

**LOWER GWYNEDD TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2018**

SUPERVISORS PRESENT:

Kathleen Hunsicker, Chair
Dr. J. Richard Booth, Vice-Chair
Stephen Paccione
Mark Grey

ABSENT:

Edward J. Brandt

STAFF:

Craig T. McAnally, Township Manager
Jamie Worman, Assistant Township Manager
Carole Culbreth, Assistant Secretary
James J. Garrity, Esq., Solicitor
Paul Kenny, Police Chief

Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. in the Lower Gwynedd Township Municipal Building and led those in attendance in the pledge of allegiance.

Stewart J. Greenleaf Presentation

Ms. Hunsicker presented a proclamation from the Board of Supervisors to Senator Stewart J. Greenleaf thanking him for all his contributions to the Township during his 40 years in office. Senator Greenleaf retires at the end of 2018. She stated for many years Senator Greenleaf helped the Township secure many DCED grants, an ARLE Grant for signalization for four Township intersections and a grant for the Bethlehem Pike Improvements project. She said his legacy runs deep and the Township was fortunate to have Senator Greenleaf on Lower Gwynedd's side. Senator Greenleaf thanked the Board for their recognition and stated he loved helping the Township.

BUSINESS & FINANCE

Receipt of Invoice History Report, September, 2018

The Board of Supervisors received the Invoice History for September, 2018 in the amount of \$608,841.41. Mr. Grey made a motion, seconded by Dr. Booth to approve the Invoice History for September, 2018 in the amount of \$608,841.41. The motion carried 4 - 0.

Receipt of Year-to-Date Budget Report and Balance Sheet, September, 2018

The Board of Supervisors received the Year-to-Date Budget Report and Balance Sheet for September, 2018. The Chair asked if there were any questions or comments. There were none. Mr. Paccione made a motion, seconded by Dr. Booth to approve the Year-to-Date Budget Report and Balance Sheet for September, 2018. The motion carried 4 - 0.

Authorization to Advertise Resolution No. 2018 - : Appointment of Accounting Firm

Mr. McAnally stated the Finance Director asked if the Board would extend the audit contract for Barbacane Thornton. He stated this extension would include the Municipal Authority and the Township together with a quote of \$20,000 for 2018, \$21,000 for 2019, and \$22,000 for 2020. Mr. Paccione made a motion, seconded by Dr. Booth to authorize advertisement of a Resolution for the Appointment of Accounting Firm. The motion carried 4 - 0.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

The Chairman opened the meeting for public comment for items not on the agenda. There were none.

BUILDING AND ZONING

Ordinance No. 520: Brush, Weeds and Grass

Mr. Garrity stated the above ordinance will amend the Codified Ordinances of Lower Gwynedd Part 6 to add a new Chapter 650 entitled *Brush Weeds and Grass Ordinance* in order to ensure that brush, weeds and grass are satisfactorily maintained within the Township. He stated properties which are not occupied and suffer a lack of property maintenance (weeds and grass in excess of 10 inches) with no effort from their mortgage company are a nuisance. He stated this ordinance gives the Township power to take care of the weeds and grass and lien the property. Dr. Booth made a motion, seconded by Mr. Paccione to adopt Ordinance No. 520: Brush Weeds and Grass Ordinance. The motion carried 4 - 0.

OTHER BUSINESS

Sale of Retired Vehicles

Ms. Hunsicker stated the Public Works Department asked for authorization to advertise and receive bids and sell the items through Municibid with the acceptance of the winning bids to take place at the November 27, 2018 Board of Supervisors meeting. The items are as follows:

- Fiberglass Truck Cap
- Center Drop Tailgate Spreader
- 2008 Tahoe (Previously retired police vehicle that was given to Wissahickon Fire Department)

Dr. Booth made a motion, seconded by Mr. Paccione to authorize the sale of retired vehicles as stated above. The motion carried 4 - 0.

MANAGER'S REPORT

Report from the Manager – Municipal activities, projects

Mr. McAnally stated he received information from PECO regarding a Green Region Grant. He explained Resolution No. 2018-32 is a resolution authorizing the submission of a grant application not to exceed \$10,000 in total project costs for the PECO Green Region Grant administered by the Natural Lands Organization for a Rain Garden Project located at Penllyn Woods. Dr. Booth made a motion, seconded by Mr. Paccione to adopt Resolution No. 2018-32 as stated above. The motion carried 4 - 0.

There being no further questions or comments, the meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m. until the next Regular Meeting scheduled on November 13, 2018 at the Lower Gwynedd Township Building.

Respectfully submitted,

Carole Culbreth
Assistant Secretary