

**Union Township Board of Supervisors  
Special Meeting  
November 26, 2019  
8:00 am**

The Union Township Board of Supervisors meeting was called to order by Chairperson, Heather Daerr at 8:04 am The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Board Members in attendance by roll call were Richard Lawson, Robert Dooley, and Heather Daerr.

Also, in attendance, Nicole Wright-Secretary/Treasurer, Jessica Stiner-Engineer and James Donahoe-Project Department. Jessica Stiner-Engineer, and James Harshman- entered the public meeting at 9:02 am.

**Public Comment on Agenda items:**

George Cheplic: (No Address Given) Mr. Cheplic expressed his opinion regarding the Engineering requirements for his Grading Permit application. Mr. Cheplic asked the Board for a waiver from needing an Engineered stamped plan for his Grading Permit application.

Discussions amongst Mr. Cheplic and the Board ensued regarding his Grading Permit, and his request for a waiver on needing Engineered plans for his permit application. The Board expressed their concerns regarding following Township code.

**Review of agenda items:**

The following items were on the agenda:

1. Discuss 2020 liability insurance quotes
2. Approve/Deny: Payment to Jan-Pro in the amount of \$100 for Police Department restroom cleaning. Special service call.
3. Any other items.

James Donahoe-Project Manager delivered a presentation to the Board of Supervisors regarding the quotes he solicited for the 2020 liability insurance coverage for Union Township. Mr. Donahoe had a comparison summary for the Board to review from Henderson Brothers- Philadelphia/MRM, B&W/ Insurance- Argonaut, and Huntington- Travelers Insurance. Mr. Donahoe reported Philadelphia/MRM has a special program for non-profit and local government. This program was not able to be sourced by the other two carriers. Henderson Brothers, the agency for Philadelphia/MRM provided the lowest quote and deductibles. Argonaut was the second lowest responsible quote. Travelers quote had the highest premium costs and deductibles.

Discussions ensued amongst the Board and Mr. Donahoe regarding policy coverage.

Motion to pick Philadelphia/MRM for Union Townships liability coverage carrier for 2020 in the amount of \$22,734.00 with the deductibles as shown on the 2020 insurance policy comparison summary pending Sweat Law Offices verifying the authenticity the Philadelphia MRM company with the alternate being Argonaut Insurance coming in second at the amount of \$26,419.00 as being the next lowest responsible bid.

Motion by Heather Daerr, Second by Richard Lawson

Roll Call Vote: Richard Lawson-YES, Robert Dooley-YES, Heather Daerr-YES. Motion Carried.

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Motion to approve payment to Jan-Pro in the amount of \$100.00 for Police Department restroom cleaning, special service call.

Motion by Heather Daerr, Second by Robert Dooley

Roll Call Vote: Richard Lawson-YES, Robert Dooley-YES, Heather Daerr-YES. Motion Carried.

The Board discussed resolutions for the PA Small Water and Sewer Grant and H2O PA Water Supply Grant.

Supervisor, Richard Lawson questioned the payment of the Ralph Opferman invoice.

Supervisor, Richard Lawson delivered an update on a telephone update with B&B on the 750 and tire purchase.

Supervisor, Heather Daerr questioned regarding the Shire stormwater ponds.

Supervisor, Robert Dooley questioned regarding the budget and the old Elrama Chrome Shop Project.

Supervisor, Robert Dooley questioned regarding the motions for the purchase of a utility truck.

Supervisor, Heather Daerr called Jessica Stiner into the public meeting. Mrs. Daerr asked Mrs. Stiner to read the ordinance to the Board regarding the details on identifying a hardship in the Township Ordinance. Mrs. Stiner read the section aloud.

Discussions ensued amongst the Board, Engineers, and Mr. Cheplic regarding the requirements of Township's Grading ordinance.

Motion to ask George to follow the Township Ordinance.

Motion by Richard Lawson, Second by Robert Dooley

Roll Call Vote: Richard Lawson-YES, Robert Dooley-YES, Heather Daerr-YES. Motion Carried.

  
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Nicole L. Wright, Secretary/Treasurer