

Barrett Township Supervisors
December 9, 2009

A regular meeting of the Barrett Township Board of Supervisors was held on Wednesday, December 9, 2009 at the Barrett Township Municipal Building on Rte. 390 in Mountainhome, Pa. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman, Phil Dente.

Present: Phil Dente, Jim Siglin, Rick Scrudato, John Seese, Art Gray, Cheryl Howard, Jeryl Rinehart, Steve Williams and the public.

There was no public comment on the agenda items.

The minutes of the November 24, 2009 meeting were received. On a motion made by Phil Dente, seconded by Jim Siglin and carried, the minutes were approved as received.

Rick Scrudato made a motion to approve payment of the bills from the General Fund in the amount of \$20,867.72, the LST/EMS Fund in the amount of \$2,252.60 and \$4,279.00. The motion was seconded by Phil Dente and carried.

The S.E.O. report was read. On a motion made by Phil Dente, seconded by Art Gray and carried, the report was accepted as read.

The Roadmaster's Report was read. On a motion made by Phil Dente, seconded by Jim Siglin and carried, the report was accepted as read.

It was noted there were no Planning Commission minutes as there was no meeting.

Phil Dente reported that the Sesquicentennial Committee was working on the final event which was a dinner at Pocono Manor on December 31, 2009.

It was noted that the public hearing for the final adoption of the 2010 budget would be held on Tuesday, December 22, 2009 at 9:30 a.m. It was also noted this would be the final meeting of the year.

Rick Scrudato reported that the township would not find out about the gaming grant monies until February 2010.

Phil Dente made a motion to advertise for the sign ordinance and to hold a public hearing on January 26, 2010 at 9:30 a.m.

It was noted that the grant money for the ambulance was received and replaced in the TAN account.

Payroll for 12/4/09 in the amount of \$31,380.80 gross wages, \$8,083.35 federal tax liability, \$963.37 state tax liability and \$24,297.38 net wages and mileage for Jeryl Rinehart in the amount of \$40.70 and Mike Garrett in the amount of \$52.80 were presented for approval. Phil Dente made a motion to approve payroll and mileage as presented. The motion was seconded by Rick Scrudato and carried. All supervisors voted aye.

It was noted that the DARE grant in the amount of \$1,107.00 was received.

It was noted that it was advertised to appoint an independent Accountant to prepare the annual financial statements and audit for the township. The advertisement ran on November 6, 2009. Phil Dente read resolution 120909 stating that the CPA firm of Kirk Suma would be appointed to do the audit for an amount not to exceed \$4,000.00. Phil Dente made a motion to adopt the resolution as read. The motion was seconded by Rick Scrudato and carried.

It was noted that the re-organization meeting for the Board of Supervisors would be held on Monday, January 4, 2010 at 4:00 p.m.

Chief Williams addressed the board about applying for a grant for \$50,000.00 for a police officer. This would enable the township to hire someone to replace Robert Burns. The cost incurred to have a grant writer prepare the grant would be \$1,000-\$1,500. Discussion followed. John Seese made a motion to approve having a grant writer apply for a \$50,000 grant for a Police Officer as presented. The motion was seconded by Art Gray and carried. All supervisors voted aye.

Patti O'Keefe asked what activity was occurring on the Bestway property. The supervisors reported the work being done was approved on a previous land development plan.

Supervisor Troutman of Paradise Township read a letter concerning minutes of a previous supervisors meeting. It was noted that the minutes in the township meeting noted that Paradise Township accepted a bid for ambulance coverage with PMR when the Barrett Township Ambulance bid was lower. Ms. Troutman wanted to explain the PMR bid was actually the lower bid.

Phil Dente and the other Board members noted that it was a pleasure having Rick Scrudato and Art Gray serve as Supervisors to the township.

As there was no further business or public comment to come before the board, the meeting adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary