

Borough of Susquehanna Depot
Minutes September 26, 2016

Present: Susan Crawford, John Hendrickson, Roy Williams, Joseph Varsik and Deborah Zayas

Absent: Barbara Larsen, Dana Rockwell

Also Present: Mayor Nancy Hurley, Margaret Biegert,

MOTION: By Roy Williams seconded by Sue Crawford to approved the agenda. All present voted yes. Motion carried.

MOTION: By Sue Crawford seconded by Deborah Zayas to rescind the September 14, 2016 vote accepting the Stone's Excavating bid for the East Street Wall Project and rebid the project with only an option of using pre-cast concrete blocks. All present voted yes. Motion Carried.

MOTION: By Deborah Zayas seconded by Roy Williams to allocated the additional undesignated impact fees at follows: \$15,000 to Zoning updates, \$11,991.14 to economic development. All present voted yes. Motion carried.

Joe Varsik opened the meeting at 5:00 PM. The secretary asked council to consider rescinding the vote at the September 14, 2016 meeting accepting Stone's Excavating for the East Street Wall Project. Penn Dot had provided the borough with a few alternative recommendations to stabilize the compromised wall. These alternatives were included in the bid package. All interested contractors had met with DPW, as required, to discuss the project and were told that they could choose from one of the recommended Penn Dot options listed in the bid package. One of the contractors has claimed they were not told they had an option. Council discussed rebidding the project with only one option of using pre-cast concrete blocks to avoid any confusion. During the original pre-bid meetings a number of contractors recommended adding rails and alternatives to drainage that was not included in the original bid package.

Council discussed the undesignated impact fees and made a motion to allocate \$15,000 to Zoning updates and the remaining \$11,991.14 to downtown economic development.

Council reviewed 2017 mileage projections, salary worksheets, a proposed budget worksheet and capital reserve worksheet and discussed the possibility of a tax increase. Council discussed the need for an additional budget meeting. Margaret advised that the zoning meeting were advertized to begin October 10th, but that Carson Helfrich would not be ready until October 24, 2016. The meetings were advertized as zoning and other business, so council continue to discuss the budget on October 10th. Council agreed.

Roy Williams advised council that he is waiting for a right of way agreement for the community board. He also asked council to give some thought to having him perform the rental inspections in 2017.

Council went into executive session at 5:55 to discuss personnel issues.

Council reconvened at 6:30 PM

Meeting adjourned at 6:31 PM