

Workshop Meeting Activity

November 14, 2016

TITLE

MOTION

SECOND

Approve Legislative Meeting Minutes of
October 17, 2016

Comm. Darragh

Comm. Schollaert

Adjournment

TOWNSHIP OF ALEPPO
WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES

November 14, 2016

CALL TO ORDER:

President Matthew Doebler called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance and roll call. Those in attendance were Vice-President George Jones, Commissioner Joanne Schollaert, Commissioner Arthur Williams, Commissioner Daniel Darragh, Solicitor Christopher Lovato and Manager Gwen Patterson. Secretary Kimberly Koskey was not in attendance.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF RECORDING:

President Doebler stated that there will be a new announcement before each meeting to remind everyone that the meetings are being recorded as well as live on the internet.

MINUTES:

Commissioner Darragh made a motion to approve the Legislative Meeting Minutes of October 17, 2016. Commissioner Schollaert seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

COMMUNICATIONS UPDATE:

President Doebler explained his communication goals with the residents of Aleppo including getting emails from any residents interested in receiving communications from the Township.

FERNDALE TOWNHOUSE DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION:

Manager Patterson discussed the application for the Ferndale Townhouses. She explained that there were two lots that will potentially have 12 Townhouses built on them. The developers are waiting for final approval from the County Conservation District along with the Water & Sewer Authority. She stated that the application will be on the December agenda for final approval. Herb Ford of 721 Sycamore Road Extension questioned his driveway/right-of-way which was not included on the developer's plans. Manager Patterson will forward the information to the developer. Heather Dumek questioned the zoning. Art Capuzzi questioned the acreage.

SWOT ANALYSIS:

Commissioner Williams explained the idea of the SWOT Analysis. He also stated that he would try to have a final list available for February 2017.

LEGAL ADVERTISING IN PITTSBURGH POST-GAZETTE:

Manager Patterson explained that the Pittsburgh Tribune Review will no longer be publishing a paper, they will publish online only. The Township must advertise legally in a paid paper printed copy. The Sewickley Herald is where the Township advertises which is a subsidiary of the Tribune. The Township will now be looking to advertise in the Beaver County/Allegheny County Times or the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette.

LIVE-WELL ALLEGHENY PROGRAM:

President Doebler discussed a program that Allegheny County is trying to promote to have Allegheny County residents healthier. They have criteria that communities and/or businesses can fulfill to qualify as a “Live-Well” establishment. A badge will be displayed for participating communities. He is looking for somebody to investigate having Aleppo Township a “Live-Well” community. Commissioner Schollaert volunteered to look into and participate in this program.

DISCUSSION OF POTENTIAL SALE OF PARK PROPERTY:

Manager Patterson discussed a property that the Township owns. She was approached by a resident who may be interested in buying the parcel to build a house on. The general thought was the parcel should not be developed because it is too small. The Township declined to sell the property at this time.

2017 BUDGET:

Manager Patterson presented the first draft for the 2017 Budget. She will meet with Vice-President Jones and Commissioner Williams to review. She asked the Commissioners to review and get their concerns to her asap. The budget will be on the agenda for the December meeting to be adopted.

Janet Miller questioned the amount and length of time for the sewer debt service and why the Township cannot allocate funds to lower the debt service amount. President Doebler explained that the Authority is a separate entity and the Township’s budget is not part of the Authority’s budget.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION:

Herb Ford questioned if the construction project on Weber Road has an end in sight. Manager Patterson will check with the building inspector on the end date.

ADJOURNMENT:

President Doebler adjourned the meeting at 8:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Kimberly A. Koskey
Township Secretary