NORTH EAST TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS MEETING MONDAY, JANUARY 16, 2023 9:00 AM

Chairman Fredrick Shunk called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance. Also in attendance were Supervisors August Neff and Russ LaFuria, Attorney Robert Jeffery, and Secretary Erica Carlstrom. Members of the public included Paul Crowe, Fritz Holzhausen, Vernon Frye, and Charlene Kerr.

Chairman Shunk asked for public comments or concerns and none were received. A motion from Russ LaFuria the second from August Neff approved the minutes of the January 3^{rd} , 2023 meeting as presented and passed by unanimous vote. Bills were presented for January 3^{rd} – January 15^{th} , 2023 for approval and payment as follows:

General Fund Checks	#21279-21304	\$	55,978.29
General Fund Debits	#J3854,3855	\$	178.76
Water Fund Checks	#6773-6785	\$	15,711.53
Sewer Fund Checks	#5217-5226	\$	17,067.85
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Total approved by a motion from August Neff and the second from Fredrick Shunk was \$88,936.43 and passed by unanimous vote.

Correspondence: None

Old Business: None

New Business:

Attorney Robert Jeffery presented the Board with a developer's agreement for Cooley Tire LLC. The agreement is for a storm water management plan to be developed on Hirtzel Road. They will be responsible for all costs involved and will place a \$5,000.00 deposit with the Township in escrow for engineering and legal fees, also a \$250.00 deposit for periodic inspections. A motion received from Russ LaFuria to approve the developer's agreement for storm water management and the second from August Neff. All in favor.

Attorney Jeffery also presented the Board with a developer's agreement for Cooley Tire LLC. The agreement is for water & service on Hirtzel Road. They will make a \$5,000.00 deposit into the Township's escrow account to pay for any engineering and legal fees. A motion from Russ LaFuria and the second from August Neff approved the developer's agreement. Passed by unanimous vote.

Charlene Kerr, representing Downtown North East is asking the Supervisors for their approval to apply for the PA T.I.F. (Pennsylvania Tax Increment Financing) grant. The grant would help to improve I90 and Route 20 Intersection. This would include possible widening and placement of a traffic signal at Hirtzel Road, better signage for welcoming people to the North East area, and landscaping. The process of applying for the grant would be getting the County, Township, and School District all on board. A motion was made by Russ LaFuria to approve Downtown North East to proceed on the Township's behalf. The second motion was received from August Neff. All in favor.

Supervisor August Neff discussed the glass recycling bin located at the Township Building. Prism Glass Recycling was recently purchased by Pro Waste. The Township had not been being charged for the dumping of the glass, however with the increasing fuel prices Pro Waste has implemented a \$50.00 per pickup fee. The bin generally needs replaced every 3 weeks. Supervisors decided to keep an eye on costs and if they start going up more they will reevaluate having the bin.

Fredrick Shunk presented the proposed water & sewer rate increases. He talked about how the Township would need to increase rates as a pass through to offset the Borough's increase.

A motion from Russ LaFuria to table the passing of Resolution #2023-009 Water Rate Increase and Resolution #2023-010 Sewer Rate Increase until the February 6th meeting. The second motion was received from Fredrick Shunk. Passed by unanimous vote.

A motion was received from August Neff and the second motion from Russ LaFuria regarding Covid sick time. All employees will be required to use their sick time if out of work for Covid-19.

Supervisor Russ LaFuria discussed administrative reports . He noted that employee W2's would be going out this week. QuickBooks has been purchased and we are in the process of training and implementation. The comment period is currently underway for the Comp. Plan and a Public Hearing will be scheduled for March 6^{th} , 2023 at 5:30 pm.

After announcements, a motion to adjourn was received from August Neff at 9:30 am. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Erica Carlstrom, Secretary