

**MIDDLETOWN TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
REGULAR MEETING
FEBRUARY 1, 2016**

PRESENT

H. GEORGE LEONHAUSER, CHAIRPERSON	}	
THOMAS GALLAGHER, VICE CHAIR	}	
WILLIAM OETTINGER, SECRETARY	}	BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AMY STROUSE	}	
THOMAS TOSTI	}	
STEPHANIE TEOLI KUHL, TOWNSHIP MANAGER		
JOSEPH PIZZO, ESQ., TOWNSHIP SOLICITOR		
LARRY YOUNG, P. E, TOWNSHIP ENGINEER		

1. Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance, and Roll Call.

After the Pledge of Allegiance, Mr. Oettinger called roll. All Supervisors were in attendance along with interested citizens.

Mr. Pizzo advised that the Board met in Executive Session prior to this evening's meeting with the five Board Members, Township Manager, Assistant to the Township Manager and Township Solicitor. Several matters of prior litigation, as well as potential litigation and one matter of potential real estate acquisition were discussed. No official action was taken during the Executive Session and none is required this evening as a result of the Executive Session.

2. Announcements, Correspondence, Awards and Reports.

- a. Next Board of Supervisors Meeting – Tuesday, ***February 16, 2016 @7:30 p.m.***

Mr. Leonhauser advised that the Middletown Township Department of Parks, Recreation and Community Services are preparing a Park Master Plan for the Spring Valley Farm. A public meeting is scheduled for February 17, 2016 at the Township Municipal Center from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. concerning the Spring Valley Farm Park Master Plan. The interactive forum is open to everyone and public input is critical to this project's success and the creation of a new facility to serve Township's residents.

3. Public Comment. ***Non-Agenda Items only.*** (Maximum 30 minutes)

Helene Ratner, Stratton Court made a correction to the January 4, 2016 minutes stating the public comment was Andrew Flager and not Adam Flager.

4. **Consent Agenda Items.**

- a. Consideration of authorizing payment of February 1, 2016 Bill List in the amount of \$5,144,591.28.

b. Consideration of approving the January 19, 2016 Meeting Minutes of the Middletown Township Board of Supervisors.

ACTION: MR. TOSTI MOVED TO APPROVE PAYMENT OF THE FEBRUARY 1, 2016 BILL LIST IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,144,591.28. MR. OETTINGER SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 5-0.

5. Consideration of enacting Resolution #16-01R Declaration of a Limited State of Emergency.

Ms. Teoli Kuhls advised that by enacting this resolution the Township will be able to apply for some funding to help with the cost of the storm.

ACTION: MR. GALLAGHER MOVED TO ENACT RESOLUTION #16-01R DECLARATION OF A LIMITED STATE OF EMERGENCY. MS. STROUSE SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 5-0.

6. Consideration of authorizing the purchase of a 2016 Ford F350 Truck from Hondru Ford, Manheim, PA in the amount of \$29,943.49 and a utility body from DeJana Truck & Utility Equipment, Kings Park, NY in the amount of \$14,750 for a total of \$44,693.49.

The purchase of this vehicle is in the Capital Plan and was approved in the 2016 Budget and will be funded through the Road Machinery Fund. This purchase is through the state CoStars contract.

ACTION: MR. GALLAGHER MOVED TO AUTHORIZE THE PURCHASE OF A 2016 FORD F350 TRUCK FROM HONDRU FORD, MANHEIM, PA IN THE AMOUNT OF \$29,943.49 AND A UTILITY BODY FROM DEJANA TRUCK & UTILITY EQUIPMENT, KINGS PARK, NY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$14,750 FOR A TOTAL OF \$44,693.49. MS. STROUSE SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 5-0.

7. Consideration of authorizing the purchase of the combination of a New Holland Tractor, Model TS6 110 T4B, an Alamo 22 foot boom w/joystick control and an Alamo 60 inch rotary mower head, from Cherry Valley Tractor Sales , Marlton, NJ in the amount of \$123,850.36.

Ms. Teoli Kuhls advised that this purchase was included in the Capital Plan and also authorized with the adoption of the 2016 Budget. This piece of equipment will greatly expand flexibility of the Public Works Department roadside maintenance and significantly improve the maintenance of the retention basins and the parks and green belts as well. The purchase will be funded through the Road Machinery Fund and is through the state CoStars contract

ACTION: MR. GALLAGHER MOVED TO AUTHORIZE THE PURCHASE OF THE COMBINATION OF A NEW HOLLAND TRACTOR, MODEL 5S6 110 T4B, AN ALAMO 22 FOOT BOOM W/JOYSTICK CONTROL AND AN ALAMO 60 INCH ROTARY MOWER HEAD, FROM CHERRY VALLEY TRACTOR SALES, MARLTON, NJ IN THE AMOUNT OF \$123,850.36. MR. TOSTI SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 5-0.

8. Consideration of authorizing the purchase of a new air compressor from H. A. DeHart & Son, Thorofare, NJ in the amount of \$23,460.00.

Ms. Teoli Kuhls advised that this purchase is through the state CoStars contract and this compressor will replace a 20 year old compressor that is beyond its serviceable life. This purchase was included in the Capital Plan and also authorized with the adoption of the 2016 Budget and will be funded through the Road Machinery Fund.

ACTION: MR. OETTINGER MOVED TO AUTHORIZE THE PURCHASE OF A NEW AIR COMPRESSOR FROM H. A. DEHART & SON, THOROFARE, NJ IN THE AMOUNT OF \$23,460.00. MR. LEONHAUSER SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 5-0.

9. Other Business.

Ms. Teoli Kuhls publicly recognized Township staff ; Police Department, Department of Public Works and Emergency Management in their efforts of responding to the storm last weekend. Some of our employees were out for 48 hours straight.

Mr. Tosti congratulated Amy and Kevin Strouse on the occasion of the birth of their daughter, Julia. Mr. Tosti said Ms. Strouse is a real trouper as she just had the baby Thursday, got out of the hospital on Saturday and is present at tonight's meeting!

Mr. Tosti also congratulated the Department of Public Works along with the Emergency Management and Police Department for a job well done this past weekend. They were all on call and did a fabulous job.

Mr. Tosti also reminded residents about the Planning Commission on Wednesday, February 3, 2016 beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the Public Hall concerning the Stone Farm Property.

Mr. Gallagher reiterated the comments of Ms. Teoli Kuhls and Mr. Tosti stating what a wonderful job they had done during the past storm. Mr. Gallagher wished everyone a Happy Valentine's Day.

Mr. Leonhauser went one step further saying that not only do they actively stand out during storms, but the Township's Police Department, Department of Public Works and Emergency services stands normally, 24 hours a day even without the bad weather.

10. Other public comment. (Only applicable if initial Public Comment period exceeds the 30 minute time limit.)

11. Adjournment.

ACTION: MR. GALLAGHER MOVED TO ADJOURN THE PUBLIC MEETING OF THE MIDDLETOWN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AT 7:46 P.M. MS. STROUSE SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 5-0.