

## MINUTES

April 14, 2016

The Somerset Township Board of Supervisors met in Regular Session on Thursday, April 14, 2016, at 6:30 pm in the Somerset Township Municipal Building. Those present were: Daniel H. Halverson, Chairman; Donald Miller, Vice-Chairman and Randy Beistel, Supervisor. Tami L. Yutzy, Secretary and C. Gregory Frantz, Solicitor, also attended the meeting.

The Chairman, Mr. Halverson, called the meeting to order and lead the pledge to the flag.

Mr. Halverson then asked for any public comment. There was none.

The Chairman asked for the reading of the Minutes of the previous meeting and the Financial Report for the previous month. Mrs. Yutzy presented the board with the Minutes of previous meeting and the March list of expenditures. Mr. Beistel moved to approve all as presented. Mr. Miller seconded the motion. With all voting "yea" the motion carried and all stand approved as presented.

The first item on the agenda was the 2016 Bid Opening. At the instruction of the Chairman, the Secretary opened bids for supplies. Regarding stone bids, the low bidder of all items with the exception of Type L #8 was Garrett Limestone. The low bidder for Type L #8 FOB Plant and Delivered was New Enterprise Stone and Lime. Mr. Miller moved to award the stone items to the above listed bidders. Mr. Beistel seconded the motion and with all voting "Yea" the motion carried and the stone bids are awarded.

Regarding the liquid asphalt products, the low bidder for CRS2P and MC-70 Liquid Asphalts was Russell Standard Corp. As for 9.5mm wearing course, 19.0 mm wearing course and 25.0 mm base course New Enterprise Stone & Lime was the low bidder. Mr. Beistel moved to award the bids to the low bidders for each item listed about. Mr. Miller seconded the motion and with all voting "Yea" the motion carried and the above low bids are awarded.

The low bidder for the In-Place Seal Coat was Russell Standard Corp. at the price of \$56,575.00. Mr. Beistel moved to award the bid to Russell Standard Corp., Mr. Miller seconded the motion and with all voting "Yea" the motion carried and the In-Place Seal Coat bid is awarded.

It was discovered that an error in the specification of the fuel bids occurred and that all bids would be rejected and rebid. A brief discussion regarding fuels ensued. After the discussion the board decided that it would be more economical for the township to purchase fuel items through the Co-Stars Program effective immediately. Mr. Miller moved to purchase fuel through the Co-Stars Program. Mr. Beistel seconded the motion and with all voting "Yea" the motion carried and the Township will purchase fuel through the Co-Stars Program effective immediately.

The next topic on the agenda was 2016 Spring Clean Up. The Chairman instructed the Secretary to advertise and promote the 2016 Spring Clean Up which would be held May 2<sup>nd</sup> through May 5<sup>th</sup> with the sign up for the clean up April 25<sup>th</sup>-April 29<sup>th</sup>.

Jane Miller, Property Tax Collector for Somerset Twp. had requested the approval to raise the amount she charges for a Real Estate Municipal Lien Letter from \$10 to \$15. The Secretary presented the board with a list of rates that municipalities throughout Somerset County charge for said letter. A discussion ensued. The board decided that \$10 is a fair rate for the amount of time it takes to prepare such letters. The increase for the rate was rejected.

The last item on the agenda was for informational purposes only. A letter was issued to Ed Devore of the Friedens Lutheran Church acknowledging that the Township was aware of their plans for the annual Friedens July Fourth Parade and that no township roads would be included in the parade route. The letter was needed by the Church to apply for the required permits from the Department of Transportation.

The Chairman then called for any additional business before the Board. There was none. With no other business before the Board, Mr. Halverson declared the meeting adjourned. There were no objections.

\*\*\*MEETING ADJOURNED\*\*\*