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, December 8, 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, December 8, 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.

<u>ROLL CALL</u>: Present were Commissioners Parrilla, Derzic, Cropper-Hall, Glowacki, and Chestnutt. Commissioners Rugh, McDermott were absent. Also, present were Solicitor Bradley Matta, Township Engineer Veronica Mowry, and Secretary Nicholas Martini.

<u>COMMENTS OF CITIZENS</u>: Resident Lawrence Johnston of Pleasant Ridge had complaints about people parking in front of his driveway for extended periods of time, and he wants to paint yellow lines on the curbs to prevent this from occurring on a regular basis. President Parrilla said he is going to speak with The Housing Authority chief of police and well as Stowe Chief Preininger to see what can be done about this, and President Parrilla urged Mr. Johnston to hold off any action until he has a few days to talk to the police bodies to try and get this matter resolved.

ENGINEERS REPORT: Township Engineer Veronica Mowry discussed the following items: Final pay order of \$4,662.00 was approved for payment to Sciarretti Site Development and Paving for work done on the unnamed alley paving. Township is requested to award 2020 CDBG catch basin repair project to Gregor Contracting in the amount of \$51,287.40 as they were the lowest bidder, the grant amount from the COG is \$51,250.00. 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.

<u>ITEMS FOR APPROVAL</u>: Motion by Glowacki, seconded by Derzic, to approve Items No. 1 to 15 listed below, items 1-15 were approved by a 5-0 vote with all Commissioners voting yes.

- 1. Motion to approve November 10, 2020 meeting minutes.
- 2. Motion to approve Ordinance #1032 authorizing a 5-year cable franchise contract with Verizon.
- 3. Motion to approve Ordinance No. 1031 an ordinance establishing the 2021 tax rate at 10.48 mills (General Fund 7.50 mills and sinking fund 2.98 mills)
- 4. Motion to approve the 2021 Township General Fund Budget

- 5. Motion to approve and advertise 2021 Township meetings and Planning Commission meeting schedule
- 6. Motion to transfer \$142,126.41 from Liquid Fuels account to General Fund
- 7. Motion to transfer \$300,000.00 from Earned Income Tax Account to General Fund
- Motion to approve resolution #10/2020 approving Thomas Taylor to purchase 907 Russellwood Ave through the Allegheny County side yard and blighted structure program
- 9. Motion to approve payment of \$4,662.00 to Sciarretti Site Development and paving for alley paving project
- 10. Motion to approve payment of \$105,845.00 to Gallagher Insurance Co. for 2021 Township general insurance, and workers compensation coverage.
- 11. Motion to approve a Meritorious bonus for Public Works employee Dan Burkhart in the amount of \$3,000.00
- 12. Motion to approve Land sub division Ordinance
- 13. Motion to award Catch Basin repair project to Gregor Contracting for a cost of \$51,287.40. COG grant award is \$51,250.00
- 14. Motion to enter agreement with The Computer Guys for IT services for township and police department for 2021 for the amount of \$2,880.00
- 15. Motion to hire Nicholas Price as a part-time police officer.

RECEIPTS:

	SOURCE	DESCRIPTION
\$85,734.68	Jordan Tax Service	Earned Income Tax
\$10,396.19	Jordan Tax Service	Real Estate Tax Collection
\$12,016.96	Allegheny County	Real Estate Transfer Tax Collection
\$689.17	Allegheny County/PA	DUI Fines
\$2,002.04	District Magistrate	Fines
\$537.61	Banking	Interest Earnings
\$27,044.24	Comm. PA	Sales Tax distribution (RAD)
\$21,442.81	Creditech	Delinquent Sewage
\$2,186.89	Keystone Collections	Delinquent Real Estate Tax Collection
\$23,407.34		
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Motion by Chestnutt, seconded by Cropper-Hall to accept receipts, was approved, by an 5-0 vote.

<u>LIST OF BILLS</u>: Motion by Cropper-Hall, seconded by Glowacki approve payment of November 2020 Bill List totaling \$ 97,086.75 from the General Fund, was approved, by an 5-0 vote.

Motion by Derzic, seconded by Chestnutt, to approve payment of the Sewage Fund November 2020 Bill List totaling \$1,557.58 was approved by an 5-0 vote.

President's Comment: Happy Holidays to All! Stay Safe!

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Cropper-Hall seconded by Derzic, at 7:24 p.m. was approved.

Township Secretary

President, Board of Commissioners