

A Special Meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Dallas Township was held on Tuesday, December 15, 2020 at 3:30pm in the Municipal Building located at 105 Lieutenant Michael Cleary Drive, Dallas, Luzerne County, Pennsylvania for the purpose of Opening Bids for the Salt Shed, Resolution #2020-19, the 2021 Budget, a Planning Commission Replacement and any other business

Those in attendance included: Township Manager Martin K. Barry and Township Engineer, Ryan Doughton, all who were wearing masks, had their temperature checked and also used hand sanitizer prior to the meeting. Those in attendance via GoTo Meeting/phone included: Supervisor Chairman William J. Grant, Supervisor Vice Chairman Robert J. Wagner, Supervisor Elizabeth A. Martin, Police Chief Douglas J. Higgins, Township Roadmaster Gary VanDeutsch, Alan Pugh, EMA Coordinator, Solicitor Attorney Thomas J. Mosca, and Secretary/Treasurer K. Gary Kirk. Marketing Consultant Amanda Faneck was at the Administration Building and set up Facebook Live to allow additional residents to participate in the meeting. There were about 20 other people participating through GoTo Meeting and Facebook Live.

The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Citizens' Comments Concerning Agenda Items:

None.

Agenda:

Since there are 21 bids, the bids will be opened by Township Manager Barry and Township Engineer R. Doughton, summarized and then reported later in the meeting.

Supervisor Wagner made a **Motion to approve Resolution #2020-19, A Resolution to Increase the Municipal Property Tax levy to 1.55 mills for 2021**, seconded by Supervisor Grant and carried with Supervisor Martin voting no.

Supervisor Martin made a **Motion to approve the 2021 Budget** as presented and discussed, seconded by Supervisor Wagner and carried.

Attorney Mosca discussed that we are looking at making addendums to the current Police Collective Bargaining Agreement. Addendums will include emergency scheduling, the discipling process and the chain of command. We are working with the Police Association on these items and they will be presented to the Supervisors when ready.

The Planning Commission received two very qualified applicants to fill the open position created by Walter Belchick's resignation. Daniel Mulhern's and Randall Perry's information was reviewed by the Planning Commission and they are recommending that the Supervisors appoint Daniel Mulhern. Supervisor Martin made a **Motion to appoint Daniel Mulhern to the Planning Commission**, seconded by Supervisor Wagner and carried.

Supervisor Grant stated that the Annual Organization meeting and January's regular monthly meeting will be on Monday January 4, 2021 at 6pm.

Supervisor Grant began a discussion about the upcoming snow storm. EMA Coordination Pugh stated that we are expecting 12-18 inches of snow beginning Wednesday. He recommends that the Supervisors approve a Declaration of Emergency. There was discussion concerning the traffic signals,

generators and other supplies which may be needed for the snow storm. Supervisor Martin made a **Motion to approve the Declaration of Disaster Emergency for Winter Storm Gail effective December 16, 2020**, seconded by Supervisor Wagner and carried.

Township Engineer R. Doughton read the Salt Shed bids for all three contracts. A summary of the bids is attached to the minutes. Based on the apparent low bidders, the total of all three contracts will be \$368,551. It is estimated that about \$50,000 of the contracts will be paid by DAMA. Our budget is \$310,500 based on LSA Grants received. Supervisor Wagner made a **Motion to have Township Engineer R. Doughton review the bids to verify that all requirements are met and to approve the lowest responsible bidder**, seconded by Supervisor Martin and carried.

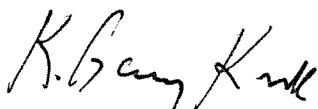
Additional Citizens' Comments:

None

Adjournment:

Supervisor Wagner made a **Motion to adjourn**, seconded by Supervisor Martin and carried. The Meeting adjourned at 4:03pm.

Respectfully submitted by,



K. Gary Kirk, CPA
Secretary/Treasurer