

**South Londonderry Township
Board of Supervisors Worskshop Meeting
Palmyra, PA**

May 22, 2018

Opening Ceremonies and Introduction- The meeting was called to order at 7:01PM by Chairwoman Bucks followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

The following members were present:

Faith Bucks – Chairwoman
Jack Custer – Vice Chairman
William Bova - Supervisor

The following staff members were present:

Jenna Seesholtz - Township Manager
Officer Nick Ague – SLT Police Department

Changes to Agenda: There were no changes to the agenda.

Public also present:

Scott Searer, Theresa Searer, Mark Houser, Jr., Jen Haak, Dawn Blauch, Jane Popko, Kermit Bell, John Van Zant, Barry Sell, Bill Kauffman

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Special Orders

Township Official Input: Vice-Chairman Custer gave a brief report on the Palmyra Area Park and Rec meeting he attended on behalf of the Township.

2018 Township Road Projects: The Township advertised bids for repairs to Dresher Road and Harvest Road with Lyndel Road as an alternate. 4 bids were submitted to the Township using PennBid. Bids were opened on May 21, 2018. The lowest bidder was Pennsy Supply with a bid of \$288,538.65 for Harvest and Drescher and \$83,473.90 for the alternate of Lyndel Drive. The total bid for all three roads is \$372,012.55.00. A motion by Custer second by Bova to approve the bid with alternate repairing Harvest, Drescher and Lyndel for a total project cost of \$372,012.055. Liquid Fuels funds will be used. Motion carried.

Sunoco – Extension of Agreements: Sunoco advised the Township that they will not be able to complete the pipeline project within its original timeline and requested a year extension on the agreements it has with the Township. A motion by Custer second by Bucks to approve Township Solicitor Armstrong to work with Sunoco to extend agreements for an additional year. Public Comment: Dawn Blauch asked if Harvest Road would be repaired by Sunoco. Jane Popko asked if the Township intends to submit a grant that the Township is eligible for from Sunoco fine money. Supervisor Bova abstained from vote. Motion carried.

Campbelltown Volunteer Fire Company – Tanker Purchase Request: Campbelltown Fire Company is requesting to purchase a second tanker in the amount of \$487,000. Half of the money would come from the Township Fire Tax and Campbelltown Fire Company would pay for the other half using fund raising money.

Public Comment:

Scott Searer and Theresa Searer, 1331 Bradley Avenue, Hummelstown, gave a presentation on a fire that occurred in the woods behind his house. He thanked all the firefighters involved for saving his house. Supports the purchase of the tanker.

Resident Kermit Bell wanted to know how many times the second tanker was deployed in the last year. Also asked if Campbelltown and Lawn Fire Companies did not have adequate water would surrounding fire departments respond with their equipment. He asked if there were incidences where the fire department did not have adequate water.

Resident Jane Popko asked about the age of the current tanker and how long it would take for another fire department to respond with another tanker. Noted that most of Campbelltown has fire hydrants. Asked about the possibility of increasing the fire hydrant assessment fee and also the fire tax. Asked if either department has looked into a live-in program to help with volunteers.

Resident and Chief of Campbelltown Fire Company Barry Sell: Noted that obtaining a constant water supply is the hardest part of fighting a fire in rural areas of the Township. Sell also noted that Campbelltown Fire Co. is looking into creating a live-in program as an additional way to increase volunteers.

Resident and Supervisor Bill Bova: Respects what the fire companies do for the Township. He was happy to see that an equipment replacement plan had been prepared by Campbelltown.

Resident and Vice-Chairman Custer: Noted that raising the fire tax would not solve the lack of volunteers.

Resident and Chairwoman Bucks: Advised that she does not want to micromanage the fire companies, but the Township Supervisors are tasked with providing fire protection for it's residents. Bucks asked the Fire Board to collectively come up with a plan for the Township to better meet its fire suppression needs. Planning between the two fire departments has the potential to reduce training needs and administration time.

A motion by Bucks second by Bova to approve Campbelltown Volunteer Fire Company – Tanker Purchase Request in an amount not to exceed \$270,000.00 from the fire tax fund provided the two fire departments can work together for training needs and reduce administrative time. Campbelltown will use fund raising money to pay for the other half of the tanker. Motion carried.

Good and Welfare:

The next regular meeting is June 12 and the next work shop meeting is June 27. The Township office will be closed Memorial Day, Monday May 28

Adjourn – There being no more business to discuss, a motion by Custer second by Bova to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 PM. Motion carried.

Jenna Seesholtz, Manager, Secretary/Treasurer