West Earl Township Board of Supervisors, 157 West Metzler Road, Brownstown, PA 17508

In Attendance:

Chairman:John FordMember:Dave ThorntonVice Chairman:Harold KeppleyManager:Candie JohnsonMember:Richard StoverPolice Chief:Brian Brandt

Member: Keith Kauffman

Call to Order

Chairman Ford called the November 13, 2017 regular meeting to order at 7:06 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

Member Kauffman noted that he was not marked as In Attendance at the November 6th meeting but was present. Moved by Member Thornton, second by Member Kauffman to approve the November 6, 2017 regular meeting minutes as corrected. Motion approved unanimously.

Moved by Member Stover, second by Member Thornton to approve the November 6, 2017 budget meeting minutes as presented. Motion approved unanimously.

Public Comment/Guests

Holly Holbein, 5 Garland Lane – Ms. Holbein was at the meeting to discuss noise issues at Mar-Allen Concrete at 490 Millway Road. Ms. Holbein said Mar-Allen trucks are idling constantly between 4:30am and 6:30am and employees are yelling overtop of the idling trucks. Chief Brandt said the noise issue is a Police matter and said he will be speaking to the owner of the business.

New Business

- 1. **Advertise 2018 budget** Moved by Member Thornton, second by Member Stover to advertise the 2018 budget. Motion approved unanimously. The Board thanked Ms. Johnson for balancing the budget.
- 2. **Aaron Zimmerman escrow release** Moved by Member Kauffman, second by Member Thornton to release the escrow for Aaron Zimmerman in the amount of \$21,882.43. Motion approved unanimously.
- 3. **Amos Zimmerman stormwater management agreement** Moved by Vice Chairman Keppley, second by Member Thornton to sign the small project stormwater management agreement for Amos Zimmerman. Motion approved unanimously.
- 4. **Creek Hill financial security reduction** Moved by Vice Chairman Keppley, second by Member Thornton to reduce the financial security for the Creek Hill Development by \$550,731.90 leaving a balance of \$252,270.31. Motion approved unanimously.
- 5. **Miller & Sons water operator agreement** Moved by Member Thornton, second by Member Kauffman to sign the Miller & Sons water operator agreement. Motion approved unanimously.

Manager's Report

Tax Collector for 2018 – Ms. Johnson will be working with the Township solicitor on finding a tax collector for 2018. There were no names on the ballot this year.

Server – Ms. Johnson reported that one of the drives in the server crashed and Custom Computer is having a difficult time finding a replacement because the server is old. It would cost \$3,800 for a new server.

Water Authority – The Water Authority, at their November 6th meeting, approved the Township's request to pay for public water service to be run to the municipal building contingent upon the connection of the 3 properties along W. Metzler Road which are currently not connected to public water. WEWA also agreed to pay 50% of the cost to paint & repair the hilltop water tank.

Police Chief's Report

Chief Brandt provided a monthly report for the Board's review. Chief Brandt had nothing additional to report.

Payment of Bills

Moved by Member Kauffman, second by Member Thornton to pay the bills as presented. Motion approved unanimously.

Supervisors' Comments

Dave Thornton – Will not be at the December 4th Supervisors' meeting.

Harold Keppley – Vice Chairman Keppley said that he is going to propose that Township residents pay \$1 per trip for entry into the compost site once the free trips are used up. He feels it will be simpler and fairer to do it this way. After a brief discussion Ms. Johnson said she will look at this over the next few weeks and come back to the Board with some ideas.

Keith Kauffman – Will be meeting with Sylvan Fisher & Ashley Martin on Tuesday, November 14th.

Adjournment

Moved by Member Thornton, second by Member Kauffman to adjourn the November 13, 2017 regular meeting at 7:45 p.m. Motion approved unanimously.