

Legislative Meeting Activity**June 17, 2019**

<u>TITLE</u>	<u>MOTION</u>	<u>SECOND</u>
Approve the June 10, 2019 Workshop Meeting Minutes	Comm. Darragh	VP Jones
Approve the submitted Verizon covered parking lot plan as recommended by the Planning Commission and HRG	VP Jones	Comm. Duplaga
Appoint Braden Blosser to the Zoning Hearing Board for a three year term	VP Jones	Comm. Williams
Defer for one month	Comm. Williams	VP Jones
Motion to approve the May bill list in the amount of \$137,456.91, motion to ratify the May pre-paid bills in the amount of \$11,922.31, motion to ratify the May payroll transfers in the amount of \$17,364.08	VP Jones	Comm. Williams
Contact the DEP to ask them to make a site inspection of 690 Glen Mitchell Road	Comm. Duplaga	Pres. Doebler
Adopt the May 2019 version of the Emergency Operation Procedure for Aleppo Township	Pres. Doebler	Comm. Williams
Hire technicians to perform AV tasks at township meetings in the amount of \$100 per meeting	Pres. Doebler	VP Jones
Adopt a resolution stating the Board of Commissioners of Aleppo Township, Pennsylvania support HR 763, the Energy Innovation and Carbon Dividend Act. We urge our elected leaders to work toward this as a potential solution towards climate change	Comm. Duplaga	Pres. Doebler
Defer until there are five members of the Board	Pres. Doebler	VP Jones
Give consent to settle the Masonic Village litigation within the policy limits	Comm. Darragh	VP Jones
Adjournment		

TOWNSHIP OF ALEPPO
LEGISLATIVE MEETING MINUTES

June 17, 2019

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 Arthur Williams, Commissioner Daniel Darragh, Commissioner Michelle Duplaga, Solicitor Harlan Stone and Manager Gwen Patterson. Secretary Kimberly Koskey was not in attendance.

MINUTES:

Commissioner Darragh made a motion to approve the June 10, 2019 Workshop Meeting Minutes. Vice President Jones seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Manager Patterson and the Board presented President Doebler with a gift of appreciation for his time spent on the Aleppo Township Board.

REPORTS:

FIRE:

No report.

PUBLIC SAFETY REPORT:

Ohio Township Sergeant Beck gave his report to the Board and the public for the month of May. The report was accepted.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT:

No report.

PUBLIC WORKS:

Tom Jarvie gave his report for the month of May. The report was accepted.

COMMUNICATIONS:

President Doebler read an email from a resident expressing his opinion regarding the support of HR 763.

PLANNING/ZONING:

President Doebler presented the motion to approve the submitted Verizon Covered Parking Plan as recommended by the Planning Commission and HRG subject to entering into a Developer's Agreement prepared by and acceptable to the Township Solicitor. This motion was made at the Workshop meeting last week at the Workshop meeting by Vice President Jones and seconded by Commissioner Duplaga.

Commissioner Duplaga questioned the progress of the Developer's Agreement. Manager Patterson explained she is working on setting up a meeting with the Ownership Group, Township Management, the Authority Engineer, the Township Engineer and the Chairman of the Authority.

The motion passed unanimously.

ZONING HEARING BOARD OPENING:

Braden Blosser presented his background and interest in serving on the Zoning Hearing Board.

Vice President Jones made a motion to appoint Braden Blosser to the Zoning Hearing Board for a three year term. Commissioner Williams seconded.

Commissioner Williams made a motion to defer for one month. Vice President Jones seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

TAX COLLECTOR:

Clayton Steup gave the report for the month of May. The report was accepted.

TREASURER:

Clayton Steup gave the report for the month of May. The report was accepted.

FINANCE:

Vice President Jones made a motion to approve the May bill list in the amount of \$137,456.91.
Vice President Jones made a motion to ratify the May pre-paid bills in the amount of \$11,922.31.
Vice President Jones made a motion to ratify the May payroll transfers in the amount of \$17,364.08.
Commissioner Williams seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

ALEPPO TOWNSHIP AUTHORITY:

No report.

QUAKER VALLEY AMBULANCE AUTHORITY:

No report.

QVCOG:

No report.

SOLICITOR:

Solicitor Stone reported the Verizon Franchise Agreement is ready for the Board's approval, but he just received the final changes today and needs an Ordinance for approval. He recommended putting it on the agenda for next month.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

MOTION TO CONTACT THE DEP TO ASK THEM TO MAKE A SITE INSPECTION OF 690 GLEN MITCHELL ROAD:

This motion was made last week at the Workshop meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION TO ADOPT THE MAY 2019 VERSION OF THE EMERGENCY OPERATION PROCEDURE FOR ALEPPO TOWNSHIP:

This motion was made last month at the Legislative meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION TO HIRE TECHNICIANS TO PERFORM AV TASKS AT TOWNSHIP MEETINGS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$100 PER MEETING:

This motion was made last week at the Workshop meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

HR 763 STATEMENT OF SUPPORT:

Manager Patterson presented three options given to her by Tim Kelly. Commissioner Darragh expressed his concerns regarding supporting this issue. He also recommended individual support from the residents. President Doebler suggested drafting the statement and voting on it.

Commissioner Duplaga made a motion to adopt a resolution stating "The Board of Commissioners of Aleppo Township, Pennsylvania support HR 763, the Energy Innovation and Carbon Dividend Act. We urge our elected leaders to work toward this as a potential solution towards climate change." President Doebler seconded.

President Doebler made a motion to defer until there are five members of the Board. Vice President Jones seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

President Doebler announced again that this is his last meeting here. He is submitting his resignation as of June 28, 2019 because he will not be a resident any longer. He expressed his gratitude to the Board, his family, Manager Patterson and to the community. He also reviewed issues that the Township has corrected and issues that still need attention in the future.

NEW BUSINESS:

Commissioner Duplaga reported on an email received by Amy Sturgess regarding the House Bill favoring small cell towers. The email requested the Board oppose this Bill. Solicitor Stone updated the Board on the Legislation. Dan Cohen's firm has done an analysis on what the impact of that would be on local municipalities. The analysis makes recommendations for municipalities if this Bill passes. Solicitor Stone explained if it doesn't pass there is nothing for the Township to do. If it does pass the Township may be required to implement certain procedures that would benefit the industry but would take away some of the local zoning powers of the local government.

Commissioner Duplaga reported on House Bill 1577 regarding second class counties and the dissolution of municipalities. Solicitor Stone explained this Bill gives a municipality the option to dissolve and become part of the County. The Bill is for distressed communities that cannot afford to provide services.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION:

Resident Art Capuzzi expressed his gratitude to President Doebler for serving on the Board. He also expressed his strong objection to the support of HR 763. He does not believe the Township should be involved in a Federal level decision.

Resident Dave Von Kaenel, Jr. asked if there are future plans to repair Redgate Road. Manager Patterson reported that she and Tom Jarvie toured the area with PennDOT representatives. She explained PennDOT has a meeting this week with their Geotech emergency team and will get back to Manager Patterson with the results of the meeting.

Resident Braden Blosser expressed his concerns regarding the trucks parking in the lot on Redgate Road leaving the headlights on and the litter being left in the lot.

At 8:02 PM the Board moved into executive session to discuss legal claims and pending litigation and returned to regular session at 8:53 PM.

Commissioner Darragh made a motion to give consent to settle the Masonic Village litigation within the policy limits. Vice President Jones seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT:

President Jones adjourned the meeting at 8:53 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Kimberly A. Koskey
Township Secretary