

Montgomery Township
1220 Cush Creek Road, Cherry Tree, PA 15724-7728

Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes

Wednesday February 09, 2022

Members Present: William Burba, Kevin Penrose and Edward M. Freno

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Charlie Bootman, Franklin Payne, Joanne Traxler and Diane Ford – Township Auditors, Dave Angelo – Chief of Police Cherry Tree Borough

Meeting Called to Order: William Burba called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comment (Limited to Agenda Items): None

Request to be on Agenda: None

Correspondence: Received thank you letters from ICCAP, Home Nursing Agency and VNA for donations. Received a letter from Citizens' Ambulance asking for support towards their membership campaign.

Minutes: Ed motioned to accept the Reorganization Meeting and the Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes for January, second Kevin, carried.

Amended December 2021 Treasury Report: Ed motioned to accept the Amended Report, Second Kevin, carried.

Treasury Report: Ed motioned to approve the January Treasury Report, second Kevin, carried.

Payment of Bills: Kevin motioned to pay the bills, second Ed, carried.

Old Business:

Advertise for Bids for the Hazelet Road Culvert Project: Bill made the motion to advertise for bids for the culvert project, second Ed, carried.

New Business:

2021 Annual Audit and Financial Report: The report was presented to the Board of Supervisors by Diane Ford, Chairman of the Auditors. Ed motioned to accept the Report, Second Kevin, carried.

Auditor's Reorganization Meeting Minutes: Diane Ford, Chairman of the Auditors, presented the meeting minutes to the Board of Supervisors.

Final Rules for the American Rescue Plan Fund: Allows townships to elect to take a standard allowance up to \$10 Million Dollars to spend on General Government Services. The money cannot be used for, 1. Any purchases made prior to March 03, 2021. 2. Funds cannot be deposited into pension plans. 3. Funds cannot be transferred into Financial Reserve or rainy-day funds. 4. Funds cannot be used for payments of interest or principal on loans or on fees or costs of new debt. 5. Funds cannot be used to satisfy settlement or judgements. And 6. Funds cannot be used to

undermine COVID-19 mitigation practices that follow Centers for Disease Control Guidance.

Employee Pay Raises: Bill motioned to increase the wages of the CDL Drivers from \$13.75 to \$14.50 an hour beginning on the next pay period, second Ed, carried. Bill motioned to increase the Laborers Wage to \$13.00 an hour beginning with the next pay period, second Ed, carried.

Police Report: Dave read the police report for January. Officer's hours have decreased which is normal for this time of year. There have not been any acceptable applications for the police officer position. Officer Airgood has resigned due to finding full-time employment. There had been one call for an injured animal. Total of 9.5 hours of service at \$30.00 per hour for a total of \$285.00. The Police have moved and the Police Station address is now 71 South Main Street, Cherry Tree, PA 15724

Announcements:

Food Pick Up: Pick up had been Tuesday, February 08, 2022 and the next one will be on Tuesday, March 08, 2022.

Next Meeting – Wednesday, March 09, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. at the Township Building, 1220 Cush Creek Road, Cherry Tree, PA 15724.

2022 Recycling Dates – The dates for the 2022 season will be as follows: March 05, April 02, April 30, June 04, August 06, October 01 and November 10. Please note that April has two scheduled pickup dates this year and there will be no pickup for May, July or September.

Public Comment: None

Adjournment: Kevin motioned to adjourn the meeting, second Bill, carried.

Respectfully Submitted,
Paula Burba



Secretary/Treasurer