

Allegheny Township, Westmoreland County
Board of Supervisors Meeting
136 Community Building Road
Leechburg, PA 15656

Minutes 12/12/2022

Michael Korn, Chair

Ren Steele, Vice Chair

James Morabito, Supervisor

Meeting No. 13 of 2022

Greg Primm, Township Manager

Roger Schwarz, Public Works

Duane Fisher, Police Department

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Korn at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance and Roll Call.

Good of the Order

Supervisor Korn commented on the police sign sale that he initiated and presented the \$1,500 proceeds to Corporal Hollis for the SRO program.

Minutes of Meeting November 14, 2022

Motion by Supervisor Steele to Approve the minutes of the Board of Supervisors Meeting for November 14, 2022; second by Supervisor Morabito; motion carries.

Motion by Supervisor Morabito to Approve the minutes of Preliminary 2023 Budget Meeting of November 21, 2022; second by Supervisor Steele; motion carries.

Police Department/Public Safety

Police Report for November 2022 given by Chief Fisher and is on file.

Emergency Management Report

Emergency Management Report for November 2022 given by Mr. Primm and is on file.

Fire Department Report

Fire Department Reports for November 2022 given by Mr. Primm and is on file.

Public Works Department

Public Works Report for November 2022 given by Mr. Primm and is on file.

Manager's Report – Mr. Primm

He reported an MMO correction by PMRS for 2023 increased for non-uniform plan by \$81
He reported on the PennDOT Teams meeting about Roundabout Project

Zoning Report

November 2022

Correspondence

* **Allegheny Township Municipal Authority**, Meeting Minutes from October 17, 2022, and Meeting Agenda for November 22, 2022

* **Alle Kiski Strong Chamber**, “Wine and Wisdom” networking event Tuesday January 31, 2023

* **PSATS**, Youth Awards Contest

Seminars/Meetings

Department Reports

Motion made by Supervisor Steele to approve the Department Reports for the month of November 2022; second by Supervisor Morabito; motion carries.

Treasurer’s Report

Motion made by Supervisor Morabito to approve the Financial Reports for the month of November 2022; second by Supervisor Steele; motion carries.

Public Relations and Announcements

* MAAT Meeting on December 19, 2022 at 5:30 p.m.

* Township Office and MAAT Office will be closed both 12/26/2022 and 1/2/2023

Action Items

Motion by Supervisor Steele to Hire Bradley Travaglia as a full time Public Works Employee, effective January 3, 2023 at the rate designated in the Collective Bargaining Agreement for entry level public works employees and entitlement to all the benefits therein; second by Supervisor Morabito; motion carries.

Motion by Supervisor Morabito to Hire Anthony Mangee, Jr. as a Part-time Police Officer according to the prevailing Part-time Police Salary Schedule (01/09/2022), pending the successful completion of a thorough background investigation including but not limited to, satisfactory psychological and medical fitness-for-duty examinations, and a credit check. The start date for the aforementioned part-time police officer will be as soon as possible as coordinated by Chief Fisher, but no later than January 1, 2023, unless additional time is necessary to verify qualifications and eligibility; second by Supervisor Steele; motion carries.

Motion by Supervisor Steele to Renew the Conservation Partnership Agreement with the Westmoreland Conservation District for five (5) years; second by Supervisor Morabito; motion carries.

Motion by Supervisor Morabito to Approve Resolution #24-2022, appropriating specific sums estimated to be required for the Allegheny Township Budget for the year 2023. General Fund \$4,269,342; Fire Tax Fund \$327,543; and Debt Service Fund \$319,515; second by Supervisor Steele; motion carries.

Motion by Supervisor Steele to Approve Resolution #25-2022, establishing tax rates and levies on Real Property for the 2023 year within Allegheny Township. Tax Rate for General Purposes 13.35 mills, for Fire Purposes 1.15 mills, for Debt Service Purposes 2.0 mills. Total Millage set at 16.50 Mills; second by Supervisor Morabito; motion carries.

Motion by Supervisor Morabito to Approve Resolution #26-2022, PA Small Water and Sewer Grant application; second by Supervisor Steele; motion carries.

Motion by Supervisor Steele to Approve Notarized Eligibility Lists presented by Allegheny Township Volunteer and Markle Volunteer Fire Departments for Act 172 Volunteer Tax Credit for the Tax Year 2022; second by Supervisor Morabito; motion carries.

Motion by Supervisor Morabito to Advertise Reorganization Meeting on Tuesday January 3, 2023 and Auditors Meeting Wednesday January 4, 2023; second by Supervisor Steele; motion carries.

Motion by Supervisor Steele to Approve the Budget for the Municipal Authority of Allegheny Township for the year 2023; second by Supervisor Morabito; motion carries.

Motion by Supervisor Korns to Amend the motion to Approve providing \$350 to the Public Works Department and \$350 to the Police Department as a “Break Room” fund to include all three (3) Township departments; second by Supervisor Steele; motion carries.

Motion by Supervisor Morabito to Approve the amended motion to provide \$350 to all Township Departments as a “Break Room” fund; second by Supervisor Steele; motion carries.

Motion by Supervisor Korns to Approve Resolution #27-2022, Designation of Township Manager as Township Public Information Officer; second by Supervisor Steele; Roll call vote: Supervisor Korns – yes; Supervisor Morabito – no; Supervisor Steele – yes; motion carries.

Motion by Supervisor Morabito to Approve Ordinance #01-2022, An Ordinance of the Township of Allegheny, Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania, Establishing the Regulation and Use of Engine-Retarding Devices, Commonly Known as “Jake Brakes,” on Specific Roadways in the Township and Providing for Signs, Enforcement, Violations, and Penalties; second by Supervisor Steele; motion carries.

Citizens Comments

Robert Goldstrom questioned where to get meeting agenda prior to the meeting; commented on the time frame Township information is released to the public; expressed appreciation that the Bon Fire Shortcut was finished; and questioned the Police Gun Policy.

Jim Henry questioned the suppression of information.

Charles Schachte commented on the misinterpretation of information.

Jeff Pollick commented that he feels he has had more information about the township in recent months.

Mr. Gatty commented on the Sewage Authority using a camera in his lines and questioned the status of the flooding issues in his area.

Patrick Leyland commented on the break room allowance for the Public Works and Police that he respects them and their work, but the allowance was not appropriate. He also added his support to the Public Information Officer Resolution.

Supervisor's Comments

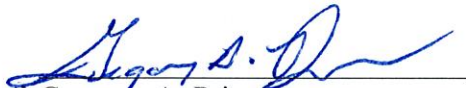
Supervisor Morabito thanked the public for being supportive and wished all a Merry Christmas.

Supervisor Steele wished all a Merry Christmas.


Adjournment

Seeing no further business or comments, a motion to adjourn was made at 8:40 p.m. by Supervisor Steele; second by Supervisor Morabito; motion carries.

Respectfully Submitted:



Gregory A. Primm
Township Manager



Michael Korn
Chair, Board of Supervisors