

MIDDLESEX TOWNSHIP
SUPERVISORS ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING
4 JANUARY 2000

OFFICIALS PRESENT:	SUPERVISORS:	Robert Eppley Chuck Shughart Victor Stabile
	SOLICITOR:	Keith Brenneman
	ENGINEER:	Bud Grove - Absent
	POLICE CHIEF:	Barry Sherman
	ZONING OFFICER:	Mark Carpenter
	SECRETARY:	Mary Justh
	RECREATION:	Debbie Vogel - Absent

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

Robert Eppley called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM in the Municipal Building.
Supervisor Shughart then led the assembly in the pledge to the flag.

ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN AND VICE-CHAIRMAN

Mr. Eppley turned the meeting over to Mr. Brenneman who accepted nominations for chairman. Mr. Stabile moved to nominate Mr. Eppley. Mr. Shughart seconded the motion, the motion carried unanimously. As there were no other nominations, Mr. Brenneman closed the nominations and called for a vote. Mr. Eppley was elected unanimously, after which Mr. Brenneman turned the meeting over to the Chairman who asked for nominations for Vice-chairman. Mr. Stabile nominated Mr. Shughart for Vice-chairman. Mr. Eppley seconded the motion. After determining that there were no other nominations, Mr. Eppley closed the nominations and called for a vote. Mr. Shughart was elected unanimously as Vice-chairman.

The following appointments were approved by motions made, seconded and approved as indicated:

APPOINTMENTS

POSITION	APPOINTEE	MOTION	SECOND	VOTE
Secretary/Treasurer	Mary G. Justh	Shughart	Stabile	unan.
Solicitor (BOS)	Snelbaker, Brenneman & Spare	Shughart	Stabile	unan.
Solicitor (PC)	Snelbaker, Brenneman & Spare	Stabile	Shughart	unan.
Solicitor (ZHB)	Michael Rundle	Shughart	Stabile	unan.
Engineer	Grove Associates	Stabile	Shughart	unan.
Sewage Enforcement Officer	Vince Elbel	Shughart	Stabile	unan.
Zoning Officer	Mark Carpenter	Shughart	Stabile	unan.
Zoning Hearing Board (alt.)	Deferred to January 28 th Meeting			
Zoning Hearing Board (alt)	"			
Planning Commission	"			
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Municipal Authority Member	Dick Gutshall	Stabile	Shughart	unan.
Vacancy Board Member	Mary G. Justh	Stabile	Shughart	unan.
Nominee for Delegate to Tri-state Reg. Plan.	Vic Stabile	Shughart	Eppley	unan.
Depositories for Funds	Commerce Bank York Federal	Shughart	Stabile	unan.

PSATS Voting Delegate	Robert Eppley	Stabile	Shughart	unan.
Delegate to Cumb. Co. Solid Waste Auth.	Chuck Shughart	Stabile	Eppley	unan.
BOS Representative to the Mun. Authority	Vic Stabile	Shughart	Eppley	unan.
Collector for Delinquent 1999 Per Capita Taxes	Gerald Donagher, Central Credit Control	Stabile	Shughart	unan.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution 2000-1 - Mr. Shughart introduced Resolution 2000-1, identifying Robert Eppley and Mary Justh as persons having access to the Township bank deposit box. The resolution was seconded by Mr. Stabile and passed unanimously.

Resolution 2000-2 - Mr. Shughart introduced Resolution 2000-2, identifying all three supervisors as well as the Secretary/Treasurer as signatories for Township funds. The resolution was seconded by Mr. Stabile and passed unanimously.

Resolution 2000-3 - Mr. Stabile introduced Resolution 2000-3, wherein the Township agrees to reduce the required member contribution to the police pension plan from 5% to 4% for 2000. Seconded by Mr. Shughart and passed unanimously.

Resolution 2000-4 - Mr. Stabile introduced Resolution 2000-4, amending the fee schedule for Engineering services and inspection reimbursement for the year 2000. Mr. Shughart seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

ESTABLISHMENT OF SALARIES

On a motion by Mr. Shughart that was seconded by Mr. Stabile and passed unanimously; the Board approved employee salaries as established in the approved Budget for 2000.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On a motion by Mr. Shughart seconded by Mr. Eppley, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of 31 December 1999. Mr. Stabile abstained from voting.

AUTHORIZE PAYMENT OF BILLS

On a motion by Mr. Shughart, seconded by Mr. Stabile and passed unanimously, the Board approved payment of bills represented by the bill list of December, summarized as follows:

General Fund: checks #9578 through #9717, inclusive, for a total of \$49,875.04

Cap Res Equipment: Transfer from GF \$23,000.00 for Police Car

OT Grant #2: Transfer from GF \$1131.00

Sewer Fund: Transfer to GF Payroll #26 \$215.30

Escrow Fund: checks #109 & #110 for \$650.00

Rec Program Fund: Transfer to GF \$4274.00

K-9 Fund: Checks #102 & #103 for \$51.19

Payroll #25 for \$25,452.22

Payroll #26 for \$29,731.94

TAX COLLECTION EXONERATIONS - Mrs. Nancy Sheibley presented the list of exonerations for the 1999 tax year. Mr. Shughart made a motion to exonerate Nancy Sheibley Tax Collector of the 1999 taxes as per the letter of January 4th, 2000. Mr. Stabile seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION – Mr. John Gleim asked what exoneration means. Mr. Shughart explained that we are allowing Mrs. Sheibley to turn the unpaid tax bills over for collection and will no longer be holding her responsible for the unpaid taxes.

Ms. Lyn Renard asked a question concerning the salary under Cultural and Administration. Mrs. Justh explained that this salary was for the Recreation Director, Debbie Vogel. Ms. Renard then asked several questions concerning the police and ticket writing of the part-time officers. Mr. Shughart and Mr. Stabile tried to explain that the budgets for other Townships are much different than Middlesex Township's budget and the percentage of the budget paid for the police represents a portion of that budget. Mr. Shughart suggested that the Supervisors will look into the police department. Chief Barry Sherman gave some statistics on the number of deaths in the Township in an effort to explain the necessity for part-time police writing tickets. Mr. Shughart invited Ms. Renard to see him after the meeting concerning the police coverage.

Mr. Steve Grass questioned the police contract. Mr. Shughart explained where the Township is with regards to the police arbitration. Mr. Yoder asked why we don't use the State Police to patrol the state roads, if other townships use them.

Mr. Steve Grass asked what the percentage of increase was to the Engineers fees. Mrs. Justh explained that it was a \$4.00 and hour increase in engineer fees.

Mr. John Thomas commented on the fact that the police can be seen on all local roads, which he considered to be good.

Chief Sherman explained that if citizens would like to provide neighborhood crime watch groups, the police department can be of assistance in establishing this program.

REPORTS

SOLICITOR: No report.

ENGINEER: No report.

POLICE: Presented by Chief Sherman and ordered to file.

ZONING: Presented by Mark Carpenter and ordered to file. Mr. Carpenter gave a summary of zoning action that he has taken for the month.

MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY: No report.

RECREATION: No report.

FIRE/EMC: Presented by Ed Beam and ordered to file.

SECRETARY: No report.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Shughart made a motion establishing the **Year 2000 Mileage Reimbursement Rate of 32.5 cents Per Mile** following the Federal Guidelines. Mr. Stabile seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Supervisor Stabile made a motion to retain Mr. Robert Eppley as a part-time employee at part-time rates in the highway department under Chief Sherman. According to Solicitor Brenneman this action must still be reviewed by the auditors. Mr. Shughart questioned whether Mr. Eppley would actually be performing work in the highway department. Mr. Shughart reminded everyone that the auditors questioned the work that Mr. Eppley performed in past years. Mr. Stabile asked Chief Sherman how

Mr. Eppley's hours would be recorded. Mr. Stabile asked that Mr. Eppley be treated as any other part-time employee and his hours recorded in the same way. Mr. Eppley seconded that motion. Mr. Shughart voted no, the motion carried. Steve Grass asked if the position needed to be advertised. Mr. Stabile explained that Mr. Eppley is needed to perform Township tasks. Shirley Herman asked what Mr. Eppley's position was in the Township. Mr. Stabile explained that Mr. Eppley's position as Road Master was abolished, because of budgetary cuts. Mr. Shughart explained that he is not opposed to Mr. Eppley performing part-time work for the Township, but Mr. Shughart explained that he was not prepared to vote on it at this time.

Mr. John Gleim asked if the Township considered buying Mr. Ed Beam a car or providing a mileage allowance for Mr. Beam. Mr. Shughart explained that if a police car becomes available, Mr. Shughart would not opposed to supplying Mr. Beam with a car.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 8:15 PM.