

**ROCKLAND TOWNSHIP  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

**YEAR END MEETING**

**DECEMBER 26, 2018  
7:00PM**

The Rockland Township Board of Supervisors held their Year End Meeting on December 26, 2018 beginning at 7:00PM at the Rockland Township Municipal Building. The following Board members were present: Chairman Duane Bennetch, Vice Chairman Nathan Ohlinger, and David Wartzenuft.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00PM by Chairman Duane Bennetch.

The Board of Supervisors meeting minutes of the December 11, 2018 meeting were prepared for the Board of Supervisors' review and approval. On a motion by Nathan Ohlinger, seconded by David Wartzenuft, the meeting minutes of the December 11, 2018 Board of Supervisors meeting were approved as presented. There was no public comment. All were in favor. Motion carried.

A listing of unpaid bills as of December 26, 2018 was prepared for the Board of Supervisors' review and approval. The total of the unpaid bills for approval was \$13,628.10 from the General Fund. On a motion by David Wartzenuft, seconded by Nathan Ohlinger, the Unpaid Bills list for December 26, 2018 totaling \$13,628.10 was approved for payment from the General Fund. There was no public comment. All were in favor. Motion carried.

The 2018 budget includes a \$50,000.00 payment to the Township's Capital Reserve Account. On a motion by David Wartzenuft, seconded by Nathan Ohlinger, a transfer of funds in the amount of \$50,000.00 to the Capital Reserve Account from the General Fund was approved. There was no public comment. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Rockland Township received correspondence from Michelle Herman, President, Brandywine Community Library informing Township officials that Karen Winegardner (a resident of Rockland Township) has recently joined the library's Board of Trustees. The Brandywine Community Library Board of Trustees has voted on this matter, and the addition of Karen Winegardner to the Board of Trustees was documented in the Library Board's meeting minutes. The library simply requests that the Township acknowledge this appointment. On a motion by Duane Bennetch, seconded by Nathan Ohlinger, the Board officially acknowledges the appointment of Rockland Township resident, Karen Winegardner, to the Brandywine Community Library Board of Trustees. There was no public comment. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Complaint Form – Burning Complaint (Stimmel Road) – After a brief discussion, on a motion by Duane Bennetch, seconded by Nathan Ohlinger, this complaint was tabled until the Board's January 2019 meeting. There was no public comment. All were in favor. Motion carried.

“We Buy Houses” Signs – Chairman Duane Bennetch advised at the December 11, 2018 monthly meeting that these signs were to be removed by December 20<sup>th</sup>. The Board briefly discussed this matter, and on a motion by Duane Bennetch, seconded by Nathan Ohlinger, the Board authorized the Roadmaster to remove all “We Buy Houses” signs throughout the Township by January 1, 2019 (as these signs do not comply with zoning regulations), and the Board will re-assess any further actions at future Board meetings if necessary. There was no public comment. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Confirmation of 2019 Hourly/Salary Increases for Full-Time Employees (for processing of 1/4/2019 payroll) – On a motion by Duane Bennetch, seconded by Nathan Ohlinger, the Board approved a 2.5% hourly/salary increase for all full-time employees for 2019 (as previously discussed at the October budget meeting and as included in the 2019 budget). There was no public comment. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Newsletter – After a brief discussion, the Board agreed to hold off on the preparation/ mailing of a Township Newsletter until March 2019.

Henry Road Bridge – Vice Chairman Nathan Ohlinger recently learned that the wall of the Henry Road bridge was hit (the wall however did not appear to have sustained any serious damage – just scraped). As a result, Supervisor Ohlinger stressed the need for some type of action by the Township to try to prevent any future damage to the bridge. After a brief discussion, on a motion by Nathan Ohlinger, seconded by Duane Bennetch, the Board instructed the Township Roadmaster to get something in place (such as boulders or something else deemed appropriate) on the downstream Schweitz Road side of the bridge immediately to help to prevent future damage to the bridge. There was no public comment. All were in favor. Motion carried.

There was no other business to be brought before the Board and no public comment.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. On a motion by Nathan Ohlinger, seconded by Duane Bennetch, the Year End Meeting was adjourned at 7:24PM. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Krall  
Secretary/Treasurer