

- Minutes
  - Pittston Township
    - Board of Supervisors Meeting
      - July 18, 2022
        - Pittston Township Municipal Building

Call Meeting To Order                      7:00 PM

- Pledge of Allegiance
- Roll Call      Slezak \_\_\_P\_\_\_ Hawk \_P\_\_\_ Rinaldi \_\_AB\_\_\_

**Minutes:** minutes of the Supervisors regularly scheduled June 21, 2022 meeting was presented to Supervisors for their review comments and/or corrections.

#### QUESTIONS/CONCERNS

- **Motion:** To accept minutes of June 21, 2022 meeting
  - Slezak \_\_S\_\_ Hawk \_M\_\_ Rinaldi \_\_\_\_\_  
Roll Call: Slezak \_Y\_\_ Hawk \_\_Y\_ Rinaldi \_ \_\_\_\_\_

#### Supervisors Comments and correspondence

#### Announcements

**Electronics Event** - August 20, 2022 information distributed at the annual bag distribution and also on our web site.

**Annual Bag Distribution** - Business office personnel are compiling rebates which will be mailed out to residents in the coming weeks. To date, \$120,875 reimbursement checks for ambulance, sewer and Ptn Twp. maintenance fee have been mailed to residents.

**Pittston City Redevelopment** - Township joined the previous application submitted by the Pittston City Redevelopment to apply for funding to rehabilitate homes for low to moderate income families. Applications have been received by the Authority and according to officials one home in Ptn. Township was approved and currently the home renovation costs are out for bid. Now the Authority wants to submit an additional grant in the amount of \$750,000

- Motion to approve City of Pittston Redevelopment Authority Resolution 7-01 of 2022.

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#### Financial

**Motion:** To ratify June-July prepaid bills in the amount of \$183,816.70 and unpaid bills in the amount of \$11,815.48 and payroll

6-22-22	57773.27
7-06-22	64292.00

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Am Trust	4543
PLIC Insurance	701.53
Hartford	1071.28
Pr Transfer	69,339.57
Safelite	369.15
AFLAC	66.86
Pr Transfer	57,773.27
Sams Club	100
Amazon - Cops	149
Neopost	100
Cops Plus	179
Cops Plus	39.99
Wilkes College	60
Cops Plus	58.88
Neopost	100

Motion to approve payment of bills and unpaid bills.

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**Emergency Management Report** - Miller Keystone Blood Center Route 315, Suite E Pittston Township hosted Tunnel to Tower 9/11 Never Forget Mobile Exhibit July 9, 2020. Mr. Bonita and Supervisor Hawk commented about the exhibit. It was very moving, very well displayed and very well moderated. It was an event which portrays what went on that day and the far reaching problems which have occurred since that day. Supervisor Hawk thanked the police, fire and ambulance for their presence at the event.

#### **Fire Department**

Incident Report - read into minutes by Mr. Bonita

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- Motion to approve incident report

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Letter was sent to representatives of Local 5109 of the Pittston Twp. paid fire truck drivers outlining the Supervisors proposal for the contract beginning January 1, 2023. Representatives of Twp. are the Board of Supervisors and John Bonita. A meeting will be scheduled to discuss the proposal of the Supervisors. Mr. Bonita explained to the Drivers present that the absence of Supervisor Rinaldi might be for a few weeks and that he would like to participate in discussions.

Advertisement was made in the Citizens Voice for part time fire truck drivers. To date 10 applications have been received. Applications were forwarded to Chief Engineer for his(their) review. Again, Mr. Bonita explained to the Drivers present that the absence of Supervisor Rinaldi might be for a few weeks and that he would like to participate in discussions.

#### QUESTIONS/CONCERNS

##### **Road Department -**

Supervisor Slezak asked if a grant can be submitted to DCED for Armstrong Road. He stated that the road is in need of repairs and is only going to get worse. Mr. Bonita researched and found a DCED grant which is due July 31, 2022. A resolution must accompany the grant application. This grant, if received, will have a 30% Township match, approximately \$325,000.

#### QUESTIONS/CONCERNS

- Motion to prepare and submit Resolution 7-01 of 2022 in the amount of \$ 1,082,484 to Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Financing Authority to help fund the Armstrong Road Infrastructure Enhancement Project in Pittston Township. Grant proceeds will be \$ 757,728 with a Township match of \$ 324,746.

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##### **Recreation - Parks**

##### **Police**

**POLICE REPORT** - submitted by Chief Angelella -

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- Motion ACCEPT police report as submitted

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## **New Hires**

Chief Angelella presented to the Supervisors two applications for PART TIME employment. Thomas Skilonger and Joshua Rhoades. Her recommendation was to hire both applicants on a PART TIME basis. Additional part time help is needed to supplement vacations, attendance at training school and attendance at seminars.

## **QUESTIONS/CONCERNS**

- Motion to hire on a PART TIME basis Thomas Skilonger and Joshua Rhoades

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Lt. Peter Hockenberry has been selected to attend a Weights and Measure Class Thursday, July 21, 2022 in Harrisburg, Pa. Class will be from 8 AM to 4 PM Tuesday through Thursday. There is no registration fee for this course but the Twp. will be responsible for salary, mileage and room and board.

- Motion to approve Lt. Peter Hockenberry to attend the Weights and Measure Class

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## **Ambulance Association -**

### **Monthly Report**

- Motion Monthly Report

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## **QUESTIONS/CONCERNS**

## **Planning/Zoning/Code Enforcement**

T. Best submitted a zoning report for the month of June, 2022

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- Motion ACCEPT Monthly Report

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Planning Commission minutes accepted

#### **SAI Pittston Exit 175 Hotel Subdivision**

- a. Vote to approve waiver from 404.1 regarding drafting scale on plans
- b. Vote for approval of minor subdivision plan contingent on signatures, seals, certifications present on plan

- Motion approve SAI Pittston Exit 175 Subdivision with the conditions as outlined above and in CNA Engineering Report

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#### **SAI Pittston Exit 175 Hotel Land Development**

- a. Approve Land Development Plan contingent upon preparation, review and execution of a Developer's Agreement pertaining to the installation and maintenance of a stormwater pipe within the PDOT right of way and installation of traffic signs and related improvements to Hillside Ave and
- b. signatures, seals, certifications on plans

- Motion approve SAI Pittston Exit 175 Land Development with the conditions as outlined above and in CNA Engineering Report

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**Mericle Centerpoint West, Lot 4A** - vote to approve request submitted by applicant to extend the planning review period for this project by an additional 90 days.

- Motion approve request submitted by applicant to extend the planning review period for this project by an additional 90 days.

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**Engineering Report** - read into the minutes by Mr. Bonita and attached hereto

**MS-4 - no report**

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**Art Menichinni** - commended the police department for their professionalism displayed at the recent active shooter incident in the Township. Complained about the Shopel access road. Mericle need to improve the road. There is more of a need for access when the train tracks are blocked. Asked about other access roads and was told by Supervisor Slezak that this idea was explored and it was determined that it would not be possible to provide another access. Mr. Bonita was to try to arrange a meeting with Mericle to discuss this matter.

Shawn Menickha - complained about the excess speed on Market St. Asked about an electronic sign to show speed of drivers. Chief Angelella spoke about how her force was short due to vacations, seminars, etc. but she would memo this to the department.

Jim Sulima - Ziegler Road talked about the recent problem due to excess traffic on Ziegler road. As it was explained to him, there was an accident on the interstate and a concert at Montage. He did not want to hear any excuses - he wants Ziegler to remain private. He presented various scenarios to resolve the problem. Cul de sac, gated community..... He stated the township was growing and more services are needed in the community. Asked about a drop car in the area. Chief Angelella will look into the matter. Supervisor Slezak said the property is owned by Pagnotti, it is a private road. There are two gas lines buried in ground which could cause problems for blacktopping. Also, resident lawns and other items are in roadway. Solicitor said he was not sure if the gated community is permissible. The residents should form a Homeowners Association, research the concept of gated community and get approval.

### **Public Comment**

**Adjournment:** Motion to Adjourn

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