

Workshop Meeting Activity

May 10, 2021

TITLE

MOTION

SECOND

Approve the April 19, 2021 Legislative Meeting Minutes.

Commissioner Darragh

Commissioner Haluka

Adjournment

TOWNSHIP OF ALEPPO

WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES

May 10, 2021

CALL TO ORDER:

President Jones called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with roll call. Those in attendance were Commissioner Daniel Darragh, Commissioner Judy Haluka, Solicitor Harlan Stone, Manager Gwen Patterson, and Public Works Supervisor Tim Scott. Commissioner Richert joined the meeting 7:05 p.m. Vice President Arthur Williams and Secretary Patty Krecek were not in attendance. The meeting is being recorded and conducted remotely using video communications.

EXPLANATION OF MEETING FORMAT:

Solicitor Stone said the Board is meeting under the guidelines established by the governor and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for public meetings during the COVID-19 crisis.

MINUTES:

Commissioner Darragh made a motion to approve the April 19, 2021 Legislative Meeting Minutes. Commissioner Haluka seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS:

DISCUSSION OF NEW ALUMINUM TRUCK BED:

PW Supervisor Scott provided the following information about the truck bed: The truck bed on the 2007 truck was replaced three years ago and now the bed on the 2012 truck needs to be replaced because it is rusting away. He obtained pricing for a new aluminum bed from the same company that was used for the older truck and the bid is for \$17,615. President Jones asked for the anticipated extension of life for the truck, and PW Supervisor Scott said six years. PW Supervisor Scott said the 2007 dump truck will last approximately another two to three years. Commissioner Darragh asked PW Supervisor Scott if he was satisfied with the truck bed on the 2007 truck, and PW Supervisor Scott said he checks the truck every year and there has been no corrosion. Manager Patterson said she will put this item on the agenda for the Legislative Meeting on Monday, May 17, 2021.

OLD BUSINESS:

POLICE CONTRACT RENEWAL ORDINANCE:

Manager Patterson said this is the renewal of the contract with the Ohio Township Police, which has to be adopted with an ordinance, and it has been advertised to be on the agenda for the Legislative Meeting on Monday, May 17, 2021. This renewal would extend the contract for three more years.

ROAD WEIGHT LIMIT STUDY:

Solicitor Stone said the proposal from HRG Engineering is to provide the Township with a PennDOT approved study, which includes core sampling. He said the performance of the core sampling bolsters enforceability of an ordinance because the PennDOT study contemplates that the Township will make a determination as to the existing condition of the road before adopting an ordinance. He also said the tonnage of the weight limits will be dependent upon the current conditions of the road, so the core sampling is an essential part of the study. Manager Patterson said the proposal with the core sampling is \$8,995 and without core sampling is \$6,895. PW Supervisor Scott said he recommends core sampling because he has excavated some of the roads and he has found bases that are not proper. Manager Patterson said she will put this item on the agenda for the Legislative Meeting on Monday, May 17, 2021.

Commissioner Haluka asked about samples being taken on Rhodes Avenue. Manager Patterson said that HRG Engineering is doing a study with sensors in the road to determine if the road is moving. After the study is finished, the Board will receive a final Geotech Report. PW Supervisor Scott said that three test holes have been drilled and a plastic pipe is dropped in with a machine that gives them an idea of the amount of movement. He said the part of the road where the Township put in French drains is definitely moving. Commissioner Richert said the patch repair work that the Township did as a temporary fix is already cracked, which would indicate movement. President Jones said the study should be completed by the end of May 2021.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION:

None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Not requested.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned by President Jones at 7:13 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Patty Krecek
Township Secretary