

COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES

STOWE TOWNSHIP MEETING

January 13&14, 2024 6:00 pm

STOWE TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL BUILDING

555 BROADWAY AVENUE, MCKEES ROCKS, PA 15136

WORKSHOP MEETING ATTENDEES: Commissioners C. McDermott; D. Chestnutt; J. Paul; T. Kochirka; Police Chief M. Preininger; Ordinance T. Turino; Engineer J. Marcink; Secretary J. Bailey

ABSENT FROM WORKSHOP MEETING: Commissioner R. Parrilla, Fire Chief M. Chapman; Public Works D. Burkhardt

VOTING MEETING ATTENDEES: Commissioners T. Kochirka, J. Paul, D. Chestnutt, C. McDermott; Township Secretary J. Bailey; Solicitor B. Matta

ABSENT FROM VOTING MEETING: Commissioner R. Parrilla

The commissioners' workshop meeting was called to order at 6:00pm by President McDermott with the pledge of allegiance and a moment of silence for police, fire, EMS. The voting meeting was called to order at 6:00pm.

PUBLIC COMMENTS (from Workshop meeting)

Doug Black- 849 Hober Ave- Walks everywhere noticing that there is trash everywhere, ie: side streets, alleyways. Wanted to know if there was a way that the townspeople could help out; ie; call and point it out

Ron Krause- 640 Woodward Ave- Complained about neighbor's trash but doesn't want township to go clean it. Wants to have the landlord penalized. Also snow removal on sidewalks, how long after it snows should someone wait to clear it off?

REPORTS

FINANCE – Report given by Commissioner McDermott

PUBLIC WORKS – Presented by Commissioner Chestnutt

POLICE – Presented by Police Chief Preininger

FIRE DEPARTMENT – Presented by Commissioner Kochirka

ORDINANCE – Present by Ordinance T. Turino

PLANNING COMMITTEE –No meeting was scheduled in December or is currently scheduled in January.

SOLICITOR – Report given by Solicitor B. Matta

ENGINEER – Presented by Engineer J. Marcink.

OLD BUSINESS:

[APPROVED / DENY] regular Board Meeting Minutes from the December 9 & 10, 2024 meeting

Motion to approve all Unfinished business was made by Commissioner Kochirka; 2nd by Commissioner J. Paul. Roll call – all approved 4 – Yes 0 – No 0 - Abstained

NEW BUSINESS

- A. **[APPROVED / DENY]** motion: to approve A. Merante Contracting, Inc. Pay Request No. 1 in the amount of \$343,451.50 for work completed to date on Contract 2024-03.
- B. **[APPROVED / DENY]** motion: to approve A. Merante Contracting, Inc. Change Order No. 1 in the amount of \$309,597.78, with a 150-day time extension to extend the Contract to May 30, 2025.
- C. **[APPROVED / DENY]** motion: to approve Ackenheil Engineers, Inc Invoice No. 3 in the amount of \$1,500.00
- D. **[APPROVED / DENY]** motion: to discuss Turnley group and keeping them through 2025
- E. **[APPROVED / DENY]** motion: to adopt a Resolution approving the acquisition and subsequent disposition of vacant property
- F. **[APPROVED / DENY]** motion: to approve to pay RHH Contracting LLC for work completed in Police Station for \$4,500.00 putting in baseboard
- G. **[APPROVED / DENY]** motion: to accept the Civil Service Commission activity report

Motion to approve A, C-G New business was made by Commissioner Kochirka; 2nd by Commissioner D. Chestnutt. Roll call – Commissioners Kochirka, McDermott, Paul approved A, C-G. No on B. (asked for an executive session to discuss items)
4– Yes – No 0 - Abstained

RECEIPTS

	SOURCE	DESCRIPTION
\$ 685.70	Creditech	Collection- Delinquent Sewage
\$ 860.00	Occupancy Permit	Occupancy permits
\$ 700.00	Municipal Lien Letter	Municipal lien letters
\$ 90.00	Police Accident Report	Accident Reports
\$ 150.00	Handicap Permits	Permits
\$ 60.00	Building Permits	Dumpster/Building permits
\$ 1,294.82	Magistrate Fines	Oct 2024 fines
\$ 486.00	Misc Revenue	Columbia Gas 2024 DD Refund
\$ 3,550.00	Street Opening	WVWA Street Opening
\$ 4,981.47	Agh Co Salt Agreement	2024/2025 Snow Ice Agreement
\$ 909.18	Allegheny County	Dui Fines Nov 2024
\$ 3,049.15	Keystone Collects	Delinquent Real Estate
\$ 34,161.19	Jordan Tax Service	Local Earned Income Tax
\$ 7,388.34	Jordan Tax Service	Real Estate Tax Collections
\$ 100,786.45	PAMS	Utilities Collections
\$ 211.15	PNC Merchant	Merchant Deposit from Credit Card Sales
\$ 31,966.14	Comm of PA	Comm of PA
\$ 5,864.32	Corporate ACH	Allegheny Admin 274
\$ 35.73	Corporate ACH	Card Settlement Healthcare
\$ 2,691.00	Corporate ACH	Treasury 310
\$ 2,992.50	PA-OAG OT	Danet Sept/Oct 2024 Reimbursement
\$ 600,000.00	Deposit	Deposit from EIT Account

[APPROVED/DENY] motion to approve receipt of December 2024 funds Totaling
\$802,913.14

Motion to approve all Unfinished business was made by Commissioner J. Paul; 2nd by Commissioner T. Kochirka. Roll call – Commissioners Kochirka, McDermott, Paul, Chestnutt approved

4 – Yes – No 0 - Abstained

LISTS OF BILLS

[APPROVED / DENY] Motion to approve payment of December bills Totaling
\$858,289.19

Motion to approve all Unfinished business was made by Commissioner T. Kochirka; 2nd by Commissioner J. Paul. Roll call – Commissioners McDermott, Chestnutt, Kochirka, Paul all approved

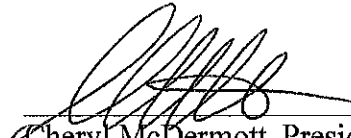
4 – Yes 0 – No 0 - Abstained

MEETING ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Commissioner C. McDermott; 2nd by Commissioner D. Chestnutt to adjourn. All approved. Meeting was adjourned at 6:08pm to go into executive session not to return

(Workshop meeting adjournment was at 6:40pm going into executive session not to return)

Jenifer Bailey, Township Secretary



Cheryl McDermott, President
Stowe Township Commissioners