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

SUPERVISORS PRESENT:

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

STAFF:

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

Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m. in the Lower Gwynedd Township Municipal Building and led those in attendance in the pledge of allegiance. The Chair stated the Board of Supervisors met in an Executive Session before the meeting on a personnel matter.

BUSINESS & FINANCE

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

The Board of Supervisors received the Year-to-Date Budget Report and Balance Sheet for November, 2018. Mr. Paccione made a motion, seconded by Dr. Booth to accept the Year-to-Date Budget Report and Balance Sheet for November, 2018. The motion carried 5 – 0.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

The Chair opened the meeting for public comment for items not on the agenda.

Fran Rhodes, Foulkeways, thanked the Board of Supervisors for the installation of the upgrade of the traffic signal at Sumneytown and Bethlehem Pike. Mr. McAnally stated it was not easy to get the upgrade from PennDOT.

William Bush, 1624 Schoolhouse Road, questioned the Treweryn Trail System and if the Township had an agreement with Merck for future preservation of the trail. Ms. Hunsicker stated the Treweryn Trail is important to the Township. She stated the Township has a renewing year-to-year lease. Mr. Brandt stated Merck spent thousands of dollars to repair the Treweryn Trail after the last hurricane with no cost to the Township.

There were no other comments.

BUILDING AND ZONING

Authorization to Advertise: Gwynedd Mercy Conditional Use

Mr. McAnally stated Gwynedd Mercy University is seeking to redevelop walking trails and driveways which are interfering with the wetlands. He asked for authorization to advertise the Conditional Use for Gwynedd Mercy University. Mr. Brandt made a motion, seconded by Mr. Grey to authorize advertisement of the Gwynedd Mercy Conditional Use. The motion carried 5 – 0.

OTHER BUSINESS

Committee Appointments

The Chair read the following names offered for re-appointments retro-active to January 2, 2018:

Planning Commission, 4-year term: Craig Melograno; Charles (Rusty) Beardsley; Joel J. Mayor Investment Advisory Committee, 4-year term: James Morris

Mr. Paccione made a motion, seconded by Dr. Booth to approve the above re-appointments. The motion carried 5 – 0.

Trash Extension

Mr. McAnally explained the current Waste Management trash agreement has a two-year extension to be acted on by April 30, 2018. He asked for the Board to approve the two-year extension to the current Waste Management trash agreement. The Chair asked if there were any comments. A resident asked how the Township evaluates Waste Management's performance. Mr. McAnally stated if a complaint is repeated three times and not corrected the Township can remove the contract. Dr. Booth made a motion, seconded by Mr. Paccione to extend the current Waste Management trash agreement with a two-year extension. The motion carried 5 – 0.

Munis Upgrade

This item has been tabled.

MANAGER'S REPORT

Report from the Manager – Municipal activities, projects

Mr. McAnally asked the Board to authorize the purchase of more sensitive microphones in the Meeting Room in the amount of \$1,390. Mr. Brandt made a motion, seconded by Dr. Booth to authorize the purchase of new microphones in the Meeting Room in the amount of \$1,390. The motion carried 5 – 0.

SUPERVISORS/STAFF COMMENTS

Mr. Brandt stated Mr. Garrity's father passed away this week and he offered condolences to Mr. Garrity.

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There being no further questions or comments, the meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m. until the next Regular Meeting scheduled on February 13, 2018 at the Lower Gwynedd Township Building.

Respectfully submitted,

Carole Culbreth Assistant Secretary