

Ridgebury Township Office



13278 Berwick Turnpike
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January 6th, 2014 Ridgebury Township Supervisors' Organizational Meeting Minutes

Supervisor Gee called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. The meeting was held at the Ridgebury Township Municipal Building, located at 13278 Berwick Turnpike, Gillett, PA. The meeting began with the township supervisors leading those present in the pledge of allegiance.

Announcement of recording: Township, Randy Rightmire

Board of Supervisors present: Gary Gee, Kevin Yaggie, and John Johnson

Supervisor Gee announced that an executive session was held prior to the meeting for personnel reasons with no action taken.

Organizational Appointments and Motions:

Discussion about citizen's input on agenda items and the meeting policy.

Supervisor Gee motioned to appoint John Johnson as Temporary Chairman, seconded by Supervisor Yaggie, motion carried.

Supervisor Gee motioned to appoint Tammi Talada as Temporary Secretary, seconded by Supervisor Yaggie, motion carried.

Supervisor Yaggie motioned to appoint Gary Gee as Chairman, seconded by Supervisor Johnson, motion carried.

Supervisor Johnson motioned to appoint Kevin Yaggie as Vice-Chairman, seconded by Supervisor Gee, motion carried.

Supervisor Yaggie motioned to appoint Tammi Talada as Part-Time Secretary, seconded by Supervisor Gee, motion carried.

Supervisor Gee motioned to appoint Kevin Yaggie as Treasurer, bond is set at one million dollars, seconded by Supervisor Johnson, motion carried.

Supervisor Gee motioned to appoint Bob Leonard as Road Crew Foreman, seconded by Supervisor Yaggie, motion carried.

Supervisor Yaggie motioned to increase the pay rate of Tammi Talada, Paul Warren, and Garry Weed by .25 per hour, seconded by Supervisor Johnson, motion carried.

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Employee Pay Rates effective January 6th, 2014:

Robert Leonard: \$16.60/hour
Garry Weed: \$ 14.75/hour
Paul Warren: \$13.25/hour
Tim Bailey: \$15.00/hour
Tammi Talada: \$12.75/hour

Supervisor Yaggie motioned to transition Tim Bailey from full time to per diem road crew member, effective January 6th, 2014, seconded by Supervisor Gee, motion carried.

Supervisor Yaggie motioned to approve (5) per diem positions to use as needed, seconded by Supervisor Johnson, motion carried.

Supervisor Yaggie motioned to appoint Bob Leonard as Chairman of the Vacancy Board, seconded by Supervisor Johnson, motion carried. A discussion followed in regards to whether it is appropriate for an employee to hold this position. Supervisor Gee motioned to rescind the motion appointing Bob Leonard as Chairman of the Vacancy Board, seconded by Supervisor Johnson, motion carried. Supervisor Gee motioned to appoint Scott Phillips as Chairman of the Vacancy Board, motion failed due to lack of a second. Supervisor Johnson motioned to appoint Dave Baker as Chairman of the Vacancy Board, seconded by Supervisor Yaggie, motion carried.

Supervisor Yaggie motioned to appoint John Thompson as Township Solicitor at a rate of \$95.00 per hour, seconded by Supervisor Johnson, motion carried.

Supervisor Yaggie motioned to appoint TCC Delegates, Primary-John Johnson, Secondary- Gary Gee, Alternate-Tammi Talada, seconded by Supervisor Johnson, motion carried.

Supervisor Yaggie motioned to appoint Tammi Talada as Emergency Management Coordinator, seconded by Supervisor Gee, motion carried.

Supervisor Johnson motioned to appoint Percy Talada as Emergency Management Deputy, seconded by Supervisor Yaggie, motion carried.

Supervisor Gee motioned to appoint Mike Rinebold as Mobile Home Permit/ Ordinance Enforcement Officer, seconded by Supervisor Johnson, motion carried.

Supervisor Yaggie motioned to appoint Tammi Talada to provide Assessment Permits within the Township, seconded by Supervisor Johnson, motion carried.

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Supervisor Johnson motioned to appoint Tammi Talada as Right to Know Officer, seconded by Supervisor Gee, motion carried.

Supervisor Gee motioned to appoint Jerry Phillips as COG Representative, seconded by Supervisor Johnson, motion carried.

Supervisor Yaggie motioned for Citizen's and Northern Bank to be the depository for Township Funds, seconded by Supervisor Johnson, motion carried.

Supervisor Johnson motioned to use the Daily Review as the newspaper for legal advertising, seconded by Supervisor Yaggie, motion carried.

Supervisor Gee motioned to set the Township Mileage Rate at .56 per mile, seconded by Supervisor Johnson, motion carried.

Supervisor Gee motioned for Supervisors' meetings to be held on the first Tuesday of each month at 7pm at the Ridgebury Township Municipal Building, seconded by Supervisor Yaggie, motion carried.

Supervisor Johnson motioned to approve training for all Township employees and elected officials as needed or wanted through-out the year, seconded by Supervisor Gee , motion carried.

Supervisor Gee motioned to appoint Gary Wood as Park Committee Chairperson, seconded by Supervisor Yaggie, motion carried.

Supervisor Johnson motioned to appoint Gary Gee and Kevin Yaggie as Bradford County Sanitation Delegates, seconded by Supervisor Yaggie, motion carried.

Supervisor Johnson motioned to appoint Gary Gee and Kevin Yaggie as UCC Hearing Board Delegates, seconded by Supervisor Yaggie, motion carried.

Supervisor Yaggie motioned to advertise new positions throughout the year as needed, seconded by Supervisor Johnson, motion carried.

Supervisor Gee motioned to appoint John Johnson as Flood Plain Administrator, seconded by Supervisor Yaggie, motion carried.

Meeting minutes:

Supervisor Johnson motioned to rescind his previous motion to accept the November meeting minutes, seconded by Supervisor Gee, motion carried.

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Supervisor Gee motioned to accept the minutes from the November meeting, seconded by Supervisor Yaggie, motion carried.

Supervisor Johnson motioned to accept the minutes from the December 3rd and December 19th meetings, seconded by Supervisor Yaggie, motion carried.

Financial Reports:

Supervisor Johnson motioned to accept the Treasurer's Report, seconded by Supervisor Gee, motion carried.

Township Reports and Updates:

Ordinance Enforcement and Road Crew Summary reviewed.

Correspondence and Communications:

Gas Well notifications were reviewed.

New Business:

Sub-division- Fallenstein: Supervisor Johnson motioned to review and sign paperwork in a timely manner, providing everything is in order, seconded by Supervisor Gee, motion carried.

Citizen's Input:

Leland Stringham: Questioned the use of the red cinders this year and also why they are being spread so wide across the road. Mr. Stringham stated that the cinders would be more effective if they were not spread across the entire road.

Randy Rightmire: Questioned why Athens Township roads are bare but Ridgebury roads are not.

Tommy Rocco: Questioned if there was a conflict of interest in regards to the tar and chip projects and Supervisor Johnson's driveway. A lengthy discussion followed.

Judy Walsh: Made a statement in regards to the last meeting. She stated that she had requested to be allowed to use the Municipal Building's conference room to collect taxes during the 2014 tax season. She stated that her request was denied and questioned when this decision was made and if it was during an advertised meeting. She went on to say that she will be collecting taxes this year at the Bentley Creek Baptist Church on Wednesdays during the months of March, April, and November, other times by appointment or mail. Mrs. Walsh would also like to thank the Bentley Creek Baptist Church for their generosity in allowing her to use the building. Mrs.

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Walsh also questioned if the supervisors were going to give the Fire Company a \$10,000 donation as well as an increase in the Fire Tax. Supervisor Gee responded that this was correct.

Supervisor Gee adjourned the meeting at 9:05pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tammi Talada