

**East Pikeland Township
Board of Supervisors Meeting
January 6, 2020**

A public meeting of the Board of Supervisors of East Pikeland Township was held on Monday, January 6, 2020 at the Township Building, 1158 Rapps Dam Road, Kimberton. Present were Chairman Ron Graham, Vice Chairman Rusty Strauss, Supervisor Ben Campbell and Township Manager Kim Moretti.

Mr. Graham called the meeting to order at 7:08p.m. following the annual Reorganization Meeting.

Minutes

Mr. Strauss made a MOTION to approve the December 3, 2019 meeting minutes. Mr. Campbell seconded the motion and the minutes were unanimously approved.

Department Reports

Township Manager – An annual township administration report was submitted to the Board for review. Mrs. Moretti reported that it was a very successful year relative to grant funding. Seven out of seven applications were approved for funding with three additional applications still outstanding. The township fund balance ended the year at just over \$9M, down from \$12M in 2018 due to purchase of the Crouse property.

Resident Don Szabo acknowledged the outstanding work of the Township Manager and Board of Supervisors.

Public Works – the December monthly report and 2019 Annual Report for the Public Works Department were posted.

Police Department – Chief Wilson provided the 2019 Police Department Statistics including 5 assaults, 4 burglaries, 29 thefts, 22 drug arrests, and 32 DUI arrests. 71 felony/misdemeanor arrests were made and 242 traffic citations were issued. There were 161 accidents in the township in 2019. According to Chester County statistics, the East Pikeland police department responded to 5,226 complaints and made a total of 1200 traffic stops in 2019; up from previous years.

Officer Corbo is now certified for child safety seat installation.

Resident Chris Meszaros asked if any particular intersection in the township was more of a problem than others. Chief Wilson responded that parking lots accidents have been a more recent problem. The Planet Fitness parking lot has lights that are burnt out resulting in more accidents and thefts from parked vehicles at that site.

Zoning Officer's Report – Kisha Tyler's annual zoning report was posted for review.

Community Resources Coordinator – Michelle Rubin’s annual report was posted for review. Supervisor Strauss commended Michelle for the Open Space training packet that she prepared for volunteers this year.

Kimberton Fire Company – Annual report was posted.

West End Ambulance – Asst. Chief. John Osborne reported that they responded to 859 ambulance calls in East Pikeland Township in 2019; with 58 in December. East Pikeland accounts for 42% of total call volume for the department. A second staffed ALS ambulance put in service a year ago allows them to respond to more calls. In 2019, 148 civilians participated in CPR and/or Stop the Bleed training.

Old Business

Mr. Campbell made a MOTION to approve **RESOLUTION 2020-01**, executing a Declaration of Public Trust – Basic Form – for the Graham property. Mr. Strauss seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

New Business

Mr. Strauss made a MOTION to appoint Martha Laird to fill the Elected Auditor vacancy with a term expiring 12/31/21. Mr. Campbell seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Mr. Strauss made a MOTION to accept the proposal of CHRS, Inc. to conduct a Phase 1 Archeological Survey of the Crouse property in the amount of \$22,946.60. Mr. Campbell seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Public Comment

Don Szabo thanked the township for fixing the Mowere Road bridge and culvert and gave a reminder that the mud on the road should be addressed.

Carole Thompson asked if rumors about development on the Piazza property are true. Kim Moretti responded that there has been no proposal received for that property and the fence that was recently installed is to prevent trespassing onto the Superfund site.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:37pm.

Submitted by,
Kimberly Moretti, Township Manager