

**CONOY TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
Monday
December 12, 2022**

A meeting of the Conoy Township Board of Supervisors was held on Monday, December 12, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. at the Conoy Township Municipal Building, 211 Falmouth Road, Bainbridge, PA 17502. In attendance were Supervisors Mr. Justin Risser, Ms. Gina Mariani, Mr. Douglas Hawthorne, Mr. S. Jay Williams and Mr. Stephen Mohr. Also in attendance was Secretary Ms. Shannon Sinopoli, Treasurer Ms. Jennifer Rabuck and Solicitor Matthew Crème of Nikolaus and Hohenadel.

ORDER OF BUSINESS:

- I. The meeting was called to order by Mr. Risser at 6:00 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance, Prayer and a moment of silence.
- II. Mr. Risser conducted roll call.
- III. Public Comment – none.
- IV. Public Hearing:
 - A. Ordinance No. 04-12-12-2022 to join the Creation and Organization of a Joint Municipal Authority for the Administration of Emergency Medical Services and authorize the execution of Articles of Incorporation for the Authority.

Mr. Crème indicated this public hearing has been fully advertised and proof of publication has been provided to Township Staff. What needs to be discussed is whether or not the supervisors wish to approve an ordinance for a joint municipal authority for EMS services.

Mr. Crème advised the ordinance would authorize the organization of a joint authority to create a board and to establish by-laws, service fees and to set the amount of such fee(s). The township would retain the right to withdraw from the authority at a later date if they so choose.

A lengthy discussion followed with regards to other options and the financial position of the Northwest EMS.

Mr. Dale Ressler, 2548 River Road and the Board Chairman of the Northwest EMS, explained the financial situation of the EMS and the desire to have the EMS be sustainable. Mr. Ressler asked the board to be a part, be at the table and help to come up with the best solution for such sustainability.

Motion by Mr. Mohr to reject Ordinance No. 04-12-12-2022 due to the lack of specifics and clarity, seconded by Ms. Mariani. The motion failed in a 2-3 vote with Mr. Williams, Mr. Hawthorne and Mr. Risser voting nay.

Motion by Mr. Risser to approve Ordinance No. 04-12-12-2022 to join the Creation and Organization of a Joint Municipal Authority for the Administration of Emergency Medical

Services and authorize the execution of Articles of Incorporation for the Authority, seconded by Mr. Williams. Motion passed 3-2, with Mr. Mohr and Ms. Mariani voting nay.

V. New Business

- A. Motion by Ms. Mariani to approve reinstating the quarterly sewer billing for the Elizabethtown Area School District, seconded by Mr. Hawthorne. Motion approved 5-0.
- B. Motion by Ms. Mariani to approve the hiring of Sabine Shearer for the cleaning of the Conoy Community House at a flat rate of \$30 per clean event with a start date of January 1, 2023, seconded by Mr. Mohr. Motion approved 5-0.
- C. Motion by Mr. Risser to approve the purchase of a 2005 International School Bus, from William Baer, in the amount of \$5,500.00 from the Summer Playground account and to authorize Ms. Rabuck to complete all necessary paperwork, seconded by Mr. Hawthorne. Motion approved 4-0 with Ms. Mariani abstaining.

Motion by Mr. Risser to add Item D, under New Business pertaining to Holiday Hours, seconded by Mr. Hawthorne. Motion approved 5-0.

- D. Motion by Ms. Mariani to close the Township office and Public Works department on December 23, 2022 for the four full-time employees with pay to celebrate the Christmas Holiday, seconded by Mr. Williams. Motion approved 5-0.

VI. Discussion

- A. Ms. Mariani advised the Lions Club approached her with regards to the possibility of placing an American Legion sign and Lions Club sign below the no children to spare sign on Second Street at their cost.

Motion by Ms. Mariani to approve the request of the Lions Club to permit service oriented community groups to place additional signage on Township owned signage posts, seconded by Mr. Hawthorne. Motion approved 5-0.

VII. Public Comment – none.

- VIII. Adjournment. Motion by Ms. Mariani to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Mohr. Motion approved 5-0 and the meeting adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shannon L. Sinopoli
Secretary