

**MIDDLESEX TOWNSHIP
WORKSHOP MEETING
October 25, 2019**

OFFICIALS PRESENT: SUPERVISORS: Chairman Donald S. Geistwhite, Jr.
Vice-Chairman Steve Larson
SOLICITOR: Keith O. Brenneman
DIRECTOR OF
PUBLIC SAFETY: Barry L. Sherman
ZONING OFFICER: Mark D. Carpenter
MANAGER: Eileen M. Gault
RECREATION
DIRECTOR: Denise L. Jumper

OFFICIALS ABSENT: SUPERVISOR: William H. Goodhart
ENGINEER: Bud Grove

Chairman Geistwhite called the meeting to order at 7:30 am in the Middlesex Township Building.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

TOWNSHIP PARK FIELD USAGE: Recreation Director Mrs. Jumper was present to discuss softball organizations utilizing the fields for tournaments. This had been done in the past but there seems to be more of an interest in baseball organizations using the fields. There was a brief discussion of the need to charge field usage fees. On the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Vice-Chairman Larson, it was unanimously agreed to continue to charge \$100.00 for a season per field usage and \$35.00 a day per field usage for all other usage.

TRASH AND RECYCLING RFP: The Township staff met with the Township Solicitor Mr. Brenneman to discuss the proposed RFP and any changes and or trends with trash/recycling hauling. The biggest change will be with recycling. It was also suggested that the tag price cap in the RFP be removed. On the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Vice-Chairman Larson, it was unanimously agreed to authorize to advertise the Trash and Recycling RFP with the suggested changes as discussed.

AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE THE 2020 MEETING NOTICE SCHEDULE: On the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Vice-Chairman Larson, it was unanimously agreed to authorize for advertisement the 2020 Meeting Notice schedule.

PLANNING COMMISSION VACANCY: Mr. Carpenter reported that there is a vacancy on the Planning Commission. There are two people interested in serving on the board. Mr. Wes Beard and Mr. Jason Kelso. On the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Vice-Chairman Larson, it was unanimously agreed to appoint Mr. Wes Beard to the Planning Commission.

AUTHORIZATION TO HIRE TWO FULL-TIME POLICE OFFICERS: Director of Public Safety Chief Sherman suggested the hiring of two full-time police officers to replace one officer that has resigned and one officer that will be retiring. On the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Vice-Chairman Larson, it was unanimously agreed to hire Nicholas

Boehme as a full-time police officer effective January 1, 2020 under the current police contract, on a one (1) year probation period. On the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Vice-Chairman Larson, it was unanimously agreed to hire Jason Kinsler as a full-time police officer effective January 1, 2020 under the current police contract, on a one (1) year probation period. Jason Kinsler must attend and pass the police academy. Mr. Kinsler must also maintain his employment with Middlesex Township Police Department for two years or repay the Township the cost for his expenses to attend the academy should he terminate his employment.

MS4 DISCUSSION: The Township Manager presented a draft of fee ranges for the Supervisors to consider as a rate for impervious coverage. After much discussion the final fee needs to be determined and whether any credits will be given. Further information is needed before the final decisions are made.

REVIEW AND PROPOSED ADOPTION OF 2020 BUDGET: On the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Vice-Chairman Larson, it was unanimously agreed to tentatively adopt the Middlesex Township 2020 budget.

AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE FOR REVIEW THE PROPOSED 2020 BUDGET: On the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Vice-Chairman Larson, it was unanimously agreed to authorize for review the proposed Middlesex Township 2020 budget.

AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE THE 2020 REAL ESTATE TAX RATE AND FOOT FRONTAGE ASSESSMENT FOR LIGHTING IN STREET LIGHT DISTRICT 1 & DISTRICT 2: On the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Vice-Chairman Larson it was unanimously agreed to authorize for advertisement the 2020 Real Estate Tax Rate and Foot Frontage Assessment for lighting in Street Light District 1 & District 2.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: On the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Vice-Chairman Larson, it was unanimously agreed to adjourn at 9:50 a.m. to Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter. The Board reconvened at 10:02 a.m.

On the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Vice-Chairman Larson, it was unanimously agreed to promote Patrolman Michael McGeehan to Corporal effective January 1, 2020.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:04 a.m.