Silver Lake Township Regular Meeting November 7, 2016

Francis Fruehan called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM and called for a salute to the Flag.

The minutes from the October meeting were read and approved on a motion made by Evan Everitt and seconded by Butch DeLousia, all approved.

The Treasurer report was read, approved and held for audit on a motion made by Evan Everitt and seconded by Butch DeLousia, all approved.

Public Comment: Francis Fruehan said the Supervisors have a candidate for the Chief of Police. Andrew Genneken is a county sherrif's deputy, a part time police officer with the Borough of Montrose, and in the past has worked as a part time police officer for our township in the past. If an appointment is offered and accepted, he would be resigning from the Sherriff's Department, and will begin training with Interim Police Chief Mike Hornak as a part time officer until the end of the year, and will become full time no later than January 2, 2017.

Francis Fruehan asked if there were any other questions or comments. Angel Kublo asked if he would have the same holiday as the other township employees. It was explained he would. The labor attorney drafted the handbook. A resident asked what the hours would be. Francis Fruehan explained the police schedule will vary. Francis Fruehan made a motion to offer Andrew Genneken the full-time position as Chief of Police at an hourly rate of \$18.25 with the same holidays, vacation and insurance benefits offered to other township employees. This will be outlined in the Silver Lake Township Police Officers Handbook, prepared by our labor attorney. Evan Everitt seconded, all approved. Francis Fruehan will present Mr. Genneken with a letter to sign accepting the position and acknowledging receipt of the handbook. Mike Hornak will work with him until he is ready to be full-time.

Evan Everitt reviewed the bids for the items advertised on Auctions International. The 1979 AM General truck was sold for \$11,200; exceeding the \$10,000 counteroffer proposed at the October meeting. Evan Everitt was happy with this price and made a motion to accept, Butch DeLousia seconded, all approved.

Evan Everitt would like to advertise the 1985 Chevy pickup with the 8 Ft. snowplow and a 1979 AM General truck/tractor which was used as a parts truck. Evan Everitt made a motion to put the two trucks on Auctions International, Butch DeLousia seconded, all approved.

Evan Everitt spoke about lengthening the frame on the township's 2008 military freightliner and adding a push axle. The estimated cost for this project would be \$10,000 and he would like to purchase a 17 ½ foot dump body at a cost of \$14,364. Evan Everitt made a motion to purchase the dump body through M & C Truck Equipment with payment for this would coming from the Equipment Fund, Butch DeLousia seconded, all approved.

Francis Fruehan explained the 2017 Budget presentation was in advertised in the Susquehanna County Independent and will be presented. The **proposed** Budget will be available for public inspection by appointment at the township building. The Budget will be adopted at the December 2016 regular township meeting at 7:00 PM. At the December meeting, Budget Resolutions will be adopted for the actual income and spending for the 2016 Act 13 funds as well as the estimated income and spending for 2017 Act 13 money. Francis Fruehan presented the proposed 2017 Budget for all Funds with a total combined millage of 10.58, which is the same as last year. After deducting the 1.7 mill Act 13 tax credit, the net millage will be 8.88, which is a 0.6 mill increase from last year. Since the township received approximately \$79,000 less Act 13 revenue in 2016 than in 2015, with even less revenue expected in 2017, the Act 13 tax reduction was reduced from \$100,000 to \$75,000, which reduced the Act 13 tax credit from from 2.3 mills in 2016 to 1.7 mills in 2017.

Evan Everitt gave the road report. Finishing road maintenance, Pops Hobby Lake Road and Snow Hollow Road have to be topped. The quarry is having difficulties getting the DSA material approved.

Assessment Permits – One for Edwina Harvilchuck for a shed on Route 167.

Driveway Permits - none

Butch DeLousia made a motion to pay the bills as submitted, Evan Everitt seconded, all approved.

As no further business was presented, Evan Everitt made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Butch DeLousia seconded, all approved.

Sandy Brink Secretary Supervisors Present: Francis Fruehan Evan Everitt Richard DeLousia