

A Special Meeting of the Dallas Township Board of Supervisors was held on Monday, December 30, 2019 at 3:30pm at the Municipal Building located at 105 Lieutenant Michael Cleary Drive, Dallas, Luzerne County, Pennsylvania for the purpose of presenting the final 2020 budget and any other year end business.

Those in attendance included: Supervisor Chairman Frank E. Wagner, Supervisor Vice Chairman William J. Grant, Supervisor Robert J. Wagner, Township Manager/Roadmaster, Martin K. Barry, Police Chief Douglas J. Higgins, Secretary/Treasurer, K. Gary Kirk as well as 9 other individuals.

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Citizens' Comments Concerning Agenda Items:

None.

Agenda:

Supervisor Grant discussed raising the Real Estate Property Tax and that it had not been raised for four years. The increase will cover expected increases in expenditures such as payroll and benefits as well as help cover items that were previously covered in the eliminated Fire Protection Tax. Supervisor F. Wagner made a **Motion to approve Resolution #2019-23, Raising the Real Estate Property Tax rate from 1.25 mills to 1.45 mills**, seconded by Supervisor R. Wagner and carried.

Supervisor Grant discussed the proposed 2020 budget which was previously publicized. Due to certain items related to grants not being expended during 2019, there will be a surplus in 2019 which will be carried over to the 2020 budget to balance the budget. Supervisor Grant made a **Motion to approve the 2020 Budget**, seconded by Supervisor R. Wagner and carried.

Township Manager Barry discussed that we would like to apply for a grant for the purpose of acquiring land next to the Administration Building and for site development. This would allow for more parking, improve ADA accessibility to the current Administration Building and be a location to build a new Police Station. Supervisor F. Wagner made a **Motion to approve Resolution #2019-24, Local Share Assessment Fund (Gaming Funds) Luzerne County for Dallas Township Land Acquisition and Site Development**, seconded by Supervisor Grant and carried.

Supervisor Grant discussed that Ordinance #2018-1 created the position of the Township Manager. Since the creation of the position, the actual job duties have been expanded and we need to amend the Ordinance to reflect those changes. We hope to have the amended Ordinance advertised and ready by the February meeting.

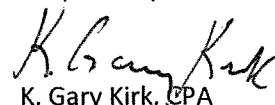
Additional Citizens' Comments:

Supervisor Grant stated that the Organization Meeting will be January 6, 2020 at 6pm. Today is Supervisor F. Wagner's last meeting and thanked him for his 51 years of service as a Supervisor. We will be welcoming back Elizabeth Martin as a Supervisor in 2020. Supervisor F. Wagner thanked everyone and really enjoyed serving.

Adjournment:

Supervisor Grant made a **Motion to adjourn**, seconded by Supervisor R. Wagner and carried. The Meeting adjourned at 3:40pm.

Respectfully submitted by,



K. Gary Kirk, CPA
Secretary/Treasurer