for said position. Mr. Gunther seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.
 4. Mr. Kokoski made a motion to authorize the Solicitor to prepare an Ordinance or other materials to establish a Property Review Board. Further, the Township will advertise in the Beaver County Times to accept applications from interested and qualified parties to serve on this Board. Mr. Cermak seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.
 5. Mr. Payne made a motion to advertise in *The Times* the Amendment to the Harmony Township Zoning Ordinance. Mr. Kokoski seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.
 6. Mr. Cermak made a motion to authorize the solicitor to investigate the authority of the Township Manager and the Municipal Authority to impose a fee in the amount of \$15.00 or as otherwise to be determined to cover Township costs upon those residents who must be notified of the Township intention to terminate water service for their delinquent sewage fees. Mr. Payne seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.
 7. Mr. Gunther made a motion to modify rates for sewage so they are not less than what the Fund is being assessed for processing services. Township charges \$121.00 but is being charged a processing fee that is consistently greater than that amount. Mr. Kokoski seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.
 8. Mr. Cermak made a motion to appoint Paula Winne as Interim Delinquent Real Estate Tax collector for 2017 real estate taxes due the Township of Harmony until

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the liens are filed with the Beaver County Tax Claim Bureau in April 2018 as required by law. Mr. Kokoski seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

9. Mr. Kokoski made a motion to authorize the Solicitor to prepare an Ordinance modifying the Earned Income and Net Profits Tax Rate for residents of the Township and non-residents of the township, including out of state residents to be equal to 1% of the earned income received and net profits earned. This would bring our Ordinance into compliance with Act 32 and the Local Tax Enabling Act. Mr. Payne seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.
10. Mr. Payne made a motion to provide a check in the amount of \$500 to Town & Country as a deposit to secure a tractor for future purchase for the Road Crew. Mr. Kokoski seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

VII. Township Administrators Report -See Attached

VIII. Consulting Engineer's Report -See Attached

XI. Solicitor's Report -None

X. Elected Officials' Report

Mr. Angus and the entire Board welcomed Mr. Bob Villella to his new position.

With no further business to discuss, Mr. Payne made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Kokoski seconded the motion. All in favor, meeting was adjourned at 5:30 P.M.