

Legislative Meeting Activity

July 17, 2023

<u>TITLE</u>	<u>MOTION</u>	<u>SECOND</u>
Approve the June 19, 2023 Legislative Meeting Minutes	Commissioner Darragh	Vice President Williams
Adopt a Resolution for Plan Revision for New Land Development approving the sewage planning module for the Vescio Plan of Lots.	Commissioner Darragh	Vice President Williams
Approve the June bill list in the amount of \$34,255.43; to ratify June pre-paid bills in the amount of \$13,676.38; and to ratify June payroll transfers in the amount of \$17,809.02.	Commissioner Haluka	Commissioner Darragh
Adjournment		

TOWNSHIP OF ALEPPO**LEGISLATIVE MEETING MINUTES****July 17, 2023****CALL TO ORDER:**

President George Jones called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance and roll call. Those in attendance were Vice President Arthur Williams, Commissioner Dan Darragh, Commissioner Judy Haluka, Solicitor Harlan Stone, Manager Gwen Patterson, and Secretary Patty Krecek. Commissioner Amy Richert was not in attendance. President Jones announced that the meeting is being recorded.

MINUTES:

Commissioner Darragh made a motion to approve the June 19, 2023 Legislative Meeting Minutes. Vice President Williams seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

REPORTS:**POLICE:**

Ohio Township Chief Joseph Hanny gave the report for the month of June. There were 56 calls, which included 27 EMS assists, a few residential and commercial alarms, two fraud calls, some traffic citations, and one soliciting complaint for Solar Energy. Chief Hanny said there was a gentleman on a hoverboard who was going door to door in The Manor; however, by the time the police officer arrived, he was gone. He also said the gentleman did not have a permit. The report was accepted.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT:

Commissioner Haluka said she completed a new Emergency Operations Plan (EOP) for Aleppo Township, and it will be on the agenda for the meeting next month. She said she is also working on a new EOP for The Manor. Commissioner Haluka said the EOP is an overall plan for a response to an emergency that requires multi-disciplinary response such as a pandemic, hazardous material spill, a train wreck, etc. She said each major neighborhood now must have an EOP, which is why she is working on a plan for The Manor. She said there is already an up-to-date EOP for Masonic. Commissioner Haluka said a new EOP is required every five years. The report was accepted.

PUBLIC WORKS:

Supervisor Tim Scott provided a summary for the month of June. A detailed report was provided to the Board. The report was accepted.

PLANNING/ZONING:

Commissioner Darragh made a motion to adopt a Resolution for Plan Revision for New Land Development approving the sewage planning module for the Vescio Plan of Lots. Vice President Williams seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

TAX COLLECTOR/TREASURER:

Manager Patterson provided the detailed reports for the month of June to the Board. The report was accepted.

AUDIT:

Manager Patterson said a draft of the 2022 Audit Report is completed and is being reviewed by the Township's Finance Committee and Treasurer. She said the auditor expects to be at the Workshop Meeting on August 14, 2023 to present the audit to the Board of Commissioners.

FINANCE:

Manager Patterson said the Township contracted with Bankson Engineers to update the Township's Act 537 Sewage Facilities Plan, which was completed and approved last year. She said the estimate from Bankson was \$13,800.00; however, their actual costs were nearly double that amount. Manager Patterson said Bankson completed an analysis of the project, and they determined that a greater amount of time was spent on addressing comments from the DEP (Department of Environmental Protection). She said Bankson has submitted a request asking the Township to cover a portion of the extra costs, which is \$3,414.45. Manager Patterson said the cost is included in the June bill list.

Commissioner Haluka made a motion to approve the June bill list in the amount of \$34,255.43; to ratify June pre-paid bills in the amount of \$13,676.38; and to ratify June payroll transfers in the amount of \$17,809.02. Commissioner Darragh seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

SOLICITOR:

Solicitor Stone said that Allegheny County's property tax assessment for the last couple of years has been challenged by a number of residents who believe they discovered that the common level ratio, which is part of the formula that goes into calculating the assessment, was improperly adjusted. He said as a result, they are calculating that the common level ratio should be reduced from approximately 80% to 66%. Solicitor Stone advised the Board that during the budget process, they should factor in the possibility of not receiving the same level of revenue from the tax assessments. He said the case is currently on appeal and has not been finalized. He said they are monitoring the case and the topic will be on the agenda at the Fall Conference for boroughs, townships, and authorities, which is being held in Erie, PA in October 2023. The report was accepted.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

None.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION:

None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Not needed.

ADJOURNMENT:

President Jones adjourned the meeting at 7:21 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Patty Krecek
Township Secretary