

TOWNSHIP OF SOUTHAMPTON MINUTES
FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
SOUTHAMPTON TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL BUILDING

5:00 p.m.

October 23, 2018

MEMBERS PRESENT

Paul Witter – Chairman
Greg Richardson – Vice Chairman
Samuel Cressler – Secretary/Treasurer

OTHERS PRESENT

Doug Shields – Code Enforcement Officer
Maria Misner – Planning/Recording Secretary
Kathy Durf – Administrative Assistant

VISITORS PRESENT

Shelly Varner – Southampton Cumberland
Margaret Light – Shippensburg Public Library

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE AMERICAN FLAG

APPROVAL OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF OCTOBER 9TH, 2018.

The minutes for the regular meeting of October 9th, were approved as presented.

VISITOR REMARKS

Shippensburg Public Library

Margaret Light, Southampton Township Library Representative, presented a financial report and update for the Library. Activities include, participation in the Senior Fair and hosting Library Celebration Day. In September, 72 Youth Programs were offered with 612 participants.

Ms. Light stated that County funding for the budget is stable and a State check-up of the Library was very positive.

They are refinancing their outstanding \$1 million loan and transitioning into a different fund as part of their operations. The Branch Creek property is still owned by the Library and the six rental units generate income for the library.

There have been changes in the board. Colby Frey has resigned as President and Ms. Light has been asked to be Vice President.

OLD BUSINESS

Christmas Light Contest

Shelly Varner was present to discuss the contest proposal with the board. Ms. Varner stated that the Shippensburg Greyhound Foundation would be the recipient of a portion of the fundraiser proceeds. She feels the Foundation would be a way to keep funds locally and support teachers, scholarships and unrestricted funds.

In regard to the Greyhound Foundation, Supervisor Richardson said if Southampton were to give funds to this organization. It would be giving municipal funds or taxes to a district that already taxes the people. He feels it would be better suited to give the proceeds of the event to underprivileged, people in need or a charity.

Supervisor Richardson further stated that he likes the idea, but the event is a recreational function, he would therefore defer it to SCPRA which represents both the Borough of Shippensburg and Southampton Township. It is counter-productive for the Township to give to their Park & Rec Authority and then give additional funds to another recreational activity.

Supervisor Cressler asked if the Greyhound Foundation is a 501c3?

Shelly replied that it was.

Supervisor Witter stated that he would like to see what the neighboring municipalities are going to do before taking action.

Park & Ride Streetlight

Supervisor Witter said that Adams Electric contacted him stating the streetlight at Park and Ride is no longer being funded by Adams Electric as a community program. They are putting a new HD light in for \$14.00 a month. The light will be removed if the Township does not pay for it. It was requested years ago as a safety concern.

MOTION: Supervisor Witter moved to approve paying \$14.00 a month for the streetlight at Park & Ride. Supervisor Cressler seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Thornwood/Thornwood Village Bonds

Supervisor Cressler stated that there is no action required, he is having Martin & Martin review the bonding for Thornwood and Thornwood Village to make sure they are still sufficient to cover the cost of inflation since their inception.

HVAC

The HVAC System for the township office, located at 705 Municipal Drive, has failed and needs replaced. The Township Supervisors anticipated the replacement cost of the unit would probably be in the range that requires three phone bids.

Three HVAC vendors were contacted.

Bid 1 Rodney B Smith	\$13,900.00
Bid 2 Mann Plumbing	\$ 9,450.00
Bid 3 Wadel Heating	\$10,900.00

MOTION: Supervisor Cressler moved to award Mann Plumbing the contract for the Luxaire unit to replace the furnace at the office building in the amount of \$9,450.00. Supervisor Witter seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

REPORTS OF TOWNSHIP OFFICIALS AND AGENCIES

Health and Safety Violation

Code Enforcement officer, Doug Shields reported that he is working with solicitor Sean Shultz regarding several safety violations at 32 Mount Rock Road.

Budget Advertising for Workshop

Supervisor Cressler stated that he will advertise for a public budget workshop to take place on October 31st at 8:00 am at the Southampton Township Building.

GENERAL FUND

MOTION: Supervisor Witter moved to pay the general fund in the amount of \$99,585.20. Supervisor Richardson seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned by Supervisor Witter at 5:40 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted

Maria Misner
Recording Secretary