

**MIDDLESEX TOWNSHIP
WORKSHOP MEETING
November 20, 2015**

OFFICIALS PRESENT: **SUPERVISORS:** Chairman Donald S. Geistwhite, Jr.
Vice-Chairman Steve Larson
William H. Goodhart
 SOLICITOR: Keith O. Brenneman
POLICE: Chief Barry L. Sherman
ZONING OFFICER: Mark D. Carpenter
MANAGER: Eileen M. Gault

OFFICIALS ABSENT: **ENGINEER:** Bud Grove

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

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

CUMBERLAND AREA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION – MARY KUNA: Ms. Mary Kuna was present on behalf of the Carlisle Airport to request a letter of support for the approval of a \$2,776,322 Multimodal Transportation Fund (MTF) grant through PennDOT to support improvements to the Carlisle Airport. The funding is being sought to build a terminal building, a new medevac hangar to accommodate Penn State Hershey's Life Lion emergency transport and a corporate hangar for increased business usage at the airport. On the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Vice-Chairman Larson, it was unanimously agreed to submit a letter of support to the Carlisle Airport in their MTF funding request.

AWARD THE PURCHASE OF 2007 DUMP TRUCK TO MR. MARK VANIC: On the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Vice-Chairman Larson, it was unanimously agreed to award the high bid in the amount of \$107,100 for the 2007 Sterling LT9500 Tri-Axle Dump Truck to Mr. Mark Vanic.

AWARD THE PURCHASE OF V-PLOW TO MR. MARK VANIC: On the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Supervisor Goodhart, it was unanimously agreed to award the high bid in the amount of \$2,650 for the Viking Reversible Plow to Mr. Mark Vanic.

GOODMAN LOGISTICS CENTER/MIDDLESEX TOWNSHIP

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT LETTER: Township Solicitor Mr. Brenneman reported that the Goodman Logistic Center development is located at Exit 44 along Allen Road in Carlisle Borough, South Middleton Township and Dickinson Township. On the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Supervisor Goodhart, it was unanimously agreed to authorize execution of the Goodman Logistics Center letter for extension of sewer service under the Intermunicipal Agreement dated January 1, 2014, as amended.

SUNOCO PIPELINE, LP PROJECT: Township Manager Mrs. Gault reported that a letter along with some plans were received for the Sunoco Pipeline, LP Project asking the Township to review the consistency of the Township's Floodplain Management and Stormwater Management. On the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Vice-Chairman Larson, it was unanimously agreed to authorize the Township Manager to execute the letter of consistency for the Sunoco Pipeline, LP Project.

PROPOSED ADOPTION OF 2016 BUDGET: The Township Manager proposed to the Supervisors a balance budget with a slight tax increase that included an increase contribution of \$20,000 to the fire companies that service Middlesex Township. The final assessment increased the tax revenue by approximately \$4,722. After much discussion it was agreed to advertise the budget for review.

AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE FOR REVIEW THE PROPOSED 2016 BUDGET: On the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Supervisor Goodhart, it was unanimously agreed to advertise for review the proposed 2016 budget with a millage of .00153 for final adoption on December 18, 2015.

2016 MEETING SCHEDULE: The Township Manager submitted the 2016 Meeting Schedule which has been reviewed by the Municipal Authority, Planning Commission and the Recreation Director for verification.

Township Solicitor Mr. Brenneman reported that at the Middlesex Township Municipal Authority (MTMA) Meeting, he explained the process by which the amendment to their Articles of Incorporation will result in them to undertake Stormwater matters. The MTMA Board by motion which was approved authorized Mr. Brenneman and the Authority Manager Mr. Morrison to prepare the documentation subject to the Board of Supervisors agreeing or indicating that they are in agreement to that proceeding.

Chief of Police Mr. Sherman reported that he met with MTMA Manager Mr. Morrison to discuss the purchase of a new backhoe. The Municipal Authority currently own one that is often utilized by the Township. Chief Sherman is requesting authorization to co-purchase at a split of 60% for the Township and 40% for the Municipal Authority through Co-Stars a backhoe at the cost of \$95,900. That cost will be reduced once the Municipal Authority sale the current backhoe and that revenue is put towards the new purchase. On the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Chairman Goodhart, it was unanimously agreed to authorize Chief Sherman to co-purchase with the Municipal Authority through Co-Stars at Plasterer Equipment Company a John Deer 310 SL Backhoe at the cost of \$95,900.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: On the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Vice-Chairman Larson, it was unanimously agreed to adjourn at 8:03 a.m. to Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter. The Board reconvened at 8:24 a.m.

On the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Vice-Chairman Larson, it was unanimously agreed to accept the resignation of Mr. Barry L. Sherman as Chief of Police for Middlesex Township Police Department effective November 30, 2015.

On the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Vice-Chairman Larson, it was unanimously agreed to create the position of Public Safety Director responsible for the Highway Department, Police Department and other departments or duties as assigned.

On the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Vice-Chairman Larson, it was unanimously agreed to appoint Barry L. Sherman as Public Safety Director at his current annual salary and existing benefits effective December 1, 2015.

There being no further business, on the motion of Chairman Geistwhite, seconded by Vice-Chairman Larson, it was unanimously agreed to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 a.m.

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