

Patterson Township Board of Commissioners

Reorganization Meeting

Monday, January 4, 2016

The Patterson Township Board of Commissioners held their Reorganization Meeting on Monday, January 4, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. at the Municipal Complex, 1600 19th Avenue. Mr. Policaro called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call indicated Commissioners Policaro, Inman, and Mahosky present. Commissioners Bradow and Hoover were absent.

It was noted that the Certificates of Election and Oaths of Office for Mr. Mahosky and Mr. Policaro were submitted to the Township office and will be on file. As the first order of business is to elect the officers, Mr. Policaro called on Mrs. Wagoner to act as the temporary chair.

Mrs. Wagoner requested nominations for President of the Board. Mr. Inman nominated Mr. Policaro as President of the Board. Seconded by Mr. Mahosky. Requesting any other nominations, motion was made by Mr. Inman to close the nominations. Seconded by Mr. Mahosky, the motion passed unanimous on a roll call vote. Mr. Policaro will serve 2016-2017 as President.

Mrs. Wagoner requested nominations for Vice-President of the Board. Mr. Mahosky nominated Mr. Inman as Vice-President of the Board. Seconded by Mr. Policaro. Requesting any other nominations, motion was made by Mr. Mahosky to close nominations. Seconded by Mr. Policaro, the motion passed unanimous on a roll call vote. Mr. Inman will serve as 2016-2017 as Vice-President.

The meeting was then turned over to Mr. Policaro to preside. Resolution #2016-001 was presented, establishing the monthly meeting schedule, spending policy, and the Committee assignments. Discussion was held on the Thursday schedule, of which seems to be a popular night for other meetings. Mr. Mahosky suggested Wednesdays instead; however, all agreed additional thought and discussion needs to be held prior to making this adjustment in the meeting schedule. The second Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m. will remain as the regular meeting night, along with the pre (agenda) meeting being held at 6:00 p.m. prior to. The spending policy is currently at \$1,000.00 per Commissioner. Mr. Inman suggested raising to \$1,500.00 since it has been \$1,000.00 for many years. Repairs to trucks and/or equipment sometimes exceeds the \$1,000.00 limit. Mr. Mahosky recommended the policy be increased to \$2,000.00 per Commissioner (Department). A motion was made by Mr. Inman; seconded by Mr. Mahosky increasing the policy to \$2,000.00, of which allows the Commissioner in charge of their appropriate department to spend up to \$2,000.00 without the entire Board's approval. Passed unanimous.

Mr. Policaro advised of the following Committee assignments:

Police / Township Office	-	Mr. Policaro
Public Works	-	Mr. Inman
Fire	-	Mr. Hoover
Parks/Recreation	-	Mr. Mahosky
Ordinances/Policies	-	Mr. Bradow
Buildings/Grounds	-	Mr. Bradow / Alternate: Mr. Mahosky
Finance	-	Mr. Mahosky
Council of Governments	-	Mr. Policaro / Alternates: Mr. Mahosky Mr. Inman

Motion was made by Mr. Mahosky; seconded by Mr. Inman adopting Resolution 2016-001 setting the meetings; spending policy; and Committee assignments as outlined above. Passed unanimous on a roll call vote.

The list of reappointments was presented as follows:

Township Secretary	-	Paula J. Wagoner	(2 year)
Township Treasurer	-	Paula J. Wagoner	(2 year)
Assistant Treasurer	-	Tina L. Seery	(2 year)
Solicitor	-	Bowers & Fawcett	(2 year)
Engineer	-	Lennon, Smith, Souleret	(2 year)
Depository	-	Wesbanco	(2 year)
Code Enforcement	-	Randy Morrow	(2 year)
Zoning Hearing Board	-	Ronald Main	(3 year)
Civil Service Commission	-	Henry Mahosky, Jr.	(6 year)
Municipal Authority	-	William Bonomo	(5 year)
		Bert Robinson	(5 year)
Zoning Officer	-	Greg DeLuca	(2 year)

Motion was made by Mr. Inman; seconded by Mr. Mahosky approving the list of reappointments for the various Committees/Boards/Officials. Motion passed unanimous.

It was noted that there are still vacancies to fill. With the resignation of William Livingston as Emergency Management Coordinator, it is imperative to find a replacement. Mr. Inman is certified and is willing to fill in, as needed. Suggestions for this position will be pursued. Additional openings include the Vacancy Board and one on the Planning Commission. These openings will also be pursued to fill.

End of Reorganization Meeting

General Business followed with presentation of the minutes of the Year-end Meeting held on Wednesday, December 30, 2016. Motion was made by Mr. Inman; seconded by Mr. Mahosky approving as presented. Passed unanimous.

Public Comment: None

Engineer's Report: None

Solicitor's Report: Attorney Sherri Hurst was in attendance; however, had no report.

Committee Reports: Fire – Mr. Mahosky wanted to bring the Board up-to-date on the appeal to Travelers for the denial of the water damage claim. The Claim Adjuster (Kristen) is going to revisit and hopefully overturn her original denial. Mr. Mahosky is aware that the work Servepro did and documentation was sent to her for review. She is scheduled to return on January 12, 2016. Mr. Mahosky recommended shopping for insurance in light of what has happened with Travelers. The Secretary reminded the Board that Travelers is municipal coverage and that all Insurance Companies don't offer municipal insurance; however, she will solicit for insurance proposals prior to the renewal for 2017. Charles Leach Agency is the Township's present agent. Cost savings and coverage has always been the focus.

Public Works – Mr. Inman provided a report regarding the invoice received from the City of Beaver Falls for the road construction (paving) of 18th Avenue from 15th Street to 17th Street (billed the Township \$49,439.76). He noted that Steve Johnson, City Manager did call the Mrs. Wagoner back indicating the invoice was incorrect and a new one will be sent out. In order to have an idea of what to expect as a revised invoice, Mr. Inman viewed the road, looked at the maps, and did some measurements. His calculation revealed Patterson Township's share would be 422 ft. or 38.2% of the total cost of \$44,352, provided by Youngblood Paving. His estimate is approximately \$17,000.00.

Mr. Inman presented a piece of history noting that 40 years ago, the Patterson Township Police Department was established. He showed a picture of the first police force of which he was the Police Commissioner at the time. Bill Livingston was also in the picture.

The fourth quarter Joint Sewer Users invoice was received in the amount of \$70,801.00. Motion was made by Mr. Inman; seconded by Mr. Mahosky approving payment. Passed unanimous.

It was noteworthy that Patterson Township will celebrate its "175" anniversary this year (formed in 1841). Some sort of celebration should take place.

Prior to adjournment, discussion was held on whether to have a January meeting. Since it would be next week (2nd Thursday) and general business was discussed at this meeting, no meeting will be held. Motion was made by Mr. Inman; seconded by Mr. Mahosky approving February 11, 2016 as the next meeting. Passed unanimous.

There being no further business to be brought before the Board, motion was made by Mr. Inman to adjourn. Seconded by Mr. Mahosky the meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Paula J. Wagoner, Secretary

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