Workshop Meeting Activity

April 14, 2025

TITLE	MOTION	SECOND
Approve the March 18, 2025 Legislative Meeting Minutes.	Commissioner Darragh	Vice President Williams
Adjournment		

TOWNSHIP OF ALEPPO

WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES

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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 Amy Richert, Commissioner Judy Haluka, Manager Gwen Patterson, and Secretary Patty Krecek. Solicitor Anna Jewart participated by telephone. President Jones announced that the meeting is being recorded.

MINUTES:

Commissioner Darragh made a motion to approve the March 18, 2025 Legislative Meeting Minutes. Vice President Williams seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS:

OPEN SEAT ON PLANNING COMMISSION:

Manager Patterson said she received letters of interest from two residents. She said in the past the Board has invited the candidates to a meeting to introduce themselves to the Board and the public. President Jones asked Manager Patterson to invite the candidates to the Workshop Meeting on May 12, 2025.

EARTH DAY CLEANUP EVENT – APRIL 26, 2025:

Manager Patterson said this event will take place on Saturday, April 26, 2025. She said anyone who wants to participate should arrive at the Municipal Building around 8:45 a.m. for coffee and donuts. Manager Patterson said the Township will provide gloves, safety vests, trash bags, and grabbers. She said the roads will be Deer Run, Redgate and Glenfield, and volunteers will not have to walk up Deer Run because there will be a truck to drive them up the hill.

NEW BUSINESS:

CONDITIONAL USE HEARING – CARL WALKER CONSTRUCTION / 209 OVERLOOK DRIVE:

Manager Patterson said there will be a conditional use hearing for Carl Walker Construction at the beginning of the Legislative Meeting on April 21, 2025. She said they are proposing to purchase a building at 209 Overlook Drive in the Industrial Park and operate their construction business out of that site. Manager Patterson said the Planning Commission has recommended approval subject to the conditions from the Township's engineer.

EXONERATION OF CLAYTON STEUP FOR COLLECTION OF 2023 REAL ESTATE TAXES:

Manager Patterson said this is an annual requirement from the company that bonds the Township's Tax Collector so he is not responsible for any outstanding balances. She said there will be a motion to exonerate Clayton Steup on the agenda for the Legislative Meeting on April 21, 2025.

DONATION REQUEST FROM ALEPPO TOWNSHIP VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY:

Manager Patterson said every year the VFC does a fundraising campaign. She said the Township office and residents receive a letter from the VFC asking for a donation. Manager Patterson said last year the Board approved a $250.00 donation. President Jones asked Manager Patterson to put this on the agenda for the Legislative Meeting on April 21, 2025.

RECAP OF ALOM CONFERENCE SESSIONS:

Manager Patterson, President Jones, and Vice President Williams provided a summary of the sessions from the ALOM (Allegheny League of Municipalities) conference. President Jones also said there is a national problem with fire companies recruiting volunteers and raising money for the cost of running the volunteer fire company. He said there is an EMS company that offers volunteers the opportunity to obtain a degree from a two-year vocational technical college if they sign up for five years. President Jones said some fire companies are looking at additional tax rebates.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT WEEK APRIL 14-18:

Manager Patterson said local government week is for those who work in local government to share what they do with the public. She said the Township Secretary wrote an article and it is posted on the Township website in Local News. Manager Patterson said Aleppo Township was awarded the Banner Community designation for the first time this year. She said it is a program through ALOM that asks municipalities to certify that they do a lot of different kinds of initiatives pertaining to finance, communication, public outreach, etc.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION:

Manager Patterson said she received an email from a resident with concerns about speeding on McCoy Place Road. She said she is going to give the information to the Chief of Police.

ADJOURNMENT:

President Jones adjourned the meeting at 7:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Patty Krecek
Township Secretary