

## Patterson Township Board of Commissioners

### Agenda (Pre) Meeting

**Thursday, October 8, 2015**

<b>Attendants:</b>	<b>Commissioner Policaro</b>	<b>Commissioner Bradow</b>
	<b>Commissioner Inman</b>	<b>Commissioner Mahosky</b>
	<b>Assistant Chief Stanislawski</b>	<b>Secretary Wagoner</b>
<b>Absent:</b>	<b>Commissioner Hoover</b>	

#### **Items discussed:**

- Mr. Policaro called on Mr. Inman, indicating various items for discussion. Upon attendance at the Fall Conference of the Allegheny County and Western PA Association of Township Commissioners, Mr. Inman distributed a written report of what he learned. He provided a verbal report pointing out the following:

Legislature determines what local governments can and cannot regulate on firearms. Act 192 leaves the authority up to the General Assembly. Township Ordinance does not supersede these regulations.

Addressed the new Child Protective Services Law. Question on whether the Township Police Officers are trained. Assistant Chief Stanislawski provided the points under the Child Protective Act in that there is mandatory reporting to the "Child Line". Child Line notifies the appropriate Police Department to follow-up on. Mr. Inman noted that the law requires police officers are obligated to report; and failure to do so is a second degree felony. AC Stanislawski will follow-up on this item under the law. As the Township Fire Department has a Jr. Fire Fighter program, all of the Fire Department members need this clearance.

Mr. Inman noted a session on Health Care. He advised that new contracts (collective bargaining) should contain language addressing the Cadillac tax. Information was provided that 80% of municipalities' health care plans will be a Cadillac plan by the year 2020.

A session was held on the unmanned aircraft (i.e. drones). If over 55 pounds, they are regulated by the FAA. Smaller drones have become a problem. Assistant Chief Stanislawski provided an example of a drone

that was in the area of 12<sup>th</sup> Street and reported to the police. The Township has no regulations in place to address this upcoming problem. Mr. Inman also provided an example.

Mr. Inman advised of the increasing use of mini cell towers, of which have been ruled as public utilities; therefore, can be placed anywhere without zoning regulations.

New technology has allowed municipalities to broadcast meetings via Google +. A webcam and computer was used during the demonstration.

Act 164 of 2014 requires local Tax Collectors to acquire 6 hours of continuing education to hold the position. Proof of certification must be filed with the Township Secretary by November 15<sup>th</sup> each year. Mr. Inman noted the regulations also address if the Tax Collector does not comply. The Board of Commissioners must declare the office vacant. The Secretary will check with Joann to determine compliance.

- Mr. Inman provided an update on the installation of the new salt shed, which has been completed. He recommended putting in a concrete floor in the 30 ft. x 40 ft. building including a threshold. The specifications for proposals obtained included 8” thickness. Those providing a quote were: Sam Aloï - \$11,400.00; Russell Reed - \$16,250.00; and Tate & Sons - \$10,200.00. Discussion was held on sealant once concrete is poured to protect it from the salt erosion. Will be presented at the regular meeting for action to be taken.
- Mr. Inman advised of being notified that the Act 101 grants have been announced and the Secretary plans to complete an application for a new leaf machine. The current machine has been inspected (for safety reasons) and is ready to go.
- Mr. Mahosky noted the status of the budget for fire expenses. The reason is the request for new tires in the amount of \$1,300.00. Will be bringing up at regular meeting for approval.
- Mr. Mahosky advised of the need to remove the AC unit over the truck garage at the Fire Department, since the roof is leaking. The unit is not in operation and hasn’t been for years. The solution is to remove from the roof and patch the hole.

- Mr. Mahosky provided a report on his attendance to the BV Regional COG's dinner Symposium, of which the topic was MS4 regulations (stormwater). It was noted that some of the municipalities have done nothing yet. Patterson Township has and continues to work with LSSE to comply.
- Mr. Bradow advised that the Personnel Policy will be submitted for approval during his report at the regular meeting.
- Mr. Bradow also mentioned the proposed amendment to the Street Opening Ordinance, whereby expanding the area for repaving is being proposed. Mr. Policaro questioned whether the Township was going to run into a problem with expanding to 25 ft. for repaving. Additional discussion will be held with the Township Engineer / Solicitor.
- Prior to ending the meeting, the Secretary noted that she had a couple of items. Housekeeping issues at the Municipal Complex include cleaning the carpets, the windows are in need of washing and the Soliciting Ordinance fees were never changed. Mr. Policaro suggested getting a proposal on cleaning windows inside and out. The Soliciting fees are currently \$25.00 a company. AC Stanislawski had recommended last year changing to \$100.00. Additional discussion will be held at the regular meeting.
- Mrs. Wagoner advised that the house on 20<sup>th</sup> Street Extension (that was to be condemned) changed ownership and Mr. Morrow is contacting the new owner to get his intentions for this property.
- Mr. Inman advised of a problem in the area of Meier Lane and 7<sup>th</sup> Street, whereby there is an unnamed alley that is blocked by a resident. Piles of gravel and equipment are on the alley. Mr. Inman advised that he was going to recommend naming this alley after Mr. Bradow once it is cleared.

**END OF MEETING**

