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AGENDA - March 21st, 2022

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance
- 3. Executive Session
- 4. Minutes of March 7th, 2022 Board of Supervisors Meeting
 - a. Additions, corrections, motion for approval
 - b. Agenda for March 21st, 2022- additions, corrections, motion for approval.
 - c. ESB March 14th, 2022 Minutes Motion for Approval
- 5. Treasurer's Report Cynthia O'Donnell
 - a. Copies of report in Township Lobby
 - b. Authorization to pay the bills (BOS Approval Required)
 - c. Administration Personnel Staffing, Finance/Treasurer BOS action will be required.
- 6. Police Department Report Chief Templin
- 7. Solicitor Report Robert Brant, Esq.
- 8. Public Works Department Report Michael Heydt
- 9. Emergency Services Reports
 - 1. GF&R and GACAS Copies of reports in lobby
 - 2. Emergency Service Building Update
 - 3. Lease Agreement between GF&R and Police Department Pending
- 10. Manager's Report Peter Hiryak
 - 1. Schedule of Meetings
 - a. Monday April 4th, 2022 BOS Agenda Meeting @ 6:30pm, BOS Meeting @ 7pm. Thursday April 14th, 2022 P/A Meeting @ 7pm, Lighting Ordinance Workshop @ 6pm.
 - 2. GF&R Escrow Release Request (\$49,397.60)
 - 3. ARP Designating Roles for Township Officials for Treasury Reporting
- 11. Old Business/New Business
 - 1. David Bressler Cobblestone Drive intersection problems.
- 12. Public Comment
- 13. Adjournment

NEXT MEETING 7PM MONDAY APRIL 4TH, 2022

The meeting of the Douglass Township Board of Supervisors was called to order at 7:05P.M. Attending were Chairman Joshua Stouch, Vice-Chairman Alan Keiser, Supervisor Sara Carpenter, Solicitor Robert Brant, Khal Hassan of Pennoni & Associates, Pete Hiryak, Andrew Duncan, Mike Heydt, McKenna Powanda, Cynthia O'Donnell, Chief Templin, and approximately 9 residents/developers.

Mr. Stouch led in the Pledge of Allegiance. The meeting room was set up for modified social distancing. A reporter was present at the meeting.

Mr. Stouch announced that was an Executive Session held on Wednesday March 16th, 2022 from 3pm to 6pm involving personnel matters and this evening from approximately 5:45pm - 6:15pm involving personnel matters. No votes or decisions were taken. Mr. Stouch also announced that the Township doors were locked until 6:50pm for safety & security reasons and versed the public on where the meeting room & building exits were located. We will conduct the necessary business for the Township according the Roberts Rules of Order, we encourage public comment however the Board may exercise comment time limits. Disturbing a public meeting with non-Township related business will not be tolerated and will be handled swiftly, possible charges could be pending upon the type of disruption.

Mr. Stouch asked if there were any additions, corrections, or comments to the minutes of the March 7th, 2022 Board of Supervisors Meeting, none were given.

A motion was made by Mr. Keiser, seconded by Ms. Carpenter to approve the minutes of the March 7th, 2022 Board of Supervisors Meeting. Keiser-Aye, Stouch-Aye, Carpenter-Aye. Motion passed.

Mr. Stouch asked if there were any questions, comments, or corrections to the March 21st, 2022 Board of Supervisors Agenda. Mr. Stouch moved item 10. #4 under the Manager's report to 5. c under the Treasurer's Report. No other changes were given.

A motion was made by Mr. Stouch, seconded by Mr. Keiser to approve the March 21st, 2022 Board of Supervisors Agenda with the change of moving item 10. # 4 under the Manager's Report to line 5. c under the Treasurer's Report. Keiser-Aye, Stouch-Aye, Carpenter-Aye. Motion passed.

ESB March 14th, 2022 Minutes – (Motion for Approval)

A motion was made by Mr. Stouch, seconded by Mr. Keiser to approve the minutes of the March 14th, 2022 ESB Meeting. Keiser-Aye, Stouch-Aye, Carpenter-Aye. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report (Authorization to pay the bills) - Cynthia O'Donnell

Ms. O'Donnell stated the bills amounted to \$223,544.86, authorization is needed for payment. Unusual bills were: Cargill for salt, Global Industrial for police office furniture, Livin' Green for straw & seed to restore Smith Road Park area, Stoney Creek for rental of equipment to clear tree debris at Smith Road Park area, Morbark for corrected invoice involving 902 Grant, North American Benefits for bill missed in January, Comcast for new service at new police department building, and Thompson Fabricating for a hook lift involving 902 Grant. Copies of the report are in the lobby.

A motion was made by Mr. Stouch, seconded by Ms. Carpenter for authorization to pay the unpaid bills as of March 21st, 2022 in the amount of \$223,544.86. Keiser-Aye, Stouch-Aye, Carpenter-Aye. Motion passed.

Administration Personnel Staffing, Finance/Treasurer (BOS Action Required) – Mr. Stouch announced that there is a need for additions to administration personnel, we have recently hired a fulltime person for Codes. Ms. O'Donnell has been working for the Township as a subcontracted Treasurer 18-20 hours per week since 2005. The Board feels that the better option is to make this a fulltime 40 hour per week position.

A motion was made by Ms. Carpenter, seconded by Mr. Keiser to hire Cynthia O'Donnell as the fulltime Finance Director/Treasurer with a starting date of July 5th, 2022 pending stipulations set forth by the Manager. Keiser-Aye, Stouch-Aye, Carpenter-Aye. Motion passed.

Police Department Report - Chief Templin

February 2022 Police Statistics: 290 calls for service, 10 reportable accidents, 7 non-reportable accidents, 10 criminal investigations, 8 criminal arrests, 14 paper citations, 42 E-citations, and 3 non-traffic citations. On February 22nd, 2022 Mr. Masciantonio of the PA Commission on Crime and Delinquency monitored our police department to see if our department is following the rules and regulations when it comes to the handling of juvenile offenders. No violations or problems requiring formal resolutions were identified and our police department was found to be in full compliance with Federal requirements. Officer Perretta was accepted into the North American Standard Level 1 Inspector Certification Class (MCSAP) scheduled for June 6 - 24th, 2022 by the PA State Police – Commercial Vehicle Safety Division. They select very few candidates every year and have strict guidelines for being accepted into the program. When completed Officer Perretta will have the certification to inspect commercial vehicles for safety deficiencies. On Saturday April 30tth, 2022 from 10am to 2pm our police department will be participating in the National Prescription Drug Take Back Day for collection disposing of unwanted, unused, or expired medications for proper destruction. No sharps or liquids please. Mr. Updegrove asked if the department needs DOT inspection equipment, Chief Templin replied we would need minor equipment for the inspections. We already have the scales that we purchased jointly with New Hanover. No other questions were given.

A motion was made by Mr. Stouch, seconded by Mr. Keiser to accept the Police Department Report as presented. Keiser-Aye, Stouch-Aye, Carpenter-Aye. Motion passed.

Solicitor Report - Robert Brant, Esq.

Mr. Brant stated that he has submitted a written report to the Board of Supervisors.

Public Works Department Report - Michael Heydt

Mr. Heydt stated that the roadcrew repaired potholes & signs, cleaned debris from storm damage, and helped spread straw at Smith Road Park. Mr. Heydt asked for the Boards approval to sell the skag mower, and the old recycling containers.

A motion was made by Mr. Stouch, seconded by Mr. Keiser to authorize Mr. Heydt to sell the skag mower. Keiser-Aye, Stouch-Aye, Carpenter-Aye. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Mr. Stouch, seconded by Mr. Keiser to authorize Mr. Heydt to sell the old recycling containers. Keiser-Aye, Stouch-Aye, Carpenter-Aye. Motion passed.

<u>GF&R and GACAS Reports</u> – Written reports for February 2022 were submitted to the Board of Supervisors and available in the lobby.

EMS Building Update - Mr. Duncan stated that Fire & Rescue expects to move into the new building within the next two weeks, right now we are waiting for doors to be installed and have started going over the final punch list. Mr. Stouch commented that he would like to hold the September 19th, 2022 Board of Supervisors Meeting in the bay area of the new building for a mini open house. Ms. Carpenter asked Mr. Duncan for an approximate move in date, Mr. Duncan replied April 1st. Mr. Duncan stated that the police department would be possibly in June

2022. We are waiting for the first utility bill to finalize the lease agreement with the police department. No other questions were given.

GACAS - Rochelle Gresh gave a brief overview of the February 2022 written report.

Manager's Report - Pete Hiryak

- 1. Schedule of Meetings:
 - a. The Manager reviewed the upcoming meetings as follows: Monday April 4th, 2022 BOS Agenda Meeting @ 6:30pm, BOS Meeting @ 7pm, Thursday April 14th, 2022 P/A Meeting @ 7pm, Workshop @ 6pm (Lighting Ordinance), Friday April 8th, 2022 ARP Meeting @ 12noon.
- 2. GF&R Escrow Release #1 (\$49,397.60) a request for a reduction of escrow funds was received on 3/15/2022 in the amount of \$49,397.60, a site inspection was completed and the release is recommended by Pennoni.

A motion was made by Mr. Stouch, seconded by Mr. Keiser to approve Escrow Release Request #1, as recommended by Pennoni, in the amount of \$49,397.60 for the Gilbertsville Emergency Services Building. Keiser-Aye, Stouch-Aye, Carpenter-Aye. Motion passed.

3. ARP – Designating Roles for Township Officials for Treasury Reporting – The manager stated that people must be designated for Treasury Reporting (record keeping, account administration, point of contact) for 1.1 million in funding for the Township.

A motion was made by Mr. Keiser, seconded by Mr. Stouch to designate Manager Hiryak, Treasurer O'Donnell, and Chairman Stouch for record keeping, account administration, and point of contact for Treasury Reporting involving 1.1 million in funding available for Douglass Township.

A motion was made by Mr. Stouch, seconded by Mr. Keiser to accept the Manager's Report as presented. Keiser-Aye, Stouch-Aye, Carpenter-Aye. Motion passed.

Old Business/New Business

Mr. David Bressler was scheduled to address the Board on intersection problems at Cobblestone Drive however he has rescheduled for the next Township meeting. No old business/new business was given.

Public Comment

Ms. DiCicco commented that usually she receives her tax bill around March 1st but hasn't received any bill, Manager Hiryak announced that he was informed of a billing software issue that is being corrected and the bills should be mailed within the next two weeks and the discount period would be extended. Mr. Hunter asked if the per capita bills would be affected, the manager said he would check into it. Mr. Kolb asked if a sign could be placed near Wendy's Flowers so truckers would not use Jake Brakes as they get closer to AD Moyer Lumber, the braking rattles through the whole house. Mr. Hassan responded that a survey is needed documenting how often this happens and time/hours that it is happening, he will send an email to the manager on what is needed to act on this matter. Mr. Stouch said we were informed that an individual from outside of the Township might show up this evening to disrupt tonight's meeting with non-Township issues, we must take these threats seriously. No other public comment was given.

A motion was made by Mr. Stouch, seconded by Mr. Keiser to adjourn the meeting at 7:38pm. Keiser-Aye, Stouch-Aye, Carpenter-Aye. Motion passed.

The next Board of Supervisor's Meeting will be held on Monday, April 4th, 2022 @ 7 pm.

Respectfully submitted by, Marcy Meitzler

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Gilbertsville Ambulance Chief of Operations Report March 2022

Call Volume for February

80 Total Montgomery County

97 Total for month	24	9 Total Year to Date	
60 Patients Transported		6 Patient Evaluated/No treatment or transport	
1 Public Assist		5 Patient Refusal	
3 Unit Assist		2 Patient treated and released	
16 Cancelled	Prince Land	Patient treated transported by another EMS Agency	
2 Dead on Scene		2 Standby	
97 Tota	al calls for serv	vice for the month	
Calls for service by Municipality			
37 Douglass Township		Amity Township	
26 New Hanover Twp	1	Bally Borough	
9 Upper Pottsgrove Twp	1.	Bechtelsville Boro	
East Greenville Boro	10	Boyertown Boro	
Limerick Twp	3	Colebrookdale Twp	
Lower Frederick Twp	1	Douglass Berks	
1 Lower Pottsgrove Twp	1	Earl Township	
2 Pennsburg Boro	The SETTING CONTRACTOR	Hereford Twp	
4 Pottstown Boro		Oley Twp	
Red Hill Boro		Washington Twp	
Salford Township			
Upper Frederick Twp	- 13 A	Other	
Upper Hanover Twp	· ************************************		
1 West Pottsgrove Twp	97	Total Calls by Municipality	

17 Total Berks County

Admission Summary	Call Volume by Unit	
50 Pottstown Hospital		
Grand View Health	332-1	
4 Lehigh Valley Hospital	56 332-2	
Penn State Health-St. Joseph's	41 332-3	
5 Phoenixville Hospital	Chief	
1 Reading Hospital	Other	
St. Luke's Upper Bucks		
Other	97 Total Volum	
60 TOTAL ADMISSIONS		
Response Locations	EMS calls By Shift	
75 Home/ Residence	54 0600-1800	
4 Assisted Living	43 1800-0600	
Nursing Home		
3 Place of Business	97 TOTAL	
Police/Jail		
1 School		
9 Street or Highway		
Urgent Care		
Industrial Place		
5 Other		
97 Total Response Locations		

Respectfully Submitted, Horry R. Schnoetze R

Garry R. Schmoltze Sr. Chief of Operations



Gilbertsville Fire and Rescue Company Monthly Fire Report

February 2022

Incidents by type:

111 - Building fire: 3

132 - Vehicle Fire: 1

142 - Brush Fire: 2

311 - Medical Assist: 4

322 - Motor vehicle accident with injuries: 3

424 - Carbon Monoxide Incident: 4

542 - Animal Rescue: 1

551 - Assist police or other governmental agency: 5 (Fire Police Call)

600 - Good Intent Call: 1

745 - Fire alarm: 4

Total Incidents for February 2022: 29

Fire Company in Service Time: 118 hours, 55 minutes

Call total for 2022: 55

Fire Company in Service Time Year to Date: 176 Hours, 11 Minutes

Response per Municipality:

Douglass Township Montgomery: 19

Upper Pottsgrove: 2

Colebrookdale Township (Berks County): 1

Pottstown Borough: 2

Bechtelsville Borough (Berks): 1

Boyertown Borough (Berks County): 2

New Hanover Township: 1

Earl Township: 1

Training:

Engineers night / Equipment Checks
Highway / Scene Safety
Mayday Training / After Action Reports
Haz Mat Operations Refresher - practical

Respectfully Submitted,

Andrew A. Duncan Chief of Fire Operations

Gilbertsville Fire and Rescue