LOWER SALFORD TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MINUTES WORK SESSION

January 31, 2023

Chairman Keith Bergman called the Lower Salford Township Board of Supervisor's meeting to order at 7:30 a.m. Present were Supervisors Chris Canavan, Kevin Shelly, and Dave Scheuren. Also present were Joseph Czajkowski, Township Manager; Mike Beuke, Building/Zoning Director; Doug Jones, Public Works Director; and Chief Tom Medwid, Lower Salford Township Police Department.

Chairman Bergman asked those in attendance to join him in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Doug Jones reported that staff met with Keystone Lighting and the installation contractor for a pre-construction meeting. The installation of the LED lights is scheduled for early to mid-March. The contractor will also be ordering extra inventory so should a replacement be required, we will not have to wait for the 4-6 week delivery.

Doug said that the poles for the video cameras have been installed at Reed and Roth Parks, the contract will be installing the boxes once the electricity has been run to them.

Doug said that he is recommending that the Board authorize advertisement of the 2023 base repair contract and pavement marking contract at tomorrow night's meeting. Additionally, he recommends that the Board approve the contract with Higgins and Sons, Inc. for maintenance and repair of traffic signals and streetlights.

Doug said that the low bidder for the Michigan loader has not come forward to pay for it and has ignored his calls. He is also recommending that the Board reject the bids for the piece of equipment and authorize rebidding of it on Municibid. Chief Medwid reported that discussions regarding the Bus Patrol video program are still ongoing and that he would like clarity on the issue of who is responsible for court costs should a violator take the citation to court and prevail. Right now the Township would be responsible for court costs and that would negate any financial benefit with the program. The Chief said that there was another meeting to take place in the near future where this issue is to be discussed.

The Chief said that the hiring process to fill the latest vacancy has started. The application period is in mid-March and thus far they have received 10 applications. It is anticipated that they repeat the process that they did with last year's hire and have a rolling application/interview process as necessary.

Mike Beuke reported that the department issued 35 permits in January. There is no ZHB meeting in February. He said that the item to come before the Board tomorrow night is an extension request from the Chinmaya Mission, the ALMAC Land Development review of waiver requests, 285 Maple Ave review of waiver request, 841 Main Street review of waiver request, the Preliminary/Final land development approval for the Arby's and Popeyes, the authorization to advertise the conditional use application for 610 Lederach Station Way, and authorization to advertise the repeal/replacement of the fee schedule ordinance.

Mr. Czajkowski reviewed the minutes of the January 3, 2023 Board meeting and the agenda for the February 1, 2022 regular meeting.

Supervisor Shelly thanked all of the candidates who the Board interviewed for the opening on the Board of Supervisors.

Chairman Bergman said that there was a need for a brief executive session to discuss a matter of personnel.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:54 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Joseph Czajkowski Township Manager