

HARMONY TOWNSHIP BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Minutes of the Regularly Scheduled Meeting of July 15, 2020

The July 15th, 2020 meeting of the Harmony Township Commissioners began at 6:00Pm. President Payne began the meeting by welcoming all in attendance and then made the welcomed all to the meeting and made the following announcements.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

- 1) The Board of Commissioners held an Executive Session at 5:00Pm on June 17 2020 at the Township Building, 2501 Woodland Rd, Ambridge PA. 15003 for the purposes of personnel and legal matters.
- 2) The Board of Commissioners held an Executive Session at 5:00Pm on July 15, 2020 to discuss personnel and legal matters.
- 3) The meeting of June 17th, 2020 is a public venue meeting held at the Municipal Building 2501 Woodland Rd, Ambridge, PA. 15003. This meeting has been advertised, B C Times 6-15-2020. The Township Assembly Room can be occupied at 50% capacity, all parties in attendance are expected to practice social distancing and wearing a face mask is required. If any person feels sick or ill, they have been urged to stay at home.

President Payne called the meeting to order and led all attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance. The Roll Call was taken and all Township officials and representatives were present for the meeting.

Commissioners and Other Officials

Mr. Kokoski, Vice President
Mrs. DeBona, Commissioner
Mr. Mosura, Commissioner
Mr. Gunther, Commissioner
Mr. Payne, President
Ms. Shannon Steele, Solicitor
Mr, Villella, Manager
Mrs. Winne, Tax Collector/Treasurer
Mr. Suehr, Township Engineer

The following residents and Township representatives were in attendance as follows (see attached Sign In Sheet).

Lorie Jeskey
Craig Winne
Rosemary Shrum
Robert Shrum
R Hallisey
D Hallisey

Joe Kotula
 Fabiola Gergerich
 Mark Kosk
 Mary Kephart
 Jack Bedalota
 Frank Presto
 John Biteler

The Board of Commissioners took the following actions:

- 1) Approval of the **JUNE 17, 2020** Meeting Minutes.

Voice Vote

Motion: DeBona Second: Mosura

All in favor - motion carried.

II) Approval of the following reports: The Township Manager is recommending the acceptance of the following Department Reports for the months of **JUNE 2020**.

1. Code Enforcement Department Report
2. Road Department Report
3. Police Department Report
4. Sewage Department Report.
5. Tax Collector/Treasurer's Report as submitted for **JUNE 2020**.

Voice Vote

Motion: Gunther Second: Kokoski

All in favor - motion carried.

III). Approval of the Accounts Payable for the month of JULY 2020

- A.) It is the recommendation of the Finance Committee to approve the **JULY 2020** Accounts Payable in the total amount of \$ **237,667.23**.

General Fund	\$58,126.26
Wire Transfer Health Insurance	\$35,718.81
Liquid Fuels	\$ 4813.94
Sewer Fund	\$ 95,347.50
Police Pension Fund	\$ 422.63
2018 Capital Program Fund	\$ 43,236.09
	\$237,667.23

Roll Call Vote.

Motion: DeBona Second: Mosura

All in favor by voting yes to the item.

IV) Consent Agenda

Those matters included under the consent agenda are self-explanatory and are not expected to require further review or discussion. Items will be enacted by one motion. If discussion is desired by any member of the Board of Commissioners, that item must be removed from the consent agenda and considered separately.

Motion to approve Items 1 listed on the Consent Agenda

- 1) Approval of Sewage Account adjustments as presented.

Voice Vote

Motion: Kokoski Second: Mosura

All in favor – Motion Carried

NEW BUSINESS

Finance Committee

- 1) A Motion would be in order to authorize a transfer the amount of \$4956.00 from the General Fund Money Market representing 1st Quarter 2020 IPSCO Koppel nonresident tax withholdings attributed to the Capital Improvement Fund.

Roll Call Vote

Motion: DeBona Second: Gunther

Kokoski ___ Mosura ___ DeBona ___ Gunther ___ Payne

All in favor by voting yes to the item.

2018 General Obligation Bond Series Capital Program Fund

Managers Note: It is the intention whenever engaged in contracts or projects of this nature that a separate Motion be established to authorize and /or ratify action taken on matters which are the subject of the 2018 GO Bond Series. All projects authorized and /or ratified will be paid for through the 2018 GO Bond Series Capital Program Fund.

- 2) A Motion would be in order to authorize the payment to CTM in the amount of \$31,267.00 for the completion of the project at 10th Street and Webb, said payment includes the final payment amount of \$7507.00 for Phase I and the amount of \$23,760.00 for Change Order I. This amount will be paid from the 2018 General Obligation Bond Series Capital Program Fund.

Managers Note: At the meeting of February 19, 2020 the Commissioners authorized the President of the Board of Commissioners and the Township Manager to execute the Change Order for additional concrete replacement on the Project named 10th Street and Webb Avenue, Contract No. 28-79-92-4B in the amount of \$23,760.00. All costs will be paid from the 2018 GO Bond Series

Roll Call Vote

Motion: Gunther Second: Kokoski

Gunther _____ Kokoski _____ Mosura _____ DeBona _____ Payne _____

All in favor by voting yes to the item.

- 3) A Motion would be in order to accept the recommendation of T Squared Engineering and reject all bids received for the Public Works Addition Project.

Voice Vote

Motion: DeBona Second: Mosura

All in favor by voting yes to the item.

- 4) A Motion would be in order authorizing the Manager to advertise bid documents as prepared by T Squared for the Public Works Garage addition subject to the approval of the Solicitor and Manager. Further requiring that any individual or business desirous of submitting a competitive bid must attend a pre bid meeting.

Roll Call Vote

Motion: Kokoski Second: Mosura

Kokoski _____ Mosura _____ DeBona _____ Gunther _____ Payne _____

All in favor by voting yes to the item.

Public Safety Committee

- 1) A Motion would be in order to adopt the Harmony Township Fire and Burning Ordinance providing for and regulating the use of fires and burning by the establishment of specific regulations, exceptions, and definitions; providing for enforcement; and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof. This Ordinance will become effective ten (10) days after approval.

Roll Call Vote

Motion: DeBona Second: Gunther _____

Gunther _____ Kokoski _____ Mosura _____ DeBona _____ Payne _____

All in favor by voting yes to the item

2) Recreation Committee

- 1) A Motion would be in order to authorize the use of the Anthony Wayne Beyersdale Park to Felicia Mycyk for a youth sports camp focusing on speed and jumping. The camp will be held from the hours of 8:00Am to 11:00Am and restricted to the grass portion of the field only and the pavilion. All equipment shall be provided by the event sponsor, Felicia Mycyk. All registrations are offered through "Coach Up" and insurance will be provided in the amount of \$1,000,000 subject to Solicitor approval and naming the Township of Harmony as an additional insured and holding the Township hold free and save harmless and requiring that Felicia Mycyk inspect the field on a daily basis. The event will be held on the following dates:

July 20, July 27, August 3, August 10, August 17, and August 24th.

Voice Vote

Motion: Kokoski Second: Gunther

All in favor by voting yes to the item

President Payne provided the following information as it pertains to the Reports submitted by the Township representatives:

A. Township Manager's Report. The Manager has submitted updates to the Board of Commissioners on a periodic basis from the last meeting. Those reports are attached for the review and reference of the Commissioners.

B. Consulting Engineer's Report. An Engineers Report for the month of June has been submitted.

C. Solicitor's Report. The Solicitor has entered her invoice for services and setting forth the work performed for the month of June/July 2020.

President Payne asked all sitting Township elected officials if they had reports to submit pertaining to their Committees or other matters.

IX. Elected Officials' Report

Nothing to report.

X. Public Comment on Agenda or any other item of interest to the public.

Lorie Jeskey raised concerns over the parking at the intersection of Arletta Alley and Lenz Avenue. There are a lot of cars parked there and as a result the view of traffic is sometimes obstructed. President Payne advised that our Code Enforcement representatives would be looking at the situation.

Joe Kotula of Forest Rd. brought to the attention of Code Enforcement of young or teenage children at what appears to be a vacant property on Forest Rd. Mr. Kotula was advised to reach out to the Police when he is aware of suspicious activity and in the interim the Code enforcement representatives would evaluate the situation.

Mark Kosk and Mary Kephart of Mayfield Avenue spoke regarding a notice he had received involving the pool he had in his yard. He mentioned that during the Covid 19 no public pools are available, and this was only temporary in nature. The Code Enforcement advised that a permit is required and a proper fence for the safety of the homeowner and the public. President Payne advised to look at fencing options.

President Payne made the following announcements:

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

- 1) **The Municipal Authority Sewer Bill for the second quarter 2020 will be delayed.**
- 2) **The Township Civil Service Commission will be advertising for pt time police officers and required testing. The Zoning Hearing Board will be meeting on August 4th, 2020 to discuss a request for variance filed by Bajek-Pazzanita for the construction of a garage or accessory building which is not permitted by the Zoning Ordinance.**
- 3) **The Planning Commission will be tentatively scheduled for a meeting on July 22, 2020 pending the receipt of an application and other materials by the applicant Skyline Metals.**

ADJOURNMENT

Voice Vote.

Motion: Kokoski Second: Gunther

Time of Adjournment: 6:50 Pm

President Payne announced the meeting adjourned.

Submitted By: _____

Robert Vilella, Township Manager

Date: August 19, 2020