

West Deer Township
Board of Supervisors
Summary of December 21, 2016 Meeting

Members present: Jeffrey D. Fleming, Chairman; Richard W. DiSanti, Jr., Rick W. Florentine, Leonard Guerre, Shirley Hollibaugh, Joyce A. Romig, and Gerry Vaerewyck.

6:00 p.m. – PUBLIC HEARING/TAX MILLAGE RATE/ORDINANCE NO. 415

MOTION BY Supervisor Vaerewyck and SECONDED BY Supervisor Guerre to reject Ordinance No. 415 fixing the General Millage rate for the 2017 tax year at 2.99 mils. A roll call vote was taken. Members voting yes, Mr. Guerre, Mrs. Romig, and Mr. Vaerewyck. Members voting no, Dr. DiSanti, Mr. Florentine, Mrs. Hollibaugh, and Mr. Fleming. Motion failed 3 – yes and 4 – no.

MOTION BY Supervisor DiSanti and SECONDED BY Supervisor Florentine to adopt Ordinance No. 415 fixing the General Millage rate for the 2017 tax year at 2.99 mils. A roll call vote was taken. Members voting yes, Dr. DiSanti, Mr. Florentine, Mrs. Hollibaugh, and Mr. Fleming. Members voting no, Mr. Guerre, Mrs. Romig, and Mr. Vaerewyck. Motion carried 4 – yes and 3 – no.

ADJOURNMENT/PUBLIC HEARING:

MOTION BY Supervisor DiSanti and SECONDED BY Supervisor Hollibaugh to adjourn the public hearing at 7:00 p.m. Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

7:30 p.m. – REGULAR MEETING

2017 FINAL BUDGET:

MOTION BY Supervisor DiSanti and SECONDED BY Supervisor Hollibaugh to adopt Ordinance No. 414 setting the Street Light Assessment rate at \$35 per affected parcel for the 2017 tax year. Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

MOTION BY Supervisor DiSanti and SECONDED BY Supervisor Guerre to adopt Option D the millage ordinance passed and to accept the recommendations from the Township Manager for the 2017 Year Budget. A roll call vote was taken. Members voting yes, Dr. DiSanti, Mr. Florentine, Mr. Guerre, Mrs. Romig, Mrs. Hollibaugh, and Mr. Fleming. Member voting no, Mr. Vaerewyck.
Motion carried 6 – yes and 1 – no.

ACCEPT MINUTES

MOTION BY Supervisor Guerre and SECONDED BY Supervisor Hollibaugh to accept the minutes of the November 16, 2016 meeting as presented. Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT

MOTION BY Supervisor Guerre and SECONDED BY Supervisor Florentine to approve the Finance Officer's Report as submitted. Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

LIST OF BILLS

MOTION BY Supervisor Mr. Guerre and SECONDED BY Supervisor Romig to pay the List of Bills as submitted, and all approved reimbursable items in compliance with generally accepted accounting practices. Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

UTILITIES & PAYROLL

MOTION BY Supervisor DiSanti and SECONDED BY Supervisor Hollibaugh to pay utilities and payroll from December 22, 2016 to January 18, 2017. Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

TAX REFUNDS

MOTION BY Supervisor Romig and SECONDED BY Supervisor DiSanti to issue the tax refund as submitted by the Tax Collector. Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-19: VACANT PROPERTY RECOVERY PROGRAM:

MOTION BY Supervisor DiSanti and SECONDED BY Supervisor Guerre to adopt Resolution No. 2016-19 acknowledging that the acquisition and subsequent disposition of parcel with Lot and Block Number 1671-B-396 would be in accordance with the Comprehensive Plan of the Municipality.

Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

ORDINANCE NO. 413: ACCEPTANCE OF CRYSTAL SPRINGS COURT:

MOTION BY Supervisor DiSanti and SECONDED BY Supervisor Guerre to adopt Ordinance No. 413 accepting Crystal Springs Court. Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

2016 DEMOLITION PROJECT:

MOTION BY Supervisor Hollibaugh and SECONDED BY Supervisor DiSanti to award the 2016 Demolition Project to Haas Demolition for the structure(s) located at: 13 Crest Street, 1067 Dawson Road, and 359 W. 12th Avenue in the amount of \$13,300.00. And consider if Mr. Haas can hold off on this project and add Alternative #2 at 512 State Route 908 Ext., for a total of \$17,300.00. A roll call vote was taken. Members voting yes, Mrs. Hollibaugh, Dr. DiSanti, Mr. Florentine, Mr. Guerre, Mrs. Romig, and Mr. Fleming. Member voting no, Mr. Vaerewyck. Motion carried 6 – yes and 1 – no.

REBECCA RESIDENCE PILOT AGREEMENT:

MOTION BY Supervisor DiSanti and SECONDED BY Supervisor Hollibaugh to approve the Payment in Lieu of Tax Agreement between the Deer Lakes School District, the Township of West Deer, and the County of Allegheny, and Rebecca Residence. (with the revision of 2.99 on page 2 of 6). Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

ICE BREAKERS FOR PUBLIC WORKS GARAGE:

MOTION BY Supervisor DiSanti and SECONDED BY Supervisor Hollibaugh to authorize Shipeck Heating to install the Ice Breakers on the Public Works Building garage roof as previously discussed at a cost of \$1,200.00. Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

MUNICIPAL BUILDING PARAPET

MOTION BY Supervisor Dr. DiSanti and SECONDED BY Supervisor Hollibaugh to authorize David K. Yee to repair the municipal building overhang as previously discussed and described in his proposal at a cost of \$3,730.00. Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

SET JOINT MEETING/FIRE COMPANY NO. 3:

MOTION BY Supervisor Vaerewyck and SECONDED BY Supervisor Romig to set a joint meeting or a hearing as Mr. Happel sees fit with West Deer Township Volunteer Fire Company No. 3 and the West Deer Township Board of Supervisors regarding the loan for the purchase of a fire truck on Tuesday, January 3, 2017 at 8:30 p.m. Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION BY Supervisor Hollibaugh and SECONDED BY Supervisor DiSanti to adjourn the meeting at 9:05 p.m. Motion carried unanimously 7-0. Meeting adjourned.