

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, November 10, 2020, IN THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING,
555 BROADWAY AVENUE, MC KEES ROCKS, PA 15136.

The Regular Monthly Meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Stowe was held on Tuesday, November 10, 2020, in the Municipal Building, 555 Broadway Avenue, Mc Kees Rocks, PA 15136.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Parrilla, who led in the Pledge of Allegiance, then a Moment of Silence in honor of all Veterans and First Responders.

ROLL CALL: Present were Commissioners Parrilla, Derzic, Cropper-Hall, Glowacki, Chestnutt, and Rugh. Commissioner McDermott was absent. Also, present were Solicitor Krisha DiMascio, Township Engineer Veronica Mowry, and Secretary Nicholas Martini.

COMMENTS OF CITIZENS: None

ENGINEERS REPORT: Township Engineer Veronica Mowry discussed the following items: Race Street parking, and Woodward Ave parking lots have been completed and final pay order of \$43,263.23 was approved for payment to Sciarretti Site Development and Paving, additionally \$19,900.00 was also approved for payment to Sciarretti Site Development and Paving for work done on the unnamed alley paving. The Fleming Avenue Stormwater Improvement Project is nearing competition, but the contractor has not been doing any work. Work is expected to be continued if possible, legal action may need to be taken if necessary, or project extension may also be required ALCOSAN will agree to any extension due to these circumstances. The tunnel way project grant extension approved, Allegheny Places SALDO grant is now in 45-day public review period, a public hearing will follow and notice will be advertised in December, Curling Club work is near completion pending some final inspections, and will work with Solicitor to get the sewers tied and close out this project. Application was submitted to the PA DCED for a blight remediation grant to help the township tear down blighted and abandoned properties 7 properties were included in this grant for a request of \$129,000.00. Also 2 blighted properties were put into a COG blight remediation grant through the Char-West COG, we should find out in the coming months if we will receive any funding for these grant applications.

ITEMS FOR APPROVAL: Motion by Rugh, seconded by Glowacki, to approve Items No. 1 to 13 listed below, items 1-13 were approved by a 6-0 vote with all Commissioners voting yes.

1. Motion to approve October 13, 2020 meeting minutes.
2. Motion to advertise for meeting to approve 5-year cable franchise contract with Verizon.
3. Motion to present the 2021 Proposed Budget and advertise its availability for review
4. Motion to advertise, for adoption at the December 8th meeting, Ordinance No. 1031 an ordinance establishing the 2021 tax rate at 10.48 mills (General Fund 7.68 mills and sinking fund 2.80 mills)
5. Motion to approve Resolution #6/2020 allowing the Char-West COG to apply for Allegheny County CDBG funds for Stowe Ave ADA curb replacement projects.

6. Motion to approve Resolution #7/2020 allowing the Char-West COG to apply for Allegheny County CDBG funds for Township wide catch basin repair projects.
7. Motion to approve Resolution #8/2020 allowing the Char-West COG to apply for Allegheny County CDBG funds for Township wide demolition of blighted structures.
8. Motion to approve Resolution #9/2020 allowing the Char-West COG to apply for Allegheny County CDBG funds for slum and blight demolition
9. Motion to approve payment of \$19,900 from the Road Fund to Sciarretti Site Development & Paving for road repair done in alleyway.
10. Motion to approve pay request #2 in the amount of \$ 43,263.23 From the Road Fund to Sciarretti Site Development & Paving for final payment on parking lot paving project
11. Motion to approve 3% raises for Township Secretary, Assistant Secretary, and Police department administrative Assistant effective January 1, 2021.
12. Motion to approve \$3/hour pay raise for part-time police officer Jonathan Short effective January 1, 2021.
13. Motion to approve transfer of \$125,101.00 from the rainy-day fund to the general fund to balance the 2021 budget

RECEIPTS:

	<u>SOURCE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
\$11,733.08	Jordan Tax Service	Earned Income Tax
\$4,287.97	Jordan Tax Service	Real Estate Tax Collection
\$2079.61	Jordan Tax Service	Mercantile Tax Collection
\$2686.47	Jordan Tax Service	Local Services Tax Collection
\$970.93	Jordan Tax Service	Business Privilege Tax Collection
\$3,177.65	Allegheny County	Real Estate Transfer Tax Collection
\$170.99	Allegheny County/PA	DUI Fines
\$3,172.30	District Magistrate	Fines
\$635.39	Banking	Interest Earnings
\$24,938.81	Comm. PA	Sales Tax distribution (RAD)
\$9,375.07	Creditech	Delinquent Sewage
\$29,199.54	Keystone Collections	Delinquent Real Estate Tax Collection
\$4,021.27	Sto-Rox School District	Crossing Guard Reimbursement
\$2,025.99	Comm. PA	PURTA Distribution Payment
\$4,425.98	Allegheny County	Snow Removal Contract Payment

Motion by Rugh, seconded by Cropper-Hall to accept receipts, was approved, by an 6-0 vote.

LIST OF BILLS: Motion by Cropper-Hall, seconded by Derzic approve payment of October 2020 Bill List totaling \$ 106,136.96 from the General Fund, was approved, by an 6-0 vote.

Motion by Rugh, seconded by Glowacki, to approve payment of the Sewage Fund October 2020 Bill List totaling \$5,077.75 was approved by an 6-0 vote.

President's Comment: Budget has been completed after many works of working on it, overall, the township is doing well financially, 5-6 blighted houses were torn down this year, as well as 2 residential parking lots being paved board will discuss in upcoming months how to utilize them for residents and after making Race Street parking on one side of the street only.

Happy Thanksgiving to all.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Rugh seconded by Chestnutt, at 7:15 p.m. was approved.



Township Secretary



President, Board of Commissioners