

MEETING FRIDAY 2-16-2024, 10:00 A.M.  
Municipal Bldg. 306 Byron Street McGrann

In attendance: Supervisors Palmer, Southworth and Hecker, Chief Robbins and Secretary Davis by phone

Citizens: Connie Jerich, Jerich Insurance and Dennis Phillips from the Leader Times

Meeting called to order by Chairman Palmer at 10:00A.M. followed by the pledge of allegiance.

Minutes of 2/7/2024 regular meeting were distributed, motion to approve by Southworth, seconded by Hecker, no public comment heard, unanimous.

Connie Jerich was at the meeting for insurance renewal quotes. Glatfelter no longer offers cyber liability insurance but if we renew with Glatfelter Connie has a company that does offer cyber insurance, we would need to complete the application. Glatfelter renewal without worker's compensation and cyber liability would be \$39,992.00. EMC insurance does not offer heart and lung coverage unless they write all the township's workers compensation coverage. EMC does offer a dividend program based on municipal claims for the year. EMC with all worker's compensation, heart and lung and our regular insurance would be \$73,436.00. Our current policy ends on March 1<sup>st</sup> so need to decide quickly. Palmer said about the heart and lung claim that was denied, he said you only have to file a worker's compensation claim it does not have to be approved. Connie stated the way heart and lung is designed to work is for it to pay the 1/3 of wages that worker's compensation does not cover and the worker's compensation claim has to be approved before heart and lung picks anything up. Connie stated cyber is the fastest growing crime in the insurance industry. Palmer made a motion to renew coverage with Glatfelter and then look for options, seconded by Southworth, no public comment heard, unanimous. Hecker stated we do not want to advertise we do not have cyber coverage.

Southworth made a motion to pay \$30.00 each for Rice and Evans annually for a KEMA membership, seconded by Hecker, no public comment heard, unanimous.

Rice and Evans would like to attend the Emergency Management Seminar on April 14<sup>th</sup> at a cost of \$125.00 per person and lodging. Southworth made a motion to send them to the seminar at \$125.00 per person and pay for lodging, seconded by Hecker, no public comment heard, unanimous.

Palmer stated there is a lot of speculation and anger about the sale of Lenape Heights Resort. Palmer stated they are all rumors and we have very little information at this time except they applied for a building permit. The Board will meet with the new owners on Tuesday at noon and hopefully will get information to release.

Executive Session from 10:19 to 10:47 for personnel matters and benefits.

Palmer made a motion to change our policy to pay 100% of the benefits for all full-time maintenance, secretary, and police officers not in the bargaining agreement, seconded by Hecker, no public comment heard, unanimous.

Southworth made a motion to create 2 Sargent positions in the police department, seconded by Hecker, no public comment heard, unanimous.

Palmer made a motion to promote Lazon and Rensel to Sargent's with \$1.00 an hour raise effective immediately, seconded by Southworth, no public comment heard, unanimous.

Comments:

Phillips – ask how many employees the insurance would cover; Palmer told him 9. Ask the date when Lenape closed, Palmer told him do not have the exact date just they applied for a building permit. Ask what Jerich's quote covered, Palmer told him building, vehicles and all our liability insurances. He ask why we are looking at new carriers, Palmer told him price.

Robbins – stated he has received compliments on Shook & Selenkovic's professionalism and on Rensel for a criminal case she handled. The family of River Schafer sent a thank you card.

Other Business:

Discussed advertising a solar ordinance. Palmer made a motion to advertise a solar ordinance as soon as we receive it from the Solicitor, seconded by Hecker, no public comment heard, unanimous.

Motion to pay the bills by Southworth and give the Secretary the right to pay all bills until the next meeting, seconded by Palmer, no public comment heard, unanimous.

Motion to adjourn by Southworth, seconded by Hecker, unanimous.  
Adjourned at 10:54A.M.

Jill A. Davis, Secretary