Lower Milford Township

Lehigh County, Pennsylvania
Board of Supervisors
October 6, 2022, Workshop Meeting
MINUTES

Present: Ellen Koplin, Vice-Chair; Lowell Linde, Supervisor; Emily Fucci, Township Administrator; Stacy Smith, Township Secretary; and 4 members of the Public.

The meeting was convened at 6:30 PM by Koplin.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Recommendation was made by Township Treasurer to transfer partial Fire Funds and partial General Funds to PLGIT Term Accounts that would offer a better interest rate.

Motion by Linde to authorize transfer from both the Fire and General Funds into PLGIT Term Accounts. Seconded by Koplin. 2 Ayes.

Motion by Linde to authorize advertisement of the intent to hire a CPA for the 2022 Audit. Seconded by Koplin. 2 Ayes.

Fire Company representative Ed Bendekovitz discussed the 2023 Budget for the Lower Milford Township Fire Company #1, including a breakdown of expected future equipment expenditures. It is the recommendation from the Fire Company that the Township consider raising the fire tax to fund the equipment replacement.

Koplin explained that DCED offers help creating strategies for fire services funding and requires a letter of intent to send by the Township to initiate their technical assistance.

Motion by Linde to complete the letter of intent and supply it to the DCED. Seconded by Koplin. 2 Ayes.

Review of First Draft of the 2023 Budget took place. Fucci discussed some of the changes from the 2022 Budget.

During public comment, Bendekovitz requested more clarity regarding the Letter of Intent to the DCED. Koplin stated the Township will be reaching out to them to for assistance in planning for future fire service needs.

Dale Koplin raised the question as to who is responsible for the replacement costs for grinder pumps within the Limeport WWTP area. Koplin responded by saying that other than damage caused by the homeowner's misuse, it is the responsibility of the Township.

Following public comments, Koplin wanted to express the deep condolences from all the Supervisors and Staff on the Passing of Former Lower Milford Township Police Chief Jeffery Tapler.

Motion by Linde to Adjourn the Meeting. Seconded by Koplin. 2 Ayes.

Meeting concluded at 7:15PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Stacy R. Smith Township Secretary

