

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE
TOWNSHIP OF STOWE, COUNTY OF ALLEGHENY, COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA,
HELD ON TUESDAY, April 14, 2020, via Zoom due to COVID-19

The Regular Monthly Meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Stowe was held on Tuesday, April 14, 2020, via Zoom conference call.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Parrilla.

ROLL CALL: Present were Commissioners Derzic, Parrilla, Cropper-Hall, Chestnutt, and Rugh. Commissioners Glowacki, and McDermott were absent Also, present were Solicitor Bradley Matta, Police Chief Matthew Preininger, Ordinance Officer Harry Seretti, Engineer Veronica Bennett and Secretary Nicholas Martini.

COMMENTS OF CITIZENS: None

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Finance/Pension: Commissioner Cropper-Hall report that a separate bank account will be set up to hold police vacation and personal time funds to be paid out each December, this will be set up once banks reopen after the COVID-19 pandemic is over, and as more tax revenue comes in

Public Works/Parks: Commissioner Rugh reported what the Public Works department completed in March as well as hiring 2 summer employees once the pandemic is over to help get work done during the summer months. Blighted and abandoned houses are being looked at as well.

Police: Chief Preininger discussed the monthly police report as well as a Homicide over weekend that was not a township resident, as well as discussing 2 arrests on Ridge Ave with 2 guns and heroin being seized.

Fire/Safety: Commissioner Chestnutt gave the March volunteer fire report was read, mainly medical calls.

Ordinance/Zoning: Ordinance Officer Harry Seretti report with 45 citations being issued most of which are pending there being no court at the moment, they will be filed as soon as court reopens, calls are continuing to come in and being looked at as received.

Property/buildings/light/water/health/sanitation/stormwater: No report

BDAC: Town Center Associates will be done after May 2020, some business owners are not happy with that decision, but Commissioners felt it was time to move on from their services.

ENGINEERS REPORT: A GEDTF grant was applied for through Allegheny County in the amount of \$490,336 and was due on April 15, 2020.

Also discussing was a comprehensive plan to pave around \$200,000 worth of Township streets, alleys, and a municipal lot on Race Street. All of this is preliminary and will be discussing at future meetings and among Commissioners. Engineer Bennett also discussed reaching out to Westview Water authority regarding paving restoration work that they need to either pay for, or coordinate with Columbia Gas, and road repair being done on Main Street.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT: Solicitor Matta just mentioned that no water can be shut off during the current COVID-19 pandemic, however any accounts that were previously terminated are not required to be restored until all bills are paid. Also, Solicitor Matta mentioned that he is working on

the panhandling ordinance and the street opening ordinance and we should be able to vote on these at the May 12th meeting for approval.

ITEMS FOR APPROVAL: Motion by Rugh, seconded by Cropper-Hall, to approve Items No. 1 to 3, listed below, items 1-3 were approved by a 5-0 vote with all Commissioners voting yes.

1. Motion to approve March 10, 2020 meeting minutes.
2. Motion to approve Ordinance #1013 amending the time to begin and end maintenance and construction work zones that creates excess noise.
3. Motion to approve Resolution #3-2020 allowing for application for GEDTF grant through Redevelopment Authority of Allegheny County in the amount of \$490,336.00

RECEIPTS:

	<u>SOURCE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
\$33,383.69	Jordan Tax Service	Earned Income Tax
\$247,779.34	Jordan Tax Service	Real Estate Tax Collection
\$18,744.34	Jordan Tax Service	Local Services Tax Collection
\$7,511.07	Jordan Tax Service	Mercantile Tax Collection
\$2,168.25	Allegheny County	Real Estate Transfer Tax Collection
\$1,740.64	Allegheny County/PA	DUI Fines
\$1,935.98	District Magistrate	Fines
\$1,888.15	Banking	Interest Earnings
\$31,751.81	Comm. PA	Sales Tax distribution (RAD)
\$9,288.64	Creditech	Delinquent Sewage
\$9,536.28	Keystone Collections	Delinquent Real Estate Tax Collection
\$18,625.00	Char-West COG	Reimb. 2018 Overpayment of Demo Project

Motion by Chestnutt, seconded by Rugh to accept receipts, was approved, by an 5-0 vote.

LIST OF BILLS: Motion by Cropper-Hall, seconded by Chestnutt, approve payment of March 2020 Bill List totaling \$100,970.51 from the General Fund, was approved, by an 5-0 vote.

President's Comment: Please remember to wash your hands and stay safe during this period of time

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Rugh seconded by Cropper-Hall, at 7:40 p.m. was approved.


Township Secretary


President, Board of Commissioners