

**NEW GARDEN TOWNSHIP
299 STARR ROAD
LANDENBERG, PA 19350
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
NOVEMBER 24, 2014**

Present:

Betty Gordon, Chairman

Stephen Allaband

Richard Ayotte

Randy Geouque

Patrick Little

Spencer J. Address, AICP, Interim Manager

Vince Pompo, Solicitor

Tony Scheivert

Kenny Reed

Jon Martin

Pete Scilla

Richard Gaw, Reporter

A. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Gordon called the meeting to order at 6:36 p.m.

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance to the flag was recited.

C. 1. PERSONS SCHEDULED TO APPEAR BEFORE THE BOARD

a. John Morris – Avondale Fire Company – 2015 Budget Request of \$35,000 computed as follows: \$60,000 salary + \$10,000 related expenses = \$70,000 x 50% NGT. Workers Compensation Insurance is approximately 17%. The annual contract amount is based on call volume. The Fire Company is willing to recognize \$8,000 annually as a credit toward the annual contract amount for fire protection in recognition of the fuel provided by the Township at no charge to the Fire Company. $\$35,000 - \$8,000 = \$27,000$ additional from New Garden Township.

2. PERSONS WHO WISH TO BE RECOGNIZED

No persons requested to be recognized.

D. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Continuation of the 2015 Draft Budget Discussion.

Motion by Mr. Allaband and second by Mr. Little to adopt the preliminary budget. The vote was unanimous to adopt the motion as presented.

Motion by Mr. Little and second by Mr. Ayotte to approve the road inventory proposal from ARRO in an amount not to exceed \$48,000. The vote was unanimous to adopt the motion as presented.

E. NEW BUSINESS

1. Courtyard at the Gardens II – Escrow Release No. 14.

Motion by Mr. Allaband and second by Mr. Ayotte to approve the Courtyard at the Gardens II – Escrow Release No. 14 in the amount of \$93,171.57. The vote was unanimous to adopt the motion as presented.

2. Manager Search Status – The Conditional Appointment of Tony Scheivert was approved subject to favorable completion of a background check.

F. FUNCTIONAL AREA UPDATES

1. Administration.

- a. None

2. Solicitor Updates.

- a. None

3. Treasurer.

- a. Motion by Mr. Little and second by Mr. Geouque to approve the list of disbursements in the amount of \$86,521.77. The vote was unanimous to adopt the motion as presented.

- b. Ratify payment of Listed Paid Bills – None.

G. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

1. None

H. GENERAL DISCUSSION

1. Chairperson Gordon reminded everyone of the Special Meeting of the Board of Supervisors on December 1, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at the Avondale Fire Company meeting room to hear a presentation by Artesian Water Company.

I. EXECUTIVE SESSION(S) HELD OR SCHEDULED

Chairperson Gordon announced the Board will hold an executive session tonight to consider potential litigation.

J. RECESS FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board recessed at 7:05 p.m.

K. RECONVENE THE REGULAR MEETING

The Board reconvened at 7:38 p.m.

Chairperson Gordon announced that an executive session was held this evening to consider potential litigation.

L. OTHER BUSINESS

1. Solicitor Pompo explained the Artesian PUC application and the 12/1 deadline for filing objections with the PUC.

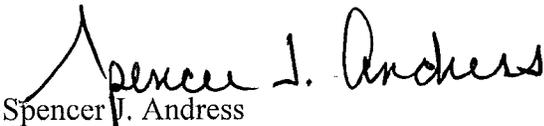
Motion by Mr. Allaband and second by Mr. Little to authorize filing a protest with PUC regarding Artesian. The vote was unanimous to adopt the motion as presented.

M. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mr. Allaband and second by Mr. Little to adjourn the meeting at 9:07 p.m. The vote was unanimous to adopt the motion as presented.

Chairperson Gordon announced that the next regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors will be Monday, December 15, 2014 starting at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Spencer J. Andress
Assistant Township Secretary

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