

**WRIGHTSTOWN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
REGULAR MEETING APRIL 16, 2018**

The Wrightstown Township Board of Supervisors met on Monday, April 16, 2018 in the Meeting Room of the Wrightstown Township Municipal Building, 2203 Second Street Pike, Wrightstown, PA. Chair Chester S. Pogonowski called the meeting to order at 7:32 P.M. Present were Vice Chair Jane B. Magne, Treasurer Robert Lloyd, Solicitor Vicki Kushto and Township Code Enforcement Officer Ted Middleman.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

On a motion by Vice Chair Magne, seconded by Chair Pogonowski, Board of Supervisors meeting minutes of March 19, 2018 and Board of Supervisors Work Session meeting minutes of March 26, 2018 were approved. Treasurer Lloyd abstained from the vote.

On a motion by Treasurer Lloyd, seconded by Vice Chair Magne, Board of Supervisors meeting minutes of April 02, 2018 were approved unanimously.

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

On a motion by Vice Chair Magne, seconded by Treasurer Lloyd, the following April 16, 2018 payments were approved unanimously:

General Fund bills	\$112,045.83
Cable Access Fund bills	463.83
JCE Sewer Fund bills	7,068.84
Open Space Bond Fund bill	186.21
TOTAL	\$119,764.71

On a motion by Vice Chair Magne, seconded by Treasurer Lloyd, the April 16, 2018 Escrow bills list for \$6,532.40 was approved unanimously.

On a motion by Vice Chair Magne, seconded by Treasurer Lloyd, the following transfers were approved unanimously.

General Fund to Payroll Fund 03/22/18	\$20,000.00
General Fund to Payroll Fund 04/06/18	\$13,000.00
General Fund to Flexible Spending Account	\$916.92
General Fund to Liquid Fuels 04/06/18	\$21,000.00
Liquid Fuels to General Fund	\$21,000.00

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- A. The Village Library will host Double Feature Movie Night on Friday, April 20. At 6:00 P.M. "Ferdinand" and at 8:00 P.M. "Jumanji: Welcome to the Jungle" will be shown.
- B. The Park and Recreation Board will host the annual Community Yard Sale on Saturday, April 28 from 8 A.M. to 1 P.M. in the Township building parking lot. The rain date will be Sunday, April 29.
- C. There was no Board of Supervisors Work Session meeting held on April 9, but there was an Executive Session held to discuss open space acquisition and personnel issues.
- D. There were no changes to the agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Arlene and Don Whitticar of Twining Ford Road, Newtown Township expressed concern about the deterioration and the amount of traffic on Worthington Mill Road Bridge. They opined that the character of the bridge should be maintained and that a larger replacement bridge would not maintain the aesthetics of the surrounding area. Chair Pogonowski stated that the bridge was a PennDOT bridge and they have proposed a new two-lane bridge with 12-foot-wide lanes. He also said that Northampton and Wrightstown Townships both opposed the PennDOT design and felt that the replacement bridge should be narrower. PennDOT has offered Northampton and Wrightstown Townships the opportunity to assume responsibility for the bridge if the communities wish to have a smaller one. Wrightstown Township has taken the position that they will not assume the responsibility for the bridge.

POLICE REPORT:

Chief Pasqualini announced the promotions of Sergeant Harris to Lieutenant Harris and Detective Bartle to Corporal Bartle. He also announced that the Newtown Township Police Department will host “Coffee with a Cop” at the Corner Bakery Café on Friday, April 20 from 8:00 to 10:30 A.M. In addition, the annual “Drug Take Back” event will be held at the Newtown Township Administrative Building on Saturday, April 28 from 10:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. There will also be a Drug Symposium and Awareness program held at the Newtown Athletic Center on Saturday, April 28 from 10:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. Chief Pasqualini gave the March 2018 police report. There were 317 calls for service and 20 traffic citations.

SOLICITOR’S REPORT:

Township Traffic Signal Modifications Bid Award. Solicitor Kushto reviewed the bids received with the Board. All bids were over the grant amount awarded to the Township. There were discussions with the low bidder, Armour & Sons Electric, about removing two action items from the bid package to make the bid amount low enough to be within the grant amount. On a motion by Vice Chair Magne, seconded by Treasurer Lloyd, the Board voted unanimously to award the bidder, Armour & Sons Electric, the job in the amount of \$115,828 on the condition that they execute a change order at the same time they execute the contract.

ENGINEER’S REPORT:

The Board accepted the Engineer’s report for March 2018.

SUPERVISORS’ COMMENTS:

On behalf of the residents, Vice Chair Magne offered condolence to the family and friends on the passing of Mary Ann Skerdlant Bernardino. Mary Ann served on the Township’s Historical Commission for 39 years and was the Commission’s secretary for most of those years. A Celebration of Life will be held for Mary Ann on Thursday, April 19 at 11 A.M. at Thompson Memorial Presbyterian Church located at 1680 Aquetong Road, New Hope.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

- A. Code/Zoning Department.** The Board received the March 2018 report. There were 21 permits issued, 21 permit inspections (2 failed inspections) and a total of \$4,629.50 in fees collected.
- B. Public Works Department.** The Board received the March 2018 report.

C. Lingohocken Fire Company Report. Chair Pogonowski reviewed the March 2018 report. There were 22 calls for service, 99 man-hours for responses, 18 man-hours for training and 36 man-hours for work detail, for a total of 153 man-hours of service to the community.

D. Planning Commission Minutes. The Board accepted the Planning Commission meeting minutes of April 12, 2018.

MANAGER'S REPORT:

There was none.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

There was none.

NEW BUSINESS:

Chair Pogonowski reviewed an item in the budget that allocated \$15,000 to fund the Lingohocken Fire Company Length of Service Appreciation Program. The Fire Company sent a request to the Township for the release of those funds. On a motion by Vice Chair Magne, seconded by Treasurer Lloyd, the disbursement of \$15,000.00 for the Lingohocken Fire Company Length of Service Appreciation Program was approved. Chair Pogonowski abstained from the vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

There was none.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

There was none.

ADJOURNMENT:

On a motion by Treasurer Lloyd, seconded by Vice Chair Magne, all voted to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 8:02 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph F. Pantano
Township Manager