

Patterson Township Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
December 10, 2020

The Patterson Township Board of Commissioners held their regular meeting on Thursday, December 10, 2020 at 7:00 pm held via Video/teleconference. Following the call to order and Pledge of Allegiance, roll call showed the following Commissioners were present; Commissioner Inman, Commissioner DeLuca, Commissioner Hoover, Commissioner Wagoner, and Commissioner Bartoe. All Commissioners were present.

Minutes: The minutes of the meetings held on Thursday November 12, 2020, and Budget meeting on December 2, 202 were presented for approval. Motion was made by Commissioner Wagoner to approve the Meeting minutes from the November 12 regular meeting and the December 2, 2020 budget meeting as presented, seconded by Commissioner Bartoe. Roll call vote; held Pass unanimously.

Public Hearing: None

Public Comment/Visitors: None

Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer's Report for the General Fund, Sewer Fund and PLGIT accounts were presented by Secretary Christin Milnes. A motion was made by Commissioner Hoover; seconded by Commissioner Bartoe accepting the report as presented, after a Roll call vote; Pass unanimously.

Monthly Bills: The monthly bills for November/ December were submitted for payment. Motion was made by Commissioner DeLuca; seconded by Commissioner Hoover approving payment after a Roll call vote; Pass unanimously.

Engineer's Report: *Mr. Larry Lennon, Jr.*, presented his monthly report regarding the following items:

DEP Notification- Municipal Authority will meet in January to finalize plan of moving forward to address the CAP. Beaver Falls Municipal Authority with postpone the meeting of the Joint Sewer users members until all the CAPs are approved for all members. Commissioner Wagoner advised that the Municipal Authority had received estimates from their engineer Ms. Palmer for services related to the CAP. The estimate is \$45,000.00 to install flow meters at all locations. As this is a joint project with the Patterson Township Municipal Authority they are responsible to the DEP to ensure that the CAP is met and completed. Commissioner Wagoner asked the Board to consider using funds from the Sewer Maintenance PLGIT account to cover the costs to install the flow meters. Commissioner DeLuca makes a motion to use Sewer Maintenance PLGIT funds to pay for the costs of the CAP and tasks in the CAP. Seconded by Commissioner Wagoner. Discussion was held. Commissioner DeLuca made a motion to amend the original motion to add the additional language not to exceed \$45,000.00, Seconded by Commissioner Hoover, following a Roll call vote, the amendment to the original motion was passed unanimously. Commissioner Inman requested a Roll call vote on the now amended motions to use Sewer Maintenance PLGIT funds to pay for the costs of the CAP and tasks in the CAP not to exceed \$45,000.00; Pass unanimously.

Brady's Run Sanitary Authority- Engineers have reached out the township as they are currently completing a 537 DEP special study as they are working to install two (2) new pump stations and other pump station upgrade , not action is needed by the Township at this time.

MS4- consideration should be made for budgeting for a portion of the Pollution Reduction should be considered for 2021.

2021 Road Program- Road Review will be completed with the Road commissioner and Public works foreman in December this will be scheduled as a virtual meeting at this time due to COVID 19 restrictions.

CFA Small Water and Sewer Grant- Lindsay Drive: Engineer Lennon advised that he is working to schedule the surveys and anticipates that these should be completed by the January meeting.

Solicitor's Report: *Ken Fawcett provided the following report:*

*Resolution 2020-016;*Attorney Fawcett that he has been working with Police Chief Stanislawski to update the Police Rules and Regulations to ensure that they conform with the most recent Presidential order. Amending the rules and regulations regarding the use of force, including the limitations on the use of deadly force and the requirement that once a person is under control, the amount of force must be terminated. In addition, providing for the affirmative duty to intervene to prevent or stop misconduct of other. All changes are included in Resolution 2020-016. A motion is made by Commissioner Hoover to adopt Resolution 2020-016 to revise the Police Rules and Regulations to conform to the new Presidential Order, seconded by Commissioner Bartoe. Roll call vote; Pass unanimously.

Civil Service Ordinance: Attorney Fawcett advised the Board that he continues to work with Commissioner Hoover to complete the requested updated to the Civil Service Ordinance. He is also continuing to review the State statute to insure there is not conflict with the two documents. He will provide an update at the January meeting.

Committee Reports: Public Safety –

Commissioner Inman presented the following reports:

Police Report– Police Chief Stanislawski submitted his November report for review. No comments or questions were asked.

Commissioner Inman requested a motion to approve the sell back of fifteen (14) days by Police Chief David Stanislawski; a motion was made by Commissioner Wagoner and seconded by commissioner DeLuca after a Roll call vote; Pass unanimously.

Commissioner Bartoe presented the following reports:

Commissioner Bartoe made a motion to approve payment to Patterson Township Fire Department for 17 reports for 83.25 hours totaling \$541.03, seconded by Commissioner DeLuca, after a Roll call vote; Pass unanimously.

Commissioner Bartoe advised the Board that all bank documents have been completed at this time, as such the down payment in the amount of \$170,000.00 to Glick Fire Equipment. A motion was made by Commissioner Bartoe to approve payment in the amount of \$170,000.00 to Glick Fire Equipment for the down payment for the purchase of the 2021 Pierce Enforcer to be paid out of the Fire Capital fund PLGIT account; seconded by Commissioner DeLuca after a Roll call vote; Pass unanimously

Public Works/Building & Grounds/Zoning/Land Use/Refuse/Recycling – Commissioner DeLuca presented the following report:

Zoning Report– Zoning Officer Owen Pella submitted his first Zoning report for review. No comments or questions were asked.

Administration/ Finance/ Recreation and Community Life – Commissioner Wagoner presented the following report:

2021 Budget: Secretary Christin Milnes read the 2nd/final reading of the 2021 budgets for the General fund and Sewer fund. Commissioner Wagoner made a motion to approve the second/final reading of the 2021 budgets as presented; seconded by commissioner DeLuca after a Roll call vote; Pass unanimously

Government Affairs/ COG/ Civil Service – Commissioner Hoover presented the following report:

No report at this time, however Commissioner Hoover advised that Board that he is working to schedule a meeting with a representative from Edward Jones to have all the pension options reviewed. This will be scheduled as a separate meeting to the presentation.

Code Enforcement – November Report provided no comments or questions were asked.

Motion was made by Commissioner Bartoe; seconded by Commissioner Wagoner approving **all** Committee Reports as presented after a Roll call vote; Pass unanimously.

Unfinished Business: None

Township Agencies: None

Communications:

Letter- Joann Ferrazzano- announcing her intent to retire at the end of her term next year. She advised the Board that she does not intend to run for reelection as Tax Collector in 2021. Attorney Fawcett advised the Board that this may be a good time to look at the current compensation schedule for the tax Collector, he will look at the deadlines to make any changes.

Letter- Gary Gache- announcing his resignation from the Patterson Township Municipal Authority due to health issues. Commissioner Wagoner made a motion to accept the resignation of Gary Gache from the Municipal authority with regrets, as he has served on this board for over 30 years, and send him a letter of thanks for his service; seconded by Commissioner DeLuca; after a Roll call vote; Pass unanimously

New/Miscellaneous Business:

Joint Sewer Fund – Commissioner Bartoe made a motion to remit payment to Joint Sewer Users in the amount of \$71,651.84 for the Quarterly payment for services., seconded by Commissioner Wagoner after a Roll call vote; Passed unanimous.

Allegheny League of Municipalities – Commissioner DeLuca made a motion to remit payment to Allegheny League of Municipalities in the amount of \$475.00 for the 2021 dues, seconded by Commissioner Wagoner after a Roll call vote; Passed unanimous.

Year-end meeting: the Year-end meeting will be held virtually on Monday December 21, 2020 at 7p.m.

2019 Audit: 2019 Audit have been received from the Auditor and has been placed in everyone's mailbox.

Executive Session: None

There being no further business to be brought before the Board, motion was made by Commissioner Hoover to adjourn; seconded by Commissioner DeLuca. The meeting adjourned at 7:50p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Christin Lyn Milnes

Copy: Kenneth G. Fawcett, Esq.
Larry Lennon, Jr., P.E.
Board of Commissioners