

**Mount Joy Township  
Supervisors' Workshop  
February 6, 2020**

**Meeting Minutes**

**Present:** Supervisors - John Gormont, Chairman; David Updyke, Vice-Chairman; Bernie Mazer; Jeffrey Patterson; Terry Scholle; Solicitor - Susan Smith; Secretary – Sheri Moyer

The Mount Joy Township Board of Supervisors met this date, as publicly advertised, at the Mount Joy Township Building located at 902 Hoffman Home Rd., Gettysburg, PA 17325.

**Call to Order:** John Gormont presiding.

**Starting Time:** 7:00 p.m.

**Public Comment:** None.

**Business:**

- Alpha Fire Company Agreement and Barlow Fire Company Agreement: Steve Laughman, Alpha Fire Company President, spoke about the COG fire tax study. Both Alpha and Barlow's concerns are the funding amounts and the distribution formula. They would like to see the funding amounts increase over the course of the five years. They also would like to see the distribution formula based upon the county's assessed tax value of each property. Mr. Gormont said the formula is not defined in the agreement. He said he would look into the numbers from the county to see if there have been any changes. He also said the Board has discussed doing an addendum to the agreement for 2021 and possibly annually after that as far as working to increase the distribution amount.
  
- United Hook & Ladder (UH&L) Addendum to Agreement: Mr. Gormont said the addendum to the agreement states that they will not accept more money than what the fire tax is in the fire tax study. UH&L will not accept more than 4.96% with a maximum amount of \$6,210.00. Mr. Updyke moved, seconded by Mr. Mazer, to approve signing the addendum to United Hook & Ladder's Fire Agreement Addendum. Motion carried unanimously.

**Other Business (not on agenda):**

- Renovations to Shop: Mr. Gormont said they have started the work in the shop. They have framed in the storage area. He indicated he is receiving quotes for the metal work. The lighting will probably be under the requirement for quotes. He indicated that he spoke to someone about the floor, to have it look like the Alpha fire companies, but it is quite pricy. Mr. Gormont advised the Board that on the budget the building maintenance account will be overbudget due to the renovations of the shop and the repaving of the parking lot. In addition, the box culvert on Low Dutch Road will be replaced which will be a significant expense that was not added into the budget for this year. It will be close to \$200,000.00 over what the budget is in those two accounts.

**Executive Session:** Start: 8:13 p.m.

**Topic:** Personnel Issues

**Meeting Reconvened:** 10:00 p.m.

Mr. Patterson moved, seconded by Mr. Updyke to appoint Mr. Gormont as the representative of the Board to the Roadmaster for day-to-day interactions. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Mazer moved, seconded by Mr. Patterson to have a plan created by the Roadmaster for the Barlow Two Taverns Road work that is to be done in June and present it at the April 2, 2020 workshop meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Scholle moved, seconded by Mr. Updyke, there should also be plans created for the work to be completed in the fall and for any other major projects. Mr. Mazer described a “major project” as something that constitutes possible risk or has a significant impact or benefit to the community. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board, by consensus, is authorizing or directing Mr. Gormont to communicate these actions to the Roadmaster.

Ms. Smith said there are going to be some changes to the Personnel Manual. It was decided to have a draft for review by workshop meeting in March and, if no meeting is scheduled, it will be put on the agenda for the March regular meeting.

**Adjournment:** With no further business to be discussed by the Board, Mr. Patterson moved, seconded by Mr. Scholle, to adjourn the workshop meeting. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned 10:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheri L. Moyer  
Secretary