

Supervisor Meerman called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Other Board members present: Evelyn Coxon, Mike Dunnuck, Troy Goodno & Jan Redding.

**Agenda Approval-**

Motion by TG to approve the agenda as presented. Second-JR, motion carries.

**Public Comment-**

None

**Consent Agenda-**

Minutes of 2/11/2019.

Financial report & payment of bills.

Motion by JR to adopt the consent agenda as presented. Second-TG, motion carries.

**Township Reports-**

Community Policing-monthly report was presented

Fire Department-none

Planning Commission-February meeting was reviewed

Senior Services Board-upcoming activities reviewed

Zoning Department-written report provided to Board

**Unfinished Business-**

Park Building Project-nothing to report

**New Business-**

Budget Review-fiscal reports for 2018-19 were reviewed.

Summer Maintenance Contract-motion by JR to continue with Urban Service for mowing and landscaping contract. Second-TG, motion carries.

**Public Hearing-Budget**

The proposed budget for FY2019-2020 was reviewed, along with the General Appropriations Act and associated resolutions. Motion by GM to adopt all as presented. Second MD. Motion carries with unanimous roll call vote. Motion by JR to adopt the sewer rate resolution as presented. Second-EC. Motion carries with unanimous roll call vote.

**Public Hearing-Special Assessment District**

The cost estimates for the weed treatment were reviewed. The hearing was opened for public comment. Several residents voiced concerns over the potential for annual increases of up to 10%. One resident wanted the cost to be spread to everyone in the Township. The hearing was closed. Options were discussed that would allow for additional treatments when needed, without requiring a public hearing. The resolution was tabled to allow for possible changes. It will be reviewed again at the April meeting.

**Board Member Discussion-**

Possible road improvements on VanDyke and Conklin streets were discussed. An informational meeting on the Melbye Street paving will be held on Wednesday, March 13.

A newsletter will go out in April. Deadline for submissions is March 20.

Election Commission meeting will be held on Monday, March 18 at 6:30 p.m.

Election for Sparta Schools only will be held on Tuesday, May 7.

**Adjournment-**

Motion to adjourn at 8:15 p.m.

Janice Redding

Chester Township Clerk

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