Manager's Report

Activity in the Month of March

- Permit applications, bills, deposits and bank reconciliations were handled in a timely manner. Review fee letters were emailed.
- Attended Board of Supervisors meeting (Mar 14), Police Commission meeting (Mar 4 & 11 & 18), Authority meeting (Mar 21)
- Katelyn met with the YMCA to discuss summer playground. The 8-week program will cost $90 and use the Community Park from 9am to 1pm week days from June to August.
- I attended the annual meeting of the Reading Area Water Authority Source Water Protection Committee along with Patrick Donovan. We were provided informational flyer that we may use in MS4 education and we provided them a copy of the Township's PRP and TMDL plan for Lake Ontelaunee.
- Webinar on Small Wireless Facilities
- Auditor was on site March 14 & 15
- Schaeffer Road Bridge meeting (Mar 18)
- Met with Fleetwood Youth Football (Mar 19)
- Liability Company reviewed yearly claims, made suggestion that we have a list of Fire Company's drivers and their driver training SOP (Mar 19)
- Attended Community Advisory Board (Mar 22) learned about recent merger of Shillington and Spring police department, discussed animal control bid.
- Held a safety meeting (Mar. 26). Safety Committee has been certified.
- Met with an appraiser to review all Township facilities. This will help us determine if we have adequate insurance coverage and establish values of our facilities. (Mar 27)
- Attended annual dinner for the Center for Excellence in Local Government (Mar 28)
- Meeting with Berks Conservancy, engineer, Supervisors Fiedler and property owner about project in wetland along Willow Creek (Mar 29)

Respectfully Submitted,

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MEMO

TO: ALL BERKS COUNTY REGISTERED DELEGATES

SUBJECT: STATE CONFERENCE LUNCH

Your Officers of the Berks County Association of Township Officials have decided to provide lunch in the Berks County Hospitality Suite (Room #3341) on Monday and Tuesday of the State Conference in the Hershey Lodge from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. This will consist of a build-your-own sandwich, we will provide bread/rolls and various meats and cheeses as well as chips, pretzels and drinks. This will only be open to Berks County delegates.

We ask that this memo be delivered to anyone in your Township that is registered to attend the State Conference. Should you have any questions, please contact Shirley at 610-987-3423 or by email at oleytownship@hotmail.com.

Week In Review

April 2, 2019

News for the week of March 25, 2019

Both chambers are on recess and will return to Harrisburg on April 8.

House Committee Approves Third-Party Agency Legislation

On Monday, the House Labor and Industry Committee approved **HB 349** *(PN 1129)*. HB 349 would require a municipality or multi-municipal program that currently contracts with a single third-party agency to enforce and administer the Uniform Construction Code to contract with two or more third-party agencies by January 1, 2020.

Municipalities using two or more third-party agencies, including through an intergovernmental arrangement, would need to enter into a professional services contract with the agencies and would be required to have a process for submitting complaints about the agencies. Contracts with third party agencies could not exceed three years.

Additionally, if a municipality or multi-municipal program is unable to find more than one third-party agency, the municipality or program could provide a self-certification to the state Department of Labor and Industry and would be able to use a single third-party agency.

The Association remains neutral on the current version due to a resolution passed at the 2018 PSATS Conference that limits PSATS' opposition to legislation that would require *more than* two third-party agencies. PSATS will continue to closely monitor this legislation.

House State Government Committee Considers RTKL Legislation

On Wednesday, the House State Government Committee amended and approved **HB 860** *(PN 1127)*, which would amend the Right-to-Know Law to clarify that personal financial information, including W-2s and payroll deductions, are exempt from the act. The bill would also exempt an agency's account numbers, credit card numbers, and PIN numbers from disclosure. HB 860 is now before the House.

2019 Session Days for the Pennsylvania General Assembly

The House and Senate are scheduled for session on the following days:

Senate
April: 8, 9, 10, 29, 30
May: 1, 6, 7, 8
June: 3, 4, 5, 10, 11, 12, 17, 18, 19, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28

House
April: 8, 9, 10, 15, 16, 17, 29, 30
May: 1, 6, 7, 8, 13, 14, 15, 22, 23
June: 3, 4, 5, 10, 11, 12, 17, 18, 19, 20, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28

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