

Hamiltonban Township
23 Carrolls Tract Road, Fairfield, PA 17320
Board of Supervisors Budget Workshop
October 17, 2018

At 6:00 PM Chairman Deardorff called the meeting to order. He announced that the meeting is being recorded for the sole purpose as a review aid in compiling the written minutes.

Supervisors Present: Chairman J. Edward Deardorff, Robert L. Gordon, David B. Martin, LuAnn M. Dille and Douglas Woerner.

Staff Present: Secretary/Treasurer Nina Garretson.

Public Present: Cliff Frost and Sherry Frost. Colleen Reamer arrived at 6:55 pm.

Public Comment: None.

Township Business: The following Township business was discussed:

Chairman Deardorff stated C.E. Williams wants reimbursed for bond fees of \$350.00 for their bids on Gum Springs Road and the intersection of Route 116 and Bullfrog Road. The Board agreed to pay this, since the project was cancelled, and to put out for advertized bids next year.

Chairman Deardorff requested approval for ordering anti-skid from New Enterprise Stone & Lime (NESL), as he said the quality from Specialty Granules Inc. (SGI) clogs the spreader because it is not washed, and freezes fast. Also unsure if it is PennDOT approved. The Township was not aware of this when bids were received. Further discussion regarding bids as #R5 stone is being purchased from NESL because SGI does not make this size, and PennDOT regulations call for an 18". Board instructed Secretary to make sure NESL is a CoStars vendor, and to make sure we are receiving CoStars pricing. They also requested the Solicitor be consulted regarding the stone and anti-skid orders, and an update on the 810 Cold Springs Road Agreement.

Supervisor Dille motioned to ask Solicitor if stone bid awarded to SGI, but they cannot provide, and purchased according to PennDOT Specs, can the Township order from another supplier. Supervisor Gordon seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Supervisor Gordon motioned to approve the anti-skid order from NESL contingent that they are a CoStars vendor. Chairman Deardorff seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Deardorff reported that SGI is making their entrance single in conjunction with their Route 16 project. Suggested SGI do a test strip of blacktop up to Fountaindale Fire Department. SGI will also do safety lighting in the area up to Fountaindale Fire Department. He reported that the Road Department is done with the excavator for storm repairs on Mt. Hope Road. They will be installing gabion stone up Cold Springs, and next will call PA One Call to complete stormwater work on Bullfrog Road. The Road Department will do an in house patch and compaction of blacktop on Mt. Hope at Camp Eder. He said the Low Volume Road Grant has been approved for Hickory Bridge Road.

Supervisor Gordon requested approval from the Board, if he could follow up on the SGI Dissolution. What happens fifty or more years from now if the plant closes. Board felt the Township could not bear

cost and best to let property go to Michaux State Forest for recreational purposes. Supervisor Gordon will contact Department of Environmental Protection and bring information back to the Board.

Supervisor Gordon motioned to have the Solicitor follow up on the complaint received from 4952 Fairfield Road regarding stormwater, which were addressed with comments and recommendations by Township Engineer Wm. F. Hill letter for the owners of Town Center, and give them 30 days to respond. Supervisor Dille seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Discussion started with Sewer Fund, which the change made in Solicitor fees from previous meeting. Board is satisfied with the draft Sewer Fund Budget as presented.

State Liquid Fuels (SLF) which now includes retained funds. Supervisor Dille said the Township can make two payments on the PIB Loan (Reeds Bridge) as the amortization schedule had changed. Or discussion whether to use funds in SLF to purchase wheel loader. Chairman Deardorff said Roadmaster is getting more quotes and feels a used model will cost around \$35,000 to \$40,000. It was decided to table decision until more information is obtained.

Supervisor Gordon asked that an addition be made to the Capital Improvements Budget for 2021 item b. 31 Carrolls Tract Road driveway stormwater issue. This cost could be split with the Liberty Worship Center.

The proposed General Fund Budget is showing a \$118,000 deficit. This is primarily due to including a \$65,000 wheel loader and the new CDL Driver. The Board said the priority should be given the Road Department position. This budget also includes funding for codification of ordinances, new cameras at the 4020 Shop and rentals of equipment including paver, roller, boom mower and boom lift. A 3% raise for all employees was included. It was decided to table decision on changes until more information can be obtained. Supervisor Dille told the Board the Secretary has contacted all consultants for rates for 2019 and most have been received. The Board will discuss the draft budgets more at their October 25th workshop meeting, so that hopefully with more information received they can proceed with advertizing and final approval at December Board meeting.

At 7:12 PM Vice-Chairman Woerner motioned to adjourn, seconded by Supervisor Dille, the Board of Supervisors unanimously approved to adjourn the workshop.

The Board convened and went into Executive Session to discuss a contract issue.

The Board will have an Executive Session prior to the next Board of Supervisors Workshop meeting on October 25, 2018 at the local prevailing time of 7:00 PM.

Nina Garretson, Secretary/Treasurer

J. Edward Deardorff, Chairman