

West Earl Township Board of Supervisors, 157 West Metzler Road, Brownstown, PA 17508

In Attendance:

Chairman:	John Ford	Manager:	Candie Johnson
Vice Chairman:	Harold Keppley	Police Chief:	Brian Brandt
Member:	Richard Stover		

Members David Thornton and Keith Kauffman were absent.

Call to Order

Chairman Ford called the December 4, 2017 regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

Moved by Vice Chairman Ford, second by Member Stover to approve the November 13, 2017 regular meeting minutes as presented. Motion approved unanimously.

Public Comment/Guests

Holly Holbein, 5 Garland Lane – Ms. Holbein was at the meeting to again discuss noise issues at Mar-Allen Concrete at 490 Millway Road. Ms. Holbein said the noise is still going on. Chief Brandt said he spoke to the Township's attorney and the noise ordinance is not enforceable against businesses only residential properties. He said there would have to be some changes made or language added to the ordinance. Discussion about Mar-Allen being a non-conforming business located in a residential area followed. Chief Brandt will come up with some language to add to the ordinance and will consult with the Township's attorney.

Sylvia Martin, 20 E. Main Street – Mrs. Martin was at the meeting to discuss the proposed sidewalk improvements along East Main Street. Mrs. Martin's asked how the sidewalk improvements would affect property owners who have brick sidewalks. Ms. Johnson said that the brick sidewalk would be restored to its original condition, it would be wider however to make room for the proposed grass beauty strip. Chairman Ford said that the Township was approved for a \$1 million grant from the state but the sidewalk project has become cost prohibitive and is currently in limbo.

New Business

1. **2018 Meeting Dates** – Moved by Chairman Ford, second by Vice Chairman Keppley to approve the 2018 meeting dates. Motion approved unanimously.
2. **2018 Holidays** – Moved by Vice Chairman Keppley, second by Member Stover to approve the 2018 Holidays schedule. Motion approved unanimously.
3. **2018 Halloween Parade** – Moved by Member Stover, second by Member Keppley to allow the use of Township roads for the 2018 Halloween Parade on Thursday, October 25, 2018. Motion approved unanimously.
4. **Den Mar Letter of Credit reduction** – Moved by Vice Chairman Keppley, second by Member Stover to reduce the Den Mar Letter of Credit by \$128,016 leaving a balance of \$14,255. Motion approved unanimously.
5. **Resolution No. 2017-26** – Financing for the Fairmount Homes project through the Paradise Township Sewer Authority. Moved by Member Stover, second by Vice Chairman Keppley to adopt Resolution No. 2017-26. Motion approved unanimously.

6. **Resolution No. 2017-27** – Health in All Policies for the WalkWorks grant. Moved by Vice Chairman Keppley, second by Chairman Ford to table the decision on Resolution No. 2017-27 until all 5 Board members are present. Motion approved unanimously.

Manager's Report

- **Road Department Report** – December report for the Board's review.
- **Zoning Officer Report** – November report for the Board's review.
- **2018 Health Insurance** – Ms. Johnson reported that she researched Capital Blue Cross health insurance but it doesn't appear to be comparable to the Police Department's health insurance plan. Ms. Johnson said she would like the health insurance to remain unchanged in 2018 and will revisit the issue next year when the Police Department contract is negotiated.
- **Next meeting** will be on December 18th.

Payment of Bills

Moved by Member Keppley, second by Member Stover to pay all bills except for the bill from Rettew Associates pending a visit from one of their representatives. Motion approved unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

Moved by Chairman Ford, second by Member Stover to accept the November treasurer's report. Motion approved unanimously.

Supervisors' Comments

Harold Keppley – Vice Chairman Keppley reported that WW1 monument will be discussed at the next school board meeting on Monday, December 11th at 7pm at the CV High School.

Public Comment

Benita Gauthier, 110 Dane Drive – Mrs. Gauthier said she saw three cars parked at a no parking sign in the Creek Hill Development. Discussion followed relating to whether the Police Department can do traffic enforcement in that development because the roads have not been dedicated to the Township.

Adjournment

Moved by Vice Chairman Keppley, second by Member Stover to adjourn the December 4, 2017 regular meeting at 7:56 p.m. Motion approved unanimously.