

ATHENS TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS
Regular Meeting 5 PM December 15, 2021

Chairwoman Tressa Heffron called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM. Supervisors also present were Kirstie Lake, Susan Seck, and Alan Burgess. Solicitor John Thompson and Secretary Michelle Rude were also in attendance. Tressa led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance. Christine Vough arrived right after the pledge.

Solicitor John Thompson opened the bid from Bishop Brothers for the Tutelow Creek Culvert repair project. He deemed all paperwork to be in order and Tressa reviewed it as well. This was the only packet received for the project. On motion of Tressa, second by Alan, motion passed to accept Bishop Brother's bid of \$73,750.

Voice of the Residents: None

Parks Commission: None (No meeting in Dec.)

On motion of Kirstie, second by Alan, it was unanimous to adopt RESOLUTION 2021-12 setting amount of contribution to ATVFC at \$90,000 for 2022.

On motion of Kirstie, second by Tressa, it was unanimous to adopt RESOLUTION 2021-13 keeping the millage at 12 mills for 2022.

On motion of Christine, second by Kirstie, it was unanimous to adopt RESOLUTION 2021-14 adopting the budget for 2022 at \$4,851,371.

On motion of Kirstie, second by Christine, it was unanimous to adopt RESOLUTION 2021-15 eliminating employee contributions to Police Pension Plan and the Non-Uniform Defined Benefit Plan for 2022.

On motion of Alan, second by Kirstie, it was unanimous to approve transferring \$148,484 from the Act 13 Fund to the General Fund per the 2021 Budget.

On motion of Kirstie, second by Tressa, it was unanimous to approve Ruth and Michelle attending the PSATS HR & Labor Management Institute full-day virtual training 1/12/22.

On motion of Kirstie, second by Alan, it was unanimous to approve Edmund Reid's PAFPM membership renewal for \$50.

On motion of Kirstie, second by Alan, it was unanimous to approve meeting dates and times to be advertised on 12/17 for the 2022 calendar year.

The Board agreed to hold a special meeting to meet with the Pension Board to discuss asset reallocation for both pension plans on Jan. 10th at 5 pm.

On motion of Kirstie, second by Susan, it was unanimous to pay the monthly bills as presented. A complete listing of revenues and expenditures is on file in the office of the Treasurer.

On motion of Kirstie, second by Tressa, it was unanimous to approve the minutes of November 17th, 2021 as presented. Alan abstained as he was not in attendance.

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On motion of Kirstie, second by Tressa, it was unanimous to accept the monthly reports as presented.

On motion of Kirstie, second by Tressa, it was unanimous to accept Keith Stackhouse's resignation letter effective Dec. 31, 2021.

On motion of Tressa, second by Alan, it was unanimous to add agenda item "approve the hiring of Nate Wiles to do our weather reports at the flat rate of \$1,200 for the upcoming winter season."

On motion of Susan, second by Alan, it was unanimous to approve the hiring of Nate Wiles to do our weather reports at the flat rate of \$1,200 for the upcoming winter season.

Chairwoman Heffron took the Board into executive session at 5:25 PM for personnel and pending litigation. The regular meeting reconvened at 6:26 PM.

On motion of Tressa, second by Kirstie, it was unanimous to add reappointment ratifications, authorization to pay attorney fees for the RPH right-of-way purchase, and adjusting John Fedorchak's leave to the agenda.

On motion of Tressa, second by Kirstie, it was unanimous to ratify the reappointment of the following:

- 1) George Crowell to the Parks Commission effective July 1st, 2021
- 2) William Bresser to the Zoning Hearing Board effective Sept. 9th, 2021
- 3) Ronal Reagan to Planning Commission effective Oct. 30th, 2021

On motion of Tressa, second by Kirstie, it was unanimous to authorize Ruth to pay the attorney fees for the Robert Packer Hospital right-of-way purchase.

On motion of Kirstie, second by Tressa, motion passed to authorize Ruth to make the appropriate adjustments to correct John Fedorchak's leave days.

There being no further business, on motion of Alan, second by Tressa, it was unanimous to adjourn the meeting at 6:36 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle A. Rude
Athens Township Administrative Secretary