

**CONEWAGO TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

**541 OXFORD AVENUE**

**HANOVER, PA 17331**

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SPECIAL MEETING, OCTOBER 8, 2019**

Chairman Don Knight called the special meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. with the Pledge of the Flag and followed by a moment of silence.

The following Supervisors were in attendance:

Chairman Don Knight

Vice Chair Louann Boyer

John Strevig

Ernie Hess

Jeffery Sheely

The following appointed Township professionals were also in attendance:

Heather Snyder, Secretary-Treasurer

Acting Police Chief Gary Baumgardner

Township Manager Barbara Krebs and Solicitor, Tim Shultis were absent.

There were 4 people in the audience including: Tony Eline of 12 Linden Avenue, Charlotte Shaffer of 44 S. Allwood Dr., Michael Cooper-White from the Gettysburg Times, and Adam Smith of 276 Oxford Avenue.

**1. COMMENCE SPECIAL MEETING**

Chairman Don Knight called the special meeting to order.

**2. ADMINISTRATIVE – CLOSED CAUCUS-PERSONNEL/LEGAL**

The Board unanimously called a closed session to discuss personnel issues at 9:35 a.m.

The Board unanimously adjourned the closed session and resumed the special meeting at 10:07 a.m.

**3. Budget Review –**

Acting Chief of Police Gary Baumgardner gave the Board an overview of the CODY system for Police record Management to meet the new requirements. Discussion on pulling \$30,000.00 from reserves of 2019 to enter into the contract with CODY with a remainder budgeted for 2020 with a 5 year annual contract fee of \$7,000.00.

Secretary-Treasurer Heather Snyder gave a review of the Police accounts including the purchase of a new vehicle, a training facility showing \$100,000.00 in reserves for future training and phone and IT upgrades.

The County placed a medical box at the Bonneauville Borough building for needles. The County is asking for \$1,000.00 towards maintenance and supplies for the box.

Acting Chief of Police Gary Baumgardner left the meeting at 9:45 a.m.

Discussion took place with the Board of Supervisor's regarding the proposed tax increase for emergency services increasing to .5 mill with a continued increase in operating expenses. Supervisor Ernie Hess advising no tax increase since 2012.

Discussion and review of the general fund accounts including Planning/Zoning Ordinance updates, the purchase of a new crack sealer, a 2019 purchase of a mower and to complete the preemption install for the traffic lights. Also advising the Board that we are still working with Weber Insurance on insurance numbers. Steve Hartlaub with Weber Insurance will be at the October 15, 2019 Finance and Operations committee meeting to review.

The 2020 Liquid Fuels budget looked good with a question from Vice Chair Louann Boyer asking why the 2020 state allocation of \$233,967.83 is less than the year before 2019 of \$245,297.91? Secretary-Treasurer Heather Snyder advised she would look into this.

The proposed Stormwater 2020 budget was included for the Board to review and will be discussed in further at the Finance/Operations committee meeting that will be held on October 15, 2019 at 9:30 a.m.

**4. Other/New Business**

Nothing to discuss.

**5. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Charlotte Shaffer of 44 S. Allwood Drive asked the Board of behalf of Adam Smith of 276 Oxford Avenue since he was unable to stay for the meeting about the stakes in his front yard and road markings out front on his house. The Board advised the stakes and markings were not done by the Township.

Charlotte Shaffer of 44 S. Allwood Drive asked the Board why a Special Meeting was held in the daytime? Secretary-Treasurer Heather Snyder and Vice Chair Louann Boyer advised that we usually have workshop/meetings around budget time. The meeting notice was published in the Gettysburg Times.

**5. ADJOURNMENT**

Supervisor John Strevig made motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:05 a.m., seconded by Supervisor Louann Boyer. Vote 5-0

Respectfully Submitted:

Heather Snyder, Secretary/Treasurer