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MINUTES OF DECEMBER 13, 2023

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 P.M. by Chairman, Dan K. Hogeland commencing with the Pledge to the Flag.

Present: Dan K. Hogeland, Chairman
Eric J. Weidman, V. Chairman
Scott D. Moyer, Supervisor
John D. Enck, Solicitor
Lorie J. Kupp, Sec./Treas.
Chief Hostetter

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Scott Harper, 221 W Park St. was present regarding Memorial Park. He commented on the memorials that were moved when the trees were removed. He feels that they should be put back to their original place regardless of if there is a tree there. Moyer explained that at the time it seemed like the best decision to place the monuments with other trees in the park or on their own. Harper asked that the Board consider moving the monuments back to their original resting place.

REPORTS OF ORGANIZATIONS:

Planning & Zoning Commission – minutes were received. Mike Landis, 4 Treeline Dr. was present to discuss the solar energy ordinance. He was recently denied a permit to have solar panels installed on his roof.

Newmanstown Water Authority – minutes were received.

MRJA – minutes and financial statements were received.

Greater Lebanon Refuse Authority – reports received.

Police Activity report was received.

MINUTES: Motion by Weidman to accept the minutes as printed. Seconded by Moyer. All aye, motion carried.

OPENING OF BIDS: Dump Truck – Bids through Municibid were reviewed. **Motion by Moyer to accept the bid of \$5,900 for the 1997 International Dump truck. Seconded by Weidman. All aye, motion carried.** Hostetter will contact successful bidder to set up payment and pick up.

SOLICITOR:

Zoning – Solar permit application and denial for Mike Landis was discussed. The language in this section is not clear. Solicitor explained that the Municipalities Planning Code which

governs zoning matters, requires that the Zoning Officer applies the literal terms of the Zoning Ordinance when reviewing a permit application. The Zoning Hearing Board will interpret the ordinance and then makes a decision. Solicitor suggested that they should go before the Zoning Hearing Board.

Unpaid mowing bills – Solicitor reported on his research. A letter was sent to 124 N. Sheridan Rd. and received the certified mail card signed by Mr. Usner. He also found that a will was not filed for 221 E. Park St. so he will be sending the notice to her last known address.

Junkyard – Solicitor reported he spoke to Mr. Arias's attorney who said that he is working with the Lombardo estate attorney on a good agreement, the first one was hand written.

Comcast Franchise fee – Solicitor reported on the status of the franchise agreement. He has a conference call scheduled for Friday.

ACTION:

Secretary presented the proposed budget for 2024 to the Board for their final consideration.

Motion by Hogeland to adopt Resolution #12-13-23 pertaining to the 2024 budget. Seconded by Weidman. All aye, motion carried.

Hydrant Tax Resolution #12-13-23 A was presented to the Board for consideration. **Motion by Weidman to adopt Resolution #12-13-23 A pertaining to the Fire Hydrant Tax rate. Seconded by Hogeland. All aye, motion carried.** *.05 mills for 2024*

Resolution 12-13-23 B Street Light Tax rate was presented to the Board for their consideration. Rates \$.77 developed & \$.19 undeveloped for 2024. **Motion by Hogeland to adopt Resolution #12-13-23 B which is the Street Light Tax. Seconded by Weidman. All aye, motion carried.** Rates were *raised .14 developed & .04 undeveloped*

Tax Levy Resolution was reviewed. **Motion by Moyer to adopt Resolution #12-13-23 C, setting our real estate tax rate at 1.33 mills. Seconded by Hogeland. All aye, motion carried.**

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

CD rates – Secretary reported on research into CD rates and what documentation will be required when purchasing one. Since we have a new Supervisor coming in, we will wait till 2024.

Road crew job opening – Moyer reported on the recent interviews, and informed those present that he will be doing one more. The POP Cafeteria plan was questioned should the new employee waive health insurance. Current plan is \$100 per week. To increase that we would need to adopt a new plan with the insurance company.

NEW BUSINESS:

Christmas tree pick up set for Jan. 2nd – the 22nd weather permitting.

PLGIT transfers discussed. \$15,000 Police fund, \$7,500 Road fund & \$1,000 Community Lights.
Motion by Weidman to transfer \$23,500 to the PLGIT funds as outlined in the 2023 budget.
Seconded by Moyer. All aye, motion carried.

Petty Cash – **Motion by Weidman to transfer \$600 into Petty cash. Seconded by Hogeland.**
All aye, motion carried.

ROAD FOREMAN REPORT: Risser reported on recent activity, and discussed possible paving projects in 2024.

BILLS/TREASURERS REPORT:

Motion by Hogeland to accept the Treasurers report and pay the bills as money is available.
Seconded by Weidman. All aye, motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Hogeland to adjourn the meeting at 8:29 P.M. Seconded by Moyer. All aye, motion carried.

WITNESS:

Lorie J. Kupp, Secretary

Dan K. Hogeland, Chairman