

Maine Township Board Meeting December 26, 2019

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Board Members Present: Clerk Gialamas, Highway Commissioner Kazmierczak, Trustees Jones, Carrabotta, McKenzie and Sweeney

Other in attendance: Ron Wolflick, Kurt Asprooth, Dayna Berman, Denise Jajko, Richard Lyon, Michael Samaan, Ryan McKenzie, Diane Carrabotta and Doriene Prorak.

Clerk Gialamas announced that Supervisor Morask was not present. He called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m., led the Pledge of Allegiance and called the roll.

Clerk Gialamas asked for a motion to select Acting Chairman.

Trustee Sweeney	Motion to nominate Dave Carrabotta as Acting Chairman for the December 26, 2019 Board meeting.
Trustee McKenzie	Second.

Motion on a roll call vote as follows:

Supervisor Morask	Absent
Trustee Jones	No
Trustee McKenzie	Yes
Trustee Carrabotta	Yes
Trustee Sweeney	Yes

Motion carried.

Agenda Item: Presentation of Check to Honor Flight Chicago

Clerk Gialamas stated that he was honored to keep former Clerk Gary K. Warner's tradition of presenting Honor Flight with a check for \$1,000.00. This is money that his Department receives from being a Passport Agent; no taxpayer funds are used.

Clerk Gialamas introduced Ron Wolflick, who commented that there were 95 Honor Flights so far this year. He further stated that they have flown over 9,000 veterans, 450 of which were Viet Nam veterans, and there are 2,500 Viet Nam veterans on a waiting list. Mr. Wolflick commented that no other Township or City donates like Maine Township, and every dime that comes in, goes to the veterans.

See video at 2:12.

Agenda Item: Approval of Minutes of November 26, 2019 Bill Pay Review

Trustee Sweeney	Motion to waive the reading and approve the minutes of the November 26, 2019 Bill Pay Review.
Trustee McKenzie	Second.

Motion on a roll call vote as follows:

Supervisor Morask	Absent
Trustee Jones	Yes
Trustee McKenzie	Yes
Trustee Carrabotta	Yes
Trustee Sweeney	Yes

Motion carried.

Agenda Item: Approval of Minutes of November 26, 2019 Board Meeting

Trustee McKenzie Motion to waive the reading and approve the minutes of the November 26, 2019 Board Meeting.

Trustee Sweeney Second.

Motion on a roll call vote as follows:

Supervisor Morask Absent

Trustee Jones Yes

Trustee McKenzie Yes

Trustee Carrabotta Yes

Trustee Sweeney Yes

Motion carried.

Agenda Item: Approval of General Assistance Expenditures

Payrolls dated November 29, 2019 and December 13, 2019 and General Assistance checks #52370 through check #52433 in the amount of \$53,550.60.

Trustee Sweeney Motion to approve.

Trustee McKenzie Second

Motion on a roll call vote as follows:

Supervisor Morask Absent

Trustee Jones Yes

Trustee McKenzie Yes

Trustee Carrabotta Yes

Trustee Sweeney Yes

Motion carried.

Agenda Item: Approval of Road District Expenditures

Payrolls dated November 29, 2019 and December 13, 2019 and Road District checks #21148 through check #21189 in the amount of \$90,635.58.

Trustee McKenzie Motion to approve.

Trustee Sweeney Second.

Motion on a roll call vote as follows:

Supervisor Morask Absent

Trustee Jones Yes

Trustee McKenzie Yes

Trustee Carrabotta Yes

Trustee Sweeney Yes

Motion carried.

Agenda Item: Approval of General Town Fund Expenditures

Payrolls dated November 29, 2019 and December 13, 2019 and General Town Fund checks #57338 through check #57418 in the amount of \$355,850.56.

Trustee McKenzie Motion to approve.

Trustee Sweeney Second.

Motion on a roll call vote as follows:

Supervisor Morask Absent

Trustee Jones Yes

Trustee McKenzie Yes

Trustee Carrabotta Yes

Trustee Sweeney Yes

Motion carried.

Agenda Item: Public Participation
There was no public participation.

Agenda Item: Old Business, Discussion and Vote on Anticipated Needs for Quarterly Service of Barton Marketing Group as recommended in Administrator's Editorial Calendar Report

Administrator Berman stated that she is recommending that the following hours be approved for Barton Marketing Group: 16.5 hours for January; 3.5 hours for February; and 7 hours for March.

Trustee Sweeney questioned why it was necessary to have two separate press releases for the Assessor instead of just one.

Discussion.

See video at 12:05.

Trustee Carrabotta Motion to approve the Calendar Report for Barton Marketing Group with two amendments: Combine the two Assessor's press releases into one for a total of two hours; and holding off approving the March Calendar Report.

Trustee Sweeney Second.

Trustee McKenzie questioned why they should off approve the March hours.

Trustee Carrabotta Motion to amend the previous motion to include March, but reserve the Township Day hourly time.

Trustee Sweeney Second.

Motion on a roll call vote as follows:

Supervisor Morask Absent

Trustee Jones Yes

Trustee McKenzie Yes

Trustee Carrabotta Yes

Trustee Sweeney Yes

Motion carried.

Agenda Item: Old Business, Recreational Marijuana Impact on Townships/Policy Addendum to PPM/Robert McCabe

Township Attorney Kurt Asprooth announced that he was unable to contact Attorney Robert McCabe, but that he could answer questions generally.

Trustee Carrabotta Motion to table discussion until the next Board Meeting.

Trustee Sweeney Second.

Motion on a roll call vote as follows:

Supervisor Morask Absent

Trustee Jones Yes

Trustee McKenzie Yes

Trustee Carrabotta Yes

Trustee Sweeney Yes

Trustee Sweeney asked a few questions.

See video at 23:34.

Agenda Item: Old Business, Ancel Glink Hourly Rate Adjustment

Trustee Carrabotta Motion to approve Ancel Glink's rate increase from \$200.00 per hour to \$205.00 per hour.

Trustee McKenzie Second.

Motion on a roll call vote as follows:

Supervisor Morask Absent

Trustee Jones Yes

Trustee McKenzie Yes

Trustee Carrabotta Yes

Trustee Sweeney Yes

Motion carried.

Agenda Item: Old Business, Approval of Closed Session Minutes of June 25, 2019.

Trustee Carrabotta Motion to approve the Closed Session Minutes of June 25, 2019.

Trustee McKenzie Second.

Motion on a roll call vote as follows:

Supervisor Morask Absent

Trustee Jones Yes

Trustee McKenzie Yes

Trustee Carrabotta Yes

Trustee Sweeney Yes

Motion carried.

Agenda Item: Officials' Reports

Trustee Jones hoped that everyone had a Merry Christmas and Happy Hanukah, and wished everyone the best in the New Year and the new decade.

Trustee McKenzie stated that she was happy to finalize the Agency Funding and the Levy. She is looking forward to 2020 and trying to get good Township work done.

Trustee Sweeney also said that she was happy to pass the Levy and reduced General Assistance by 50% and Town Fund by 15%. She commented that they could possibly do better as they further the budget process.

Clerk Gialamas expressed his condolences on the passing of Wiesia Tytko's father. He also wished everyone a Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukah and a Happy New Year.

Trustee Carrabotta joined in and wished everyone a blessed New Year.

Agenda Item: Administrator's Report

Administrator Berman had nothing further to report.

Agenda Item: Adjournment

Trustee Sweeney Motion to adjourn.

Trustee Carrabotta Second.

All in favor.

Motion carried on a voice vote.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Maine Township Clerk