

**BUSHKILL TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
1114 BUSHKILL CENTER ROAD
NAZARETH, PA 18064**

**MINUTES
August 6, 2015**

The Bushkill Township Board of Supervisors held their regularly scheduled meeting on Thursday, August 6, 2015. The meeting was held at the Bushkill Township Municipal Building, 1114 Bushkill Center Road, Nazareth, PA. The following Supervisors were present: Mr. Kocher, Mr. Kline, Mrs. Hill, Mr. Smith and Mrs. Bender. Also present were the Township Manager Brian Harris, Atty. Steven Mills, Engineer Robert Collura, and Captain Dempsey. There were 4 people in the audience.

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

The Chairman, Brien Kocher called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

SIGN INS: None

Subdivisions: Country Chase Letter of Credit- Brian Harris stated that Tuskes Homes issued a \$15,000.00 escrow check for street light installation if need be. Mr. Collura indicated that all other improvements in the subdivision have been completed. **Motion** by, Julie Bender, second by Carolyn Hill and approved unanimously to authorize release of the letter of credit conditioned on the \$15,000 check being deposited and verification that the maintenance period has expired.

Approval of Minutes

1. **July 2, 2015 – Motion** by Harrison Kline, seconded by Carolyn Hill and approved unanimously to accept the minutes of July 2, 2015 conditioned on reflecting that Jason Smith made the motion to adjourn seconded by Carolyn Hill.

Reports

2. **Police** – Captain Dempsey provided the Police Report.
3. **Treasurers** – Brian Harris provided the Treasurer’s Report.
4. **Tax Collector** – Brian Harris stated that the Tax Collector Report was enclosed.
5. **Zoning Officer** – Ken Shiffert stated the report was enclosed.
6. **Public Works** – No report provided.
7. **Library** – Lanie Y. provided the Library report.
8. **Recreation** – Nothing to report.
9. **Fire Company** – Tom Barnowski provided the BTVFC report as well as an update for

Emergency Management.

10. **Engineer** – Mr. Collura indicated all items pertaining to him were on the agenda.
11. **Solicitor** – Nothing to report.
12. **EAC** – Nothing to report.
13. **NAZ COG** – Brian Harris stated that the next multi-municipal review meeting will be held August 31st.

OLD BUSINESS

14. **Recreation Complex** – Brian Harris indicated that the playground equipment has been rebid and bids are due August 26th and can be considered at the September meeting.
15. **Red Bridge Removal Update** – Brian Harris provided an overview of the project and Mr. Collura provided a summary of his review letter dated August 6th. Mr. Collura noted that several waivers would be required to complete the project. Supervisors did not act on the waivers, however, they would be considered if Northampton County was willing to enter into a maintenance agreement to perpetually maintain the culvert, rock apron and island in the cul-de-sac. Brian Harris indicated that he would speak with Borton Lawson regarding the township's position.
16. **Municipal Building Expansion** – Engineer Collura indicated that the submission to PA Labor and Industry has been completed and we are awaiting their comments.
17. **2015 Road Paving Project** – Brian Harris stated that the revised contract amount for Recon Inc. is \$274,193.50 due to the price adjustment associated with the 32% reduction in the quantity of work. **Motion** by Jason Smith, seconded by Harrison Kline and approved unanimously to approve the contract amount.

NEW BUSINESS

18. **NCATO Convention** – Brian Harris stated that the 2015 NCATO Convention will be held October 2, 2015 at the Eastonian Hotel and Conference Center.

Draft policies were tabled and will be added to the September agenda for consideration.

PAY BILLS: Bill List - \$170,514.88 – **Motion** by Harrison Kline, seconded by Jason Smith and approved unanimously to pay bills.

GOOD OF THE BOARD: Next regularly scheduled meeting September 3, 2015

ADJOURNMENT: **Motion** by Jason Smith, seconded by Carolyn Hill and approved unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 6:31pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Brian D. Harris