

Pocopson Township

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Board of Supervisors Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, November 12, 2014
5:30 PM

This meeting is the fourth and final Work Session for the 2015 budget.

In attendance were Supervisors Brutscher, Leonard and Stumpo, Public Works Director Mark Knightly, and Treasurer Peggy Lennon.

Stumpo called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM.

Residents in attendance: zero

Announcements: Brutscher announced that she will meet with Karen Marshall (Historic Preservation Officer of the Chester County Planning Commission) and Richard Jensen (Wawaset Road Park Project Manager) on November 21 to discuss applying for grants that may be available when the Barnard House receives a Historic Resources designation. Renovation costs for specific projects such as floors or windows might be eligible for grant funding (Township would pay 50%, grant would pay 50%) so long as the renovations observe certain historic "rules" as to façade, materials, etc.

Public Works: A study/review of overall human resources needs will be helpful to identify whether an additional employee should be hired, skills and versatility needed to operate multiple types of equipment and perform a variety of tasks, vs. outsourcing additional work (beyond paving and major road repairs which are currently outsourced).

Capital Reserve account: 2015 expenses are mainly for equipment; emphasis in 2016 and 2017 will be paving with more modest equipment purchases.

Other business:

- Brief discussion of how the 926 bridge repair will affect Pocopson's budget in terms of signage, traffic, etc. Knightly expects minimal impact here, significantly more in Birmingham.
- Leonard will check with BeaconNet about hosting the Schoolhouse web site along with the Township web site; more cost-effective than separate hosts?
- Brief discussion of whether it is possible to consider trails as active (rather than passive) recreation. Stumpo will speak with Sue Elks from the Chester


County Planning Commission, who has suggested that perhaps Pocopson could effect this change by updating our ordinances.

- Brutscher noted that educational programs to be offered at the Schoolhouse may generate income from school field trips
- Leonard will draft a reply to resident Sean Rafferty noting several public budget work session, Board meetings, with no expressed opposition to the EIT increase
- Leonard plans to resign from the Planning Commission effective January 2015
- Brutscher will paint large paint color sample swatches at the Barnard House on Sunday, 11/15; assistance and opinions are welcome
- Knightly announced that paving has started at the roundabout and the Red Bridge scour project is complete

Proposed 2015 Budget:

Motion: Brutscher moved, Stumpo seconded, to advertise the Proposed 2015 Township budget as available for inspection beginning Tuesday, 11/18/14 with the Board's intention to adopt the final budget at their regular meeting of 12/7/2014.

Meeting was closed at 6:30 PM.



Peggy Lennon, Treasurer



Ricki Stumpo, Chair