

**Workshop Meeting Activity**

**January 9, 2023**

**TITLE**

**MOTION**

**SECOND**

Approve the December 19, 2022 Legislative Meeting Minutes.

Commissioner Darragh

Commissioner Richert

Approve submitting an order for a new dump truck and spreader.

Commissioner Darragh

Commissioner Richert

Adjournment

**TOWNSHIP OF ALEPPO**

**WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES**

**January 9, 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 Commissioner Dan Darragh, Commissioner Amy Richert, Commissioner Judy Haluka, Solicitor Harlan Stone, Manager Gwen Patterson, and Secretary Patty Krecek. Vice President Arthur Williams was not in attendance. President Jones announced that the meeting is being recorded.

**MINUTES:**

Commissioner Darragh made a motion to approve the December 19, 2022 Legislative Meeting Minutes. Commissioner Richert seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**ORDINANCE PROHIBITING THE FEEDING OF DEER:**

Manager Patterson said the ordinance has been advertised for adoption at the Legislative Meeting on January 16, 2023. She said there were no comments regarding the ordinance; however, she did get an email from a resident who asked if the Commissioners would look into some of the different resources for controlling the deer population humanely with birth control through a feeding program. Manager Patterson said the resident provided links for articles, so she will send those to the Commissioners to review.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:**

Manager Patterson said there are terms ending this year for various positions; therefore, on the agenda for the Legislative Meeting on January 16, 2023, there will be three re-appointments as follows: chair of the Vacancy Board, a member of the Zoning Hearing Board, and chairman of the Authority Board for a temporary term.

**VACANCY ON PLANNING COMMISSION:**

Manager Patterson said Tom Arbogast from the Planning Commission has retired at the end of his term. She said the vacancy is for a five year term, the person needs to be a resident of the Township, and the Planning Commission meets once a month, as needed, on the first Wednesday of the month. She said this Board reviews all subdivision and land development applications and works closely with the Township engineer. Manager Patterson said they also work on projects such as updating the Zoning Ordinance, and they will be working on the upcoming Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance update this year. She said if any resident is interested, please give her a call and she can provide more information.

**OPENING ON THE ALEPPO TOWNSHIP AUTHORITY BOARD:**

Manager Patterson said Tim Merrill from the Authority Board is looking to retire, and he is willing to be re-appointed for a short period of time to make sure the Board is functional and has enough members until his replacement can be found. She said this Board oversees the Water and Sewer Authority and they work with the Authority engineer to set rates and keep the infrastructure going, and work on other projects. Manager Patterson said they meet once a month on the fourth Thursday of the month.

**NEW DUMP TRUCK AND SPREADER:**

President Jones said that several years ago the cost for a dump truck was \$85,000 and now the cost is \$120,000, and they are difficult to find. He said if they miss the current schedule to order, which closes on January 15th, then they may have to wait until November to order a dump truck. Manager Patterson said the existing dump truck is still functional and when they receive the new dump truck, they will sell the existing dump truck and put that money into the truck reserve fund. President Jones said the life of a dump truck is 15 years and the existing dump truck is a 2006.

Commissioner Darragh made a motion to approve submitting an order for a new dump truck and spreader. Commissioner Richert seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

**CHRISTMAS TREE RECYCLING:**

Manager Patterson said the Christmas tree pick up was this morning. She said 56 trees were collected from Aleppo residents, and they also helped the Mary Roberts Reinhart Nature Park by mulching trees that were collected from Osborne residents to be used in the park.

**CITIZEN PARTICIPATION:**

None.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

Not requested.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

President Jones adjourned the meeting at 7:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Patty Krecek  
Township Secretary