



A REGULAR MEETING WAS HELD BY THE EAST DEER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ON THURSDAY JULY 14, 2022 AT 7:30 P.M. IN THE EAST DEER TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL BUILDING, CREIGHTON, PA.

MR. TALIANI CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

The secretary called the roll: Anthony Taliani-present; Rick Stoneburner- present; Edward Kissel- present by telephone; Joseph Novosat- present; John Nwranski- present by telephone.

MINUTES

Mr. Stoneburner moved to dispense the reading of the minutes of the June 2, 2022 regular meeting that the minutes have been posted and approved as submitted. Mr. Novosat seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

CITIZENS COMMENTS

Mr. Taliani asked if there were any citizen comments, none at this time.

COMMUNICATIONS

Mr. Taliani advised that we received a letter from the SHACOG that the bids were opened for the Cargill Salt can continue the contractual relationship and provide rock salt to our municipality based on the adjusted bid price of \$88.96 per ton. Mr. Taliani asked what we paid last year. Mrs. Carmen advised that we paid \$78 to \$79. Accountability has been good with them in the past. Mr. Novosat asked if there was a surplus from last year. Mr. Taliani advised that there is yes we do and it is stored in two places.

Mr. Taliani advised that we received a letter from Allegheny County that we have been awarded FY 2022 (year 48) COG- Wide Public Improvements Master Contract MSW006 AVNCOG- East Deer Twp. East Deer Grant Street Water Line Replacement - \$28,018.00 of CDBG funds. (project est. \$75,000.00) Mr. Taliani advised that we have done most of the water line on Grant St. few years back and this will finish out that project. We are working on getting the pricing down a little more.

Mr. Taliani advised that we received a letter from Allegheny County that we have been awarded FY 2022 (year 48) Safe Neighborhood Demolitions Program, MPD010 AVNCOG East Deer Twp. – Safe Neighborhood Demolitions - \$31,250.00 of CDBG Funds (project est. \$54,750.00). He advised that some of the properties are ready to go. We did have two of them already thru the condemnation process from a previous year. We might have 2 more to take down for a total of 4. Mr. Taliani advised that our blighted properties have mostly been taking care of. We have less vacant and blighted properties now than we have in the past.

Mr. Taliani advised received email from DCED that the 2021 DCED Annual Financial Report has been approved.

BIDS

Mr. Taliani advised that we have the SHACOG purchasing alliance- Rock Salt Bid – Cargill Inc. \$88.96 a ton for the 2022-2023 winter season. He advised that the only thing that we would need to do is give them a number of tons that we will think that we will use. We will get this price for 80% that we have to use of the number that we give. If we would go over that number, we would get 20% over at the same price. If it is over the 20% then it will be at a higher price. Mr. Taliani asked the wish of the board on Purchasing alliance with SHACOG- Rock Salt Bid – Cargill Inc, \$88.96 a ton for the 2022-2023 winter season. Mr. Novosat motioned to accept the bid of \$88.96 a ton for the winter season of 2022-2023 from Cargill Inc. Mr. Stoneburner second the motion. Mr. Taliani advised it has been regularly moved and seconded, any questions or comments, all in favor say I. Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Taliani advised that we have a bid for, Marion St. Waterline Replacement Project & Interconnect/Water Tank TRU System – PA Small Water & Sewer – Recommendation from Engineer Matthew Pitsch, Senate Engineering to the lower bidder of Protocol, LLC in the amount of \$174,959.00. He advised that this for a new water line on Marion street, and the electronics for the meter pit to the water tank. Not all of Marion Street will be done at this time, we will start at the bottom and go up the street. Mr. Pitsch is recommending Protocol LLC as the low bidder. We will have a 15% match. Mr. Taliani asked if we have motion to accept our share would be about \$30,000. Rick motioned to accept bid from Protocol LLC. in the amount of \$174,959.00. Mr. Novosat second the motion. Motion was called for a Roll Call Vote. Mr. Taliani – yes, Mr. Stoneburner – yes, Mr. Novosat – Yes, Mr. Kissel – sustained and Mr. Nwanski – sustained.

Mr. Taliani advised that we have a bid for the East Deer Recreational Facilities Improvements Phase #2 - Greenways, Trails and Recreation program - Recommendation from Engineer Matthew Pitsch, Senate Engineering, recommend awarding only the base bid to low bidder Pampena Landscaping and Construction in the amount of \$55,360. The grant is for \$50,000 with a 15% match, this is a state program. Mr. Pitsch advised that this is the base bid. Mr. Taliani advised that he thinks it would be ridiculous to except bid to put the roof on the gazebo at the walking track. Mr. Taliani advised that our public works department can do that themselves. He advised that we want to max out the bid and will look at maybe some more tree trimming. Mr. Pitsch advised also that we would look at replacing some wood on the benches. Mr. Novosat motion to accept the bid by Pampena in the amount of \$55,360.00. Mr. Stoneburner second the bid with question, question on the math error on the bid? Mr. Pitsch advised that math error was done on the base bid, it was the way that the bidder had written it in on the paper work. Mr. Stoneburner asked then these are the actual numbers. Mr. Pitsch advised that yes they are. Mr. Taliani advised it has been regularly moved and seconded, any questions or comments, all in favor say I. Motion passed unanimously.

RESOLUTIONS – ORDINANCES

No Resolutions or Ordinances

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. Nwanski nothing to report

Mr. Novosat - compliments to Tom and Dan on the grass and weed eating that everything looks nice.

Mr. Kissel nothing to report

Mr. Stoneburner nothing to report.

Mr. Taliani nothing to report

OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Taliani would like to discuss towing in East Deer township towing, we have always had with police access for someone to do the towing and it does not cost anything to the township. The objective was very simple, get the wreck cleaned up and the road open as soon as possible. We have been using 2 vendors for the past few years and have used up to 4 before. I think it is time to take a look and reevaluate the whole thing. I think we should solicit some RFP's. We use Terry's and Bastin's at this time. We alternate month to month. Mr. Stoneburner asked what we are looking for, what they can offer to us and provide for the township. Mr. Taliani, yes that they have salvage yard, state police, equipment, full service that they can handle day to day, tractor trailers and even trains. Mr. Alexander advised that we can send out to companies since we are requesting proposal and put on the website. Mr. Stoneburner motioned to solicit for towing on what services they can provide in a RPF. Mr. Novosat second the motion. Mr. Taliani advised it has been regularly moved and seconded, any questions or comments, all in favor say I. Motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Taliani advised that we have a request for approval of Payment #3 from the PA Small Water & Sewer grant for Engineering & LB Water Service in the amount of \$42,124.08 85% of total. (total \$49,557.75). This is for work that we have already done at the meter pit on the main water meter. This was done at the vault with Tarentum. Mr. Stoneburner motioned to approve Payment request number three in the amount of \$42,124.08 85% of total. (total \$49,557.75). Mr. Novosat second the motion. Mr. Taliani advised it has been regularly moved and seconded, any questions or comments, all in favor say I. Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Taliani advised that he would like to discuss the burnt out house at 163 Freeport Road. This has been bothersome and I think that the code office has dropped the ball on this. There has been given no information, no money for the escrow from the insurance company and they are in violation of our ordinance. They could be fined up to \$1,000 a day. Mr. Stoneburner and Mr. Bertolini advised that there is an ongoing investigation with expected arson, as far as we have been told that nothing has been determined yet. The insurance money has not been given yet because of the open investigation.

BILLS

Mr. Taliani asked the wish of the board on the monthly bills presented by the Township Secretary. Mr. Kissel motioned to pay all bills presented by the Township Secretary. Mr. Stoneburner 2nd the motion. Mr. Taliani advised it has been regularly moved and seconded, any questions or comments, all in favor, say I. Motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Taliani asked for a motion to adjourn. Question from Barb Watson (785 Keller Alley) When will we be able to get a water meter? I have a house on Meadow Ave that we are close to be ready to sale and it needs a meter. Mr. Taliani asked why she needs a meter, Barb advised that the meter froze and broke. It has been months. Mr. Taliani and Mr. Stoneburner asked Mr. Bertolini, do we have any meters? He advised that we do not at this time that he was awaiting approval to order them. Barb advised the property is vacant at this time and this will be one of the last things needed to be able to put it on the market. Mr. Taliani asked how long will it take. Mr. Bertolini advised that it depends. He will make the call and find out. Mr. Taliani advised that he has

an extra one that he can bring in that is a new meter. Mr. Stoneburner advised to get the price for 10 and let him and Mr. Taliani know and then we will be able to order.

Mr. Stoneburner motioned to Adjourn. Mr. Novosat 2nd the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting Adjourned: 8:00 PM

Board Chairman

Township Secretary