

COOLBAUGH TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
BUDGET MEETING MINUTES
November 8, 2018

Board Members present:

William Weimer, Anthony Lamantia, Lynn Kelly, Alma I. Ruiz-Smith and Clare Colgan

Board Members absent:

None

Staff present:

Maureen Mills, Business Manager/ Controller

Staff absent:

None

Announcements:

Mr. Weimer announced the following:

Public input will be considered at the beginning of the meeting for non-agenda items. The public will be given an opportunity to speak on each agenda item. This meeting is being recorded for the preparation of the minutes.

1. Public Input

Nothing was heard.

2. EMS

Denise Doremus was in attendance representing the Pocono Mountain Regional EMS stating that they are currently short staffed stating that an EMT starts at \$13.00 an hour, a paramedic starts at \$19.00 an hour and that they currently have 55 employees on staff. Ms. Doremus stated that based on 2017 numbers there were 2,730 calls in Coolbaugh Township stating that each call costs \$385.00 and the PMREMS is reimbursed \$321.25 per call from the insurance which totaled \$720,486.00. Ms. Doremus stated that they received 720 subscriptions and donations for a total amount of \$56,000.00 as well as \$100,000.00 in contributions in 2017. Ms. Doremus stated that they are currently looking for \$200,000.00 to purchase the needed equipment/vehicle stating that they have applied for an LSA grant to assist with the purchase of the equipment and building repairs that are needed.

3. Volunteer Fire Companies

Representatives from Coolbaugh Township Volunteer Fire Company, Gouldsboro Volunteer Fire Company, Tobyhanna Township Volunteer Company and Thornhurst Volunteer Fire Company were all in attendance to discuss their wish list for 2019 and to update the Board on where they are as far as the need to replace equipment and trucks as well as discuss any grants that have been applied for or are being applied for currently.

4. Emergency Management

Mr. Weimer requested that the current funding in the 2018 budget be carried over to the 2019 budget for training of the Emergency Management Committee.

5. **Rental of Basement Space**

Discussion ensued on the previous rental amounts that were charged per square foot and it was decided that this item will be on the next work session agenda to discuss further.

6. **Review of Last Budget Meeting for Sunday, November 18, 2018 @ 9:30am / Additional Meetings Needed**

Ms. Colgan made a motion second by Ms. Kelly to advertise changing the start time of the Sunday, November 18, 2018 budget work session to 8:30am and to add an additional budget work session on Tuesday November 27, 2018 at 6pm if needed.

- **Discussion:** None
- **Vote:** All in favor, motion passes.

7. **Other business**

Nothing was heard.

8. **Adjournment**

There being no further business, a motion was made by Ms. Colgan second by Ms. Kelly to adjourn.

- **Vote:** All in favor, motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 9:15pm.

NEXT REGULAR BOARD MEETING: Tuesday, November 20, 2018 at the Coolbaugh Township Municipal Office meeting room.

- **Work Session- 6:00 pm**
- **Business Meeting – 7:00 pm**

Submitted by: _____
Erin Masker, Township Secretary

Witnessed by: _____
William Weimer, Chairman

Date: _____