

**MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR MEETING HELD
March 6, 2017**

The regular meeting of the Butler Township Board of Commissioners was held on March 6, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. at the Butler Township Municipal Building, 290 S. Duffy Road, Butler, PA 16001. The following Commissioners were present: Pres. Dave Zarnick, Vice-Pres. Sam Zurzolo, Commis. Joe Wiest, Commis. Charles M. Nedz and Commis. James Lokhaiser, Jr. Pres. Zarnick called the meeting to order followed by a moment of silence and the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Also present were Manager Ed Kirkwood, Assistant Manager Cheryl McNeill, Solicitor Rebecca Black, and Public Works Superintendent Thomas Knights.

Commis. Zarnick stated that anyone taping the meeting is required to state their name and address at the beginning of the meeting. There was no one taping the meeting.

Commis. Zarnick asked if there were any corrections or additions to the minutes of the February 20, 2017 meeting. There was none. The minutes will stand as presented.

Commis. Zarnick noted receipt of the monthly reports for the Treasurer, Police and Road Departments.

Commis. Nedz had nothing to report.

Commis. Lokhaiser reported that there will be a Pruning Workshop held at Preston Park on Saturday, March 11st. Registration for the workshop has reached maximum capacity and is now closed.

Commis. Lokhaiser reported that he attended the February 22nd Library Board meeting. There will be a used book sale at the Butler Library on March 17th and 18th from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Commis. Lokhaiser reported that there will be a Fire Commission meeting on Wednesday, March 15th. All three fire departments have met the First Quarter Action Item requirements and will receive their first quarter allocations following a decision of the board concerning distribution percentages.

Commis. Lokhaiser reported that the South Butler Fish Fries will be held on Fridays through April 14th.

Commis. Zurzolo had nothing to report.

Commis. Wiest commended the Road Department on their efforts during the last snow event. He reported that the Road Department has been working a split shift and will hopefully be returning to normal hours by March 20th so that the storm water projects can begin and be completed before the paving season starts.

Solicitor Black had nothing to report, but also commended the Road Department on their efforts during the last snow event.

Manager Kirkwood had nothing to report.

Road Superintendent Knights had nothing to report.

Asst. Manager McNeill had nothing to report.

Commis. Zarnick reported that he and Manager Kirkwood were in Harrisburg on February 27th and 28th for the re-write of the First Class Township Code.

Commis. Zarnick reported that there will be a Butler Transit Authority meeting on March 9th at 2:00 p.m.

Commis. Zarnick asked for public comment on agenda items. There was none.

Assistant Manager McNeill opened the bids for the sale of property. Two bids were received.

Name	Bid Amount
Baglier Buick	\$306,000.00
MLCM Real Estate Holdings, LLC	\$266,000.00

Motion by Commis. Zarnick to table the bids for review. Seconded by Commis. Nedz. The vote was Lokhaiser: Yes; Nedz: Yes; Wiest: Yes; Zurzolo: Yes; Zarnick: Yes. Motion carried.

Assistant Manager McNeill presented the 2017 Fee Resolution for approval.

Motion by Commis. Lokhaiser to pass Resolution 17-08, 2017 Fee Resolution. Seconded by Commis. Nedz. The vote was Lokhaiser: Yes; Nedz: Yes; Wiest: Yes; Zurzolo: Yes; Zarnick: Yes. Motion carried.

Commis. Lokhaiser presented the letter from William O'Brien stating his intent to resign from the Fire Commission effective April 1, 2017.

Motion by Commis. Lokhaiser to accept the resignation of William O'Brien from the Fire Commission, effective April 1, 2017. Seconded by Commis. Nedz. The vote was Lokhaiser: Yes; Nedz: Yes; Wiest: Yes; Zurzolo: Yes; Zarnick: Yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Commis. Lokhaiser to appoint Alan Paul as the Primary Member of the Fire Commission representing Mercer Road Volunteer Fire Department with the term to expire December 2017. Seconded by Commis. Nedz. The vote was Lokhaiser: Yes; Nedz: Yes; Wiest: Yes; Zurzolo: Yes; Zarnick: Yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Commis. Lokhaiser to appoint Chuck Glagola as the First Alternate on the Fire Commission representing Mercer Road Volunteer Fire Department with the term to expire December 2017. Seconded by Commis. Nedz. The vote was Lokhaiser: Yes; Nedz: Yes; Wiest: Yes; Zurzolo: Yes; Zarnick: Yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Commis. Lokhaiser to appoint Dennis Lynn as the Second Alternate on the Fire Commission representing Mercer Road Volunteer Fire Department with the term to expire December 2017. Seconded by Commis. Nedz. The vote was Lokhaiser: Yes; Nedz: Yes; Wiest: Yes; Zurzolo: Yes; Zamick: Yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Commis. Lokhaiser to appoint Daniel Thompson as the Second Alternate on the Fire Commission representing South Butler Volunteer Fire Department with the term to expire December 2017. Seconded by Commis. Nedz. The vote was Lokhaiser: Yes; Nedz: Yes; Wiest: Yes; Zurzolo: Yes; Zamick: Yes. Motion carried.

Assistant Manager McNeill presented the request for Zoning Officer Hines and Regulations Inspector Jim Sproat to attend the Multi-family Housing training being held in Monroeville at a cost of \$250.00.

Motion by Commis. Nedz to authorize the attendance of Zoning Officer Hines and Regulations Inspector Jim Sproat to the Multi-Family Housing training to be held in Monroeville, PA at a cost of \$250.00. Seconded by Commis. Lokhaiser. The vote was Lokhaiser: Yes; Nedz: Yes; Wiest: Yes; Zurzolo: Yes; Zamick: Yes. Motion carried.

There was no correspondence.

Commis. Zamick asked for public comment on any item of concern.

Mark Krenitsky, 139 Winterwood Drive, commented on cars being parked along the roadways without current registrations or current inspections. He noted that the township has an ordinance requiring cars to have a current registration and would like to see an ordinance requiring a current inspection. Solicitor Black asked Mr. Krenitsky for his reasons for the ordinance. He is concerned that because registration stickers are no longer being used, residents will have no way of knowing if a vehicle is abandoned. Solicitor Black stated that the Police Department is able to check the registration. The township currently has a policy for handling abandoned vehicles and at this time the solicitor cannot advise the township to create a policy to tow vehicles because the inspection has expired. He also commented on the R-1 and R-2 Zoning requirements.

There was no media in attendance.

Motion by Commis. Zamick to adjourn the meeting at 6:49 p.m., seconded by Commis. Zurzolo and carried unanimously.


