

Workshop Meeting Activity

March 11, 2019

TITLE

MOTION

SECOND

Approve the Legislative Meeting Minutes of
February 18, 2019

Comm. Williams

Comm. Duplaga

Adjournment

TOWNSHIP OF ALEPPO

WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES

March 11, 2019

CALL TO ORDER:

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

MINUTES:

Commissioner Williams made a motion to approve the Legislative Meeting Minutes of February 18, 2019. Commissioner Duplaga seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS:

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SALE OF VACANT LOT (422-G-351):

Manager Patterson reported that Solicitor Stone has made contact with the Quaker Valley School District and there will be an update at the next Legislative meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

DEMO OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT CART:

Manager Gwen Patterson gave a demonstration of the Emergency Management Cart. She explained if the Township ever declares an emergency for the operating center activation this is the cart that would be used. The demonstration included where the cart is kept and the binder that is to be referred to first to set up the room in the case of an emergency. The binder includes who to call first, phone lists, copier instructions, website instructions and equipment inventory. She also explained that Judy Haluka or Sally Shipley would hopefully be onsite to guide them through the emergency. The cart also includes maps of the Townships. The cart also includes binders to explain everybody's role during an emergency. Manager Patterson also explained that if the emergency is big enough the County and the State do take over. She also explained the Commissioners can declare an emergency without being present. The cart also includes masks, neon t-shirts, a laptop, flashing lights, a bullhorn, and general office supplies. An emergency radio with all of the County channels is on Manager Patterson's desk. The Board also discussed the chain of command in an emergency situation.

GLASS RECYCLING EVENT – PARTNERSHIP WITH KILBUCK TOWNSHIP:

Manager Patterson explained that most recycling programs do not accept glass anymore. Waste Management has not refused glass from Aleppo Township yet, but they do not want the glass. She also explained that Pennsylvania Resources Council is holding glass recycling events around the Pittsburgh region. There is an event at the end of March in Edgeworth and one scheduled in June in Kilbuck Township. Kilbuck did ask

Aleppo Township to partner with them to share the cost of the event which is \$750.00. She stated that Kilbuck has not made a decision, so she is not sure where this stands yet. She also explained that there was a discussion at the COG to have each municipality hold the event once a month which would cover the year for glass recycling. The Board discussed the idea of glass recycling and what to do with the glass. The PRC offers this program as an opportunity to have the communities recycle the glass. The Commissioners asked Manager Patterson to investigate the cost of hiring a curb-side glass recycling collector.

ACT 172 PROPERTY TAX REFUNDS:

Manager Patterson explained that the Act 172 ordinance was passed over a year ago. She will have a complete list by the next meeting of all the certified volunteer firefighters who will be eligible for a property tax credit of 20% of their paid Township property tax. There will be a list of their names and the amount of the refund that will need to be approved individually. This will be included in next week's finance report.

2019 GOALS:

Manager Patterson explained that one of President Doebler's goals for 2019 was to ask HRG for a proposal to study the feasibility of Aleppo creating a regional salt storage facility to assist our neighboring municipalities in their search for a location. Sewickley Borough no longer offers this to the smaller communities. Glenfield, Haysville and Osborne are searching for an alternate site for their salt. HRG developed a proposal on what it would cost HRG to study the issue in full, map it out, determine size, have a meeting to decide what partners are involved and design it on a site if the Township had a site. She explained this is not something to be voted on, this is an outline for the scope of services at a cost of about \$8,000.00 to do the study to determine the feasibility of creating this salt storage. The Board discussed the idea to determine the demand before they spend \$8,000.00 just to do the study. The Board will review the report and discuss it at the next meeting.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION:

Resident Shelley Zasadni expressed her concerns to the Board regarding neighboring residents speeding on McCoy Place Road. She asked if a speed hump could be placed at what she considers to be a blind bend. Manager Patterson explained HRG produced some handouts a few years ago which detailed ways to control speeding. The speed bumps have been discussed but have caused concern regarding plowing. The police did set up a speed monitor in this area before. The Board explained there have been many discussions in the past regarding these speeding issues. Resident Art Capuzzi also expressed his concerns regarding speeding in the Township. The Board also stated they would discuss this issue again with the Chief of Police.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 7:51 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Kimberly A. Koskey
Township Secretary