

HANOVER TOWNSHIP, LEHIGH COUNTY
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

December 12, 2016
4:00 P.M.

Present: Councilmen Heimbecker, Lawlor, Paulus, Wegfahrt, Woolley; Sandra A. Pudliner; Vicky Roth

Absent: J. Jackson Eaton, III, Esquire; Al Kortze, P.E.

Attendance: 0

Courtesy of the Floor: None.

Approval of Minutes: November 28, 2016 Budget Hearing

Motion: I move we waive the reading of the Minutes of the November 28, 2016 Budget Hearing and accept same as amended.

Paulus, Heimbecker: Moved and Seconded
Heimbecker, Lawlor, Wegfahrt, Woolley, Paulus: Aye Unan.

Old Business: None.

New Business:

1. Resolution No. 2016-35, A Resolution Adopting Budget Amendments (Vote)

In resolution of this matter, the Board made the following Motion:

Motion: I move that Resolution No. 2016-35, A Resolution Adopting Budget Amendments, be adopted as presented.

Heimbecker, Woolley: Moved and Seconded
Heimbecker, Lawlor, Wegfahrt, Woolley, Paulus: Aye Unan.

2. Resolution No. 2016-36, A Resolution Adopting the Amendment of the Five-Year Capital Program for the Years 2017-2021 (Vote)

The Board made the following Motion with respect to this matter:

Motion: I move that Resolution No. 2016-36, A Resolution Adopting the Amendment of the Five-Year Capital Program for the Years 2017-2021, be adopted as presented.

Wegfahrt, Heimbecker: Moved and Seconded
Heimbecker, Lawlor, Wegfahrt, Woolley, Paulus: Aye Unan.

3. Ordinance No. 584, An Ordinance Adopting the Budget of Hanover Township for the Year 2017 (Adopt)

The Board made the following Motion with respect to this matter:

Motion: I move that Ordinance No. 584, An Ordinance Adopting the Budget of Hanover Township for the Year 2017, be adopted as presented.

Wegfahrt, Heimbecker: Moved and Seconded
Heimbecker, Lawlor, Wegfahrt, Woolley, Paulus: Aye Unan.

Courtesy of the Floor:

At this point in the meeting, Chairman Paulus entered into a discussion with the Board relative to Bid No. 2016-6, which had been opened on Wednesday, December 7, 2016 and will be up for awarding at the Wednesday, December 21, 2016, 7:30 p.m. Council Meeting. Chairman Paulus noted that he had run the numbers and that the low bidder computes to a very low figure of \$213 per household with garbage and recycling every week and \$190.20 per household for garbage every week and recycling every other week. There was discussion from Board members that the current contract which ends the end of this year with Mascaro was something like \$338 per household. Chairman Paulus also noted to the Board he has had the opportunity to speak to two of the municipalities who had the low bidder as their garbage collector. He noted that the Borough of Northampton has had Advance Disposal for a five-year contract and same was renewed for the sixth year. The Township Manager spoke highly of their service. Chairman Paulus also noted that he had spoken to Eileen Eckert, the Township Manager in Allen Township, who is on the second year of a contract. Ms. Eckert noted they had issues in the beginning, missed pickups, etc. It took the hauler awhile to learn where the boundary lines were. Ms. Eckert noted that Allen Township previously had Mascaro but as a result of bidding, Advance Disposal is the new contractor and is in their second year and that she would have to say that all the difficulties have been worked out and they are providing good service to the Township.

Chairman Paulus reminded the Board members that their regular Council meeting is on December 21 at which time the award of the garbage recycling contract would take place if the Board determines to award the contract. Additionally, Chairman Paulus advised the Board that the end-of-year bill meeting is scheduled for December 28 at 4:00 p.m.

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 4:15 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra A. Pudliner
Township Manager