Patterson Township Board of Commissioners

Agenda (Pre) Meeting

August 10, 2017

Attendants:

Commissioner Policaro Commissioner Inman Police Chief David Stanislawski Fire Chief Phil Graeser Rebecca Keller, Secretary Commissioner Bradow Commissioner Mahosky Assistant Chief Nick Bathgate Ken Fawcett, Solicitor

Items discussed:

Mr. Policaro is in receipt of the Federal Emergency Management Agency. It was requested a copy be made and provided to the Solicitor and Commissioners.

Mr. Policaro is in receipt of the 2020 Census application. It was requested if anyone would like to take the lead role in the 2020 Census to see the Township Secretary. Our participation is not required; a form will need to be completed. If no volunteers are interested in completing the Census we will check the block "insufficient staff" on the application and return it.

Mr. Policaro stated Patterson Heights representatives were invited to attend the meeting this evening. Patterson Heights is interested in a merger with Patterson Township; Mr. Policaro stated they currently have a lot of debt, \$324,388.00 owed to the State for their road program and their sewer loan through PNC is \$187,392.06. If we would merge with Patterson Heights we would assume these debts. Mr. Mahosky stated perhaps they would be interested in purchasing our police and fire services. Mr. Policaro advised the Fire Departments are currently negotiating and we have offered them our police services. Mr. Mahosky requested a letter to be sent to Patterson Height stating we are not interested in merging at this time and offer our fire and police services. Mr. Policaro again advised the fire departments are already in the process of merging and for the police service, Mr. Policaro has already made Patterson Heights aware. Mr. Mahosky again requested something be sent in writing.

Mr. Policaro stated the Commissioners received a sample resolution in support of a citizen's commission for legislative and congressional redistricting. Mr. Policaro questioned the Board as to how the Board feels regarding this resolution. The Board agreed they would not like to pursue this at this time.

Mr. Policaro requested to review the Substance Abuse Policy. Mrs. Keller questioned page 4 number 4 – consume alcohol for at least 8 hours after a work related accident requiring post-accident drug or alcohol testing. After a lengthy discussion, the Solicitor stated the verbiage will be amended prior to adoption. Assistant Chief Bathgate requested an opportunity for the officers to review the policy prior to passing a resolution.

Mr. Policaro requested to review the \$500.00 donation approved at the last meeting as to what line item in the budget to pay the funding from. It was decided to use line item 452.390.

Mr. Bradow requested a special meeting with the Board to discuss the budget. Mrs. Keller advised there is a meeting scheduled on September 12, 2017 at 5:30pm to address the budget with the Board.

Mr. Policaro questioned Chief Stanislawski on the status of the Civil Service regarding the two potential candidates testing. Chief Stanislawski stated there are no current vacancies; the testing was to ensure we have a current listing if there would be a vacancy.

Mr. Policaro reviewed the current rental agreements for the fire hall. The Solicitor recommended significant changes be made to the rental agreements and questioned the Board as to how much time they would like spent on redrafting the agreements. Due to Commissioner Hoover's absence it was decided to wait until this can be reviewed with him.

Mr. Inman discussed the per capita tax; \$1,077 has been received out of the \$7,700 budget. Calculating from the last federal census, it was calculated we should be receiving approximately \$23,610. It was requested the Township Secretary to reach out to Berkheimer for a list of township residents taxes are being collected from.

The service order authorization from Lennon, Smith, Souleret Engineering, Inc. regarding the donation of property from Mr. Spinnenweber in the amount of \$3,800 to survey and subdivide the property was discussed.

Mr. Inman gave an update on the paving of 11th Street stating it is almost completed. He expressed a concern regarding a resident who has gambian boxes which are sitting on the curbing. Mr. Cipolla spoke with the resident and he agreed to move them.

Mr. Mahosky spoke about replacing the roofing on the shelter at the park with metal roofing. A bid of \$2,725.00 was discussed. Mr. Mahosky stated the structure is sound and the roof would provide many years of life to the shelter. He recommended taking the funding from line item 452.310.

Mr. Mahosky requested the police department to look into some type of grant for purchasing and installing cameras. Chief Stanislawski stated they were looking at potentially pursuing a grant to have cameras placed at 4th Street, 8th Street, 11th Street, and Steffin Hill and will look

into including the park and other potential places. Chief Stanislawski requested a meeting to discuss potential camera placement.

Mr. Graeser presented bills requesting to be paid stating they were approved by Commissioner Hoover. He also provided bids for the refurbishment of the pumper truck; one for \$180,519.92 and the second for \$164,211.76. Mr. Graeser stated he cannot receive a bid for a new truck as you have to sign a contract and enter into an agreement. Mr. Inman stated this project has to be sent out as an advertised bid. Mr. Graeser stated the fire department would like to pay for this out of the fire truck fund also stating the refurbishment would add another fifteen years of life to the truck.

End of Meeting