

LEET TOWNSHIP BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
November 14, 2016  
Minutes of the Board of Commissioner's Regular Meeting

The Regular Meeting of the Leet Township Board of Commissioners was brought to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Bradel in the Leet Township Municipal Building, 198 Ambridge Ave., Fair Oaks, PA 15003. Commissioners present were Gary Bradel, Susan Barness, John Stephansky, Jeff Besong and Jim Janaszek.

Also present:

Bill Rodgers, Solicitor

John Macurak, Resident

Wayne Hyjek, Mgr. /Treasurer

Elaine Macurak, Resident

Betsy Rengers, Assistant Manager/Sec.

Leonard Bobincheck, Resident

Cindy Wanto, Tax Collector

Bill Wanto, Chief

Tom Jones, Resident

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**MOTION:** Mr. Stephansky made a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular and Budget meeting minutes of October 10 and November 1, 2016, as submitted, seconded by Mr. Janaszek, with all in favor.

**APPROVAL OF BILLS PAYABLE**

**MOTION:** Mr. Janaszek made a motion to pay the bills listed on Bill List 10-16, seconded by Mrs. Barness, with all in favor.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Public Works Report:** Mr. Stephansky read the Public Works Report for November as submitted by Richard Watach, Public Works Foreman:

Total Man Hours: 618

*Activities:*

- 144 hours on leaf removal with 23 truckloads so far.
- 21 hours cutting grass and weeds.
- 21 hours working at our leaf dump sites.
- 8 hours working at Plum Street Park. The restrooms have been winterized.
- 18 hours in MS4.
- 9 hours on tree work.
- 22 hours working on equipment.
- 5 hours painting traffic lines

*General Information*

- Andy and Cody attended L-Tap snow removal class.

*Upcoming Work*

- Getting snow removal equipment ready.

*Update on Ongoing issues*

- Mr. Watach sent a letter to Mr. Schweikert, 25 Main Street, regarding the deteriorating retaining wall and the concerns about the trees on the hillside. Mr. Schweikert stopped by to speak with Mr. Watach and Mr. Watach made suggestions to him on how to alleviate some of the issues. Mr. Schweikert was to get back to us regarding his plan to address these issues and has not yet done that.

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- Quaker Heights Storm Sewer Grates: Mr. Wanto has identified several storm sewer grates in Quaker Heights that are low. He has slated these to be fixed next summer when the paving project begins. Each will require risers and new grates and are costly to fix.
- Leaf Pick-up: The leaf machine is currently being repaired and should be up and running by Wednesday of this week.
- Russel Standard was recently repairing two catch basins in Leet Acres.

**MS4 Report:** No report at this time.

**Public Safety Report:** Mr. Janaszek reported that there were 70 calls in October. Mr. Janaszek listed the various types of calls.

**Finance Report:** Mrs. Barness reported that as of 10/31/2016:

FNB General Fund	\$39,295.70
FNB Liquid Fuels	\$45,692.84
FNB Escrow	\$18,682.55
FNB Emergency Reserve	\$1,125.58
FNB Fireman's Truck Fund	\$7,088.35
FNB Capitol Reserve	\$18,804.15
FNB Debit Card Fund	\$837.66
PLGIT Class	\$17.10

**Treasurers/Manager's Report:** Mr. Hyjek reported:

MOTION: Mrs. Barness made a motion to approve Resolution 2016-12 for the TAN Loan, in the amount of \$150,000.00 at a 1.47% interest rate for a 12 month period, seconded by Mr. Stephansky, with all in favor.

Trash and Recycle Day will change to Mondays on November 28<sup>th</sup>. New calendars and notices have been mailed to residents.

**Health and Sanitation:** No report at this time.

**QVCOG:** Demolition on 132 Mound Street is set to begin and is to be completed within 60 days of today. Both CDBG Pre applications were denied by the County-one for not meeting the low-mod income level and one because playground equipment may not only be used for handicapped children. We decided not to contest the findings because these projects would add upwards of \$30,000.00 to the budget.

Mr. Flevaris' demolition permit has been approved and we are waiting for him to pay for it. He will have his house torn down by the end of the month to satisfy his agreement with Judge Ford.

**Tax Collector:** Mrs. Wanto reported that for the month of October:

Taxes Collected: \$3,744.73

**Solicitor's Report:** Mr. Rodgers stated that last month we had an issue between neighbors regarding a fence that had been placed on the property line. The Commissioners asked him to look into fence ordinances in order to make a

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recommendation. Mr. Rodgers felt that the current ordinance does adequately address the issue of fences in the township, but we could put in a provision that fences be set back 6" from the property line. A discussion was had around the issue. The ordinances will be sent to the Planning Commission for their review and recommendation.

Mr. Rodgers will discuss personnel issues in Executive Session.

**Engineer's Report:** No report at this time.

**Fire Department Report:** Mr. Bradel reported that Turkey Bingo had started.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**Approval of Ordinance 2016-6 (Holding Tank Ordinance)**

**MOTION:** Mr. Janaszek made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2016-6 to regulate holding tanks within the Township, seconded by Mr. Stephansky, with all in favor.

**Approval of Ordinance 2016-7 (Cell and Mini-cell Towers)**

**MOTION:** Mr. Stephansky made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2016-7 regulating cell and mini cell towers, seconded by Mr. Janaszek, with all in favor.

**Resolution 2016-11 (Designation of Roads for Wireless Communications)**

**MOTION:** Mr. Stephansky made a motion to approve Resolution 2016-11 designating roads for wireless communications in the Township, seconded by Mr. Janaszek, with all in favor.

**Entrance at Quaker Heights:** After receiving a complaint from a resident concerning the extension of the island at the entrance to Quaker Heights, Mr. Stephansky went to look at the entrance. There is a problem with trees that block the view of oncoming traffic. Mr. Stephansky asked a few residents if they had issues with the entrance and they did not. The Township previously contacted the property owners about the trees and they were trimmed. The Township then received another complaint about the trees and the Township trimmed the trees as much as possible, but they are still a problem. Most of the residents like the island extension. A discussion was had around the issue. Mr. Rodgers will look into the issue to see what our options are.

**MOTION:** Mr. Stephansky made a motion to have Mr. Rodgers look into the rights of the Township regarding the safety of the roadway being blocked by resident's trees, seconded by Mrs. Barnes, with all in favor.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Police and Non-Uniformed Pension Plan Minimum Municipal Funding Obligation (MMO)**

The 2017 Minimum Municipal Funding Obligation for the Police Department is \$0.00.

The 2017 Minimum Municipal Funding Obligation for the Non-Uniformed Pension Plan is \$33,374.00.

**Pittsburgh Office of Vocational Rehabilitation (OVR) Summer Work Program**

The Commissioners are in favor of participating in the summer work program for children with disabilities. We will need clearance to participate.

**Fern Hollow Nature Center Support Program**

The Commissioners decided not to participate in this program.

**Thank You Note to Andy Wanto:**

Mr. Bradel read aloud a thank you note to Andy Wanto.

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**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Elaine and John Macurak, residents, asked about parking for the apartment building that is being renovated on Orchard Street. There is already a parking problem on Plum, Beech, and Orchard. A discussion was had around the issue. A parking lot was put at the end of Plum Street and is heavily used. Permit parking may be a solution. A resident in Quaker Heights has been asking for permit parking, as well. The discussion continued.

Elaine and John Macurak complained about cars with tarps that are parked in a yard. The car should have a current registration and inspection. Mr. Hyjek explained that if the car is covered and out of public view it is permissible. Mr. Wanto will look into it. The discussion continued.

Leonard Bobincheck, Resident, is upset that his neighbor has installed a fence. The fence was permitted by the Building Inspector. It is a 6' high fence and it comes out to Mr. Bobincheck's driveway. It makes it difficult for Mr. Bobincheck to park in his driveway. A discussion was had around the issue. Mr. Rodgers suggested that Mr. Bobincheck have the property surveyed. Chief Wanto offered to put a handicap space in front of the house. The discussion continued. The Township will look into it.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The Commissioners went into Executive Session at 7:55 p.m. to discuss personnel issues and came back into Regular Session at 8:30 after discussing personnel issues.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION:** There being no further business, Mrs. Barness made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Mr. Janaszek, with all in favor.

Respectfully Submitted:  
*Betsy Rengers, Secretary*