

Minutes – Shields Township Board of Trustees
Regular Meeting December 13, 2018

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Town of Shields)

THE TOWN BOARD OF SHIELDS TOWNSHIP met at the Shields Township office for its regular monthly meeting on December 13, 2018 at 6:30 p.m.

PRESENT: <u>Theresa Darraugh</u>	Supervisor
<u>Joy Gayter</u>	Clerk
<u>Kristin Strom</u>	Town Trustee
<u>Bill Brown</u>	Town Trustee
<u>Kathy Blahunka</u>	Town Trustee

Road Commissioner Scott Anderson was also present

I. Meeting Called to Order

Supervisor Darraugh called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

II. Roll Call: see above. Trustee Garrity was not in attendance.

III. Pledge of Allegiance

Supervisor Darraugh opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

IV. Presentation of Cash Balances: Cash on Hand by Fund:

Supervisor Darraugh presented cash balances by fund:

Town Fund - \$926,268.94

General Assistance - \$1,206.77

Road and Bridge - \$429,312.74

V. For Action – Motion to approve Town Board Minutes from November 15th, 2018.

A motion by Trustee Blahunka, seconded by Trustee Strom to approve the November Town Board Minutes passed by 4-0 on a roll call vote.

VI. For Action – Motion to approve bills

- i. Town Fund Bills** –A motion by Trustee Blahunka, seconded by Trustee Brown to approve the payment of Town Fund expenses in the amount of \$54,877.12 passed by 4-0 on a roll call vote.
- ii. Road and Bridge** – A motion by Trustee Strom, seconded by Trustee Blahunka to approve the payment of the Road and Bridge expenses in the amount of \$10,008.26 passed by 4-0 on a roll call vote.

- iii. **General Assistance**– A motion by Trustee Blahunka, seconded by Trustee Strom to approve the payment of General Assistance expenses in the amount of \$2,733.69 passed by 4-0 on a roll call vote.

VII. For approval – IGA with Foss Park to use vehicles for senior snow removal program

A motion by Trustee Brown, seconded by Trustee Strom to approve the Inter-Governmental Agreement with Foss Park for two years passed by 4-0 on a roll call vote.

VIII. For approval – General Town Fund Levy collectable in 2019

A motion by Trustee Brown, seconded by Trustee Blahunka to approve the General Town Levy in the amount of \$656,000 and \$19,000 for the IMRF Fund passed by 4-0 on a roll call vote.

IX. For approval – Road District Levy collectable in 2019

Road Commissioner Anderson confirmed that the Levy will be increased by the allowable 2.1% cost of CPI. The growth of the township by \$10,000,000 in new construction was taken into account when making this decision. Last year the Levy was \$582,000 and will be increased by approximately \$16,000 to \$598,000.

A motion by Trustee Blahunka, seconded by Trustee Brown to raise the levy passed by 4-0 on a roll call vote.

X. For approval – contract with Coalition to Reduce Recidivism

The agreement stipulates that payment ~~(up to a maximum)~~ of \$1500 will be made to the Coalition for providing Shields Township residents with employment services. The payment will come from the General Assistance Fund.

A motion by Trustee Blahunka, seconded by Trustee Brown to approve the IGA between the Township and the Coalition to Reduce Recidivism for one year passed by 4-0 on a roll call vote. It was requested that the Coalition provide a copy of its Annual Report to the Township.

XI. Township Reports

- i. **Trustees** – No Trustee reports.
- ii. **Highway Commissioner** – The paving project is 75-80% complete and will not be totally finished until the Spring. Partial payment will be made soon. The weather has been unusually bad for this time of the year which is the reason the roads were not finished and so the road crews have already been out salting the roads.
- iii. **Assessor** – No Assessor's report.
- iv. **Supervisor** – There were a total of 68 contacts which included 5 General Assistance clients and 6 Emergency Assistance clients. The Snow Shoveling Program got off to an early start with the November snow storm. Twenty-four residents signed up for the program. There were 15 applicants from the Coalition to Reduce Recidivism.
A for the Supervisor position of which one was selected.

XIII. Public Comment – Charles Fiore commented on the poor condition of the roads near his property on North Green Avenue. Paving was done but not finished. The road is uneven as part of the road has 2 layers and the other has only one layer which is creating problems for residents. The Road Commissioner agreed to take a look to see if anything can be done at this time to improve the situation.

XIV. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:54 p.m. motioned by Supervisor Darraugh and seconded by Trustee Blahunka.

The date of the next meeting will be January 17th, 2019



~~Joy Gayter, Town Clerk~~

Kathy Grum