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*Middle Paxton Township*

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

**WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES**

January 19, 2016

**Call to Order**

The January 19, 2016 workshop meeting of the Middle Paxton Township Board of Supervisors was called to order at 7:00 PM by Chairman Jeffery Smith in the Township meeting room. Also present were Supervisor James Fisher, Vice-Chairman and Assistant Secretary; Supervisor Wilbur Evans; and Julie Ann Seeds, Township Manager, Secretary and Assistant Treasurer. Supervisor Richard Peffer was absent with one seat on the Board vacant due to the December 31, 2015 resignation of Supervisor Andrew Megonnell.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Public Comments**

Chairman Smith invited public comments from those in attendance who were not listed on the agenda. No comments were presented.

**Agenda Items**

Appointment of Supervisor to Fill Vacancy

The Board reviewed candidate letters of interest and resumes submitted by Lawrence (Larry) M. Cooney, 231 Hidden Valley Lane, Harrisburg (Fishing Creek Valley) and Bradley C. Field, 1029 Kathryn Avenue, for consideration in being appointed to fill the vacancy on the Board of Supervisors and to serve in that office until the first Monday in January after the next municipal election.

Motion by Supervisor Fisher to appoint Lawrence (Larry) M. Cooney to fill the vacancy on the Board of Supervisors was seconded by Chairman Smith. *Motion passed unanimously.*

The Board expressed its appreciation to both candidates for their interest in serving the Township and requested Mr. Field's letter of interest remain on file should future vacancies occur on Township boards, commissions or joint authorities for which he may be interested.

#### Combining Township Properties

Township Manager Seeds recommended combining the two separate parcels (tax parcels 43-023-014 and 43-023-013) upon which the lower and upper maintenance garages are situated in preparation for staking out and construction of the Joint Municipal Salt Storage Shed.

Motion by Chairman Smith to proceed with actions necessary to combine the two maintenance garage parcels (43-023-014 and 43-023-013) was seconded by Supervisor Evans. *Motion passed unanimously.*

#### Health Insurance Renewal Quotations

Township Manager Seeds presented the Health Plan Report for the benefit period beginning March 1, 2016 compiled by Trilogy Group Benefits, LLC comparing healthcare plan pricing for the upcoming benefit period. Upon the Board's review, it was determined the quotation for the Township's current healthcare plan (Healthy Benefits HRA \$2,000) provided by Capital Blue Cross represents a 15.4% reduction from the current benefit period.

Motion by Chairman Smith to continue enrollment of Township employees in the Capital Blue Cross Healthy Benefits HRA \$2,000 healthcare plan for the benefit period beginning March 1, 2016 was seconded by Supervisor Fisher. *Motion passed unanimously.*

### **Informational Items**

Township Manager Seeds presented items of general interest, as well as recent correspondence received by the Township.

### **Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:26 PM upon a motion made by Chairman Smith, seconded by Supervisor Evans. *Motion passed unanimously.*

Respectfully submitted,

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James H. Fisher, Assistant Secretary