

WINDSOR TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

July 1, 2021

1. The meeting of the Windsor Township Board of Supervisors recessed from June 21, 2021 was called to order by Vice Chairperson Dean Heffner at 6:30 p.m.

Those present: Dean Heffner, Rodney Sechrist, and Kipp Allison. See the attached list of citizens present.

2. Yorkana Communtiy Volunteer Fire Co. – Change to Box Alarms – Dual Dispatch Request. Scott Fredrick of Yorkanna Fire Co. explained his department and East Prospect Fire Company are in the process of merging. For efficiency purposes, they are requesting dual dispatching for calls to the departments. On the motion of Rodney Sechrist seconded by Dean Heffner, the Board approved the filing of the appropriate paperwork with York County Emergency Services for the dual dispatch. Motion carried. Two votes yes.
3. Mr. Heffner opened the floor for contract discussions with the representatives from the Windsor Township Fire & Rescue Association.

Scott Gingrich from AFRS presented the requests of the Association. The Association wants to focus on retention and continuing volunteerism. The request was for \$10,000 per department each year ear marked for retention specifically. Lengthy discussion ensued regarding how those dollars might be spent. The Association will provide more details at a later date.

The Association is requesting that the Township continue to provide the two college scholarships at \$1,000 each. Members acknowledged that they appreciate the contributions.

The Association expressed interest in going back to a 5 year contract with a 5% annual increase. Dan Orwig expressed concerns with the compounding increase further widening the separation of funding totals between departments. Discussions between the departments continued related to why there are funding differences. It was determined that Association members will need to re-evaluate this request and come back to the Township with possibly a restructuring of the funding request.

Lastly, the Association wanted to reopen the discussion regarding paid drivers. Scott Gingrich presented that the Association sees a need for the equivalent of 1 paid driver per station. The anticipated coverage would be Monday through Friday from 7am till 5pm. The request was set at \$42,000 per year per driver.

Discussion ensued regarding how the Association negotiates with other participating municipalities. The Association also presented that their operating expenses and equipment costs are up 8%, which is higher than the funding request for this contract.

Dean Heffner expressed the Boards interest in having the Association meet separately to develop more specific contract requests. Mr. Heffner wanted the Association to come back to the Township following that meeting. Dates for the next meeting were discussed.

4. Public Comment – There was no public comment submitted.
5. Supervisors Comments – Mr. Sechrist commented, and Mr. Heffner echoed the Township’s appreciation for the Associations services and all of the hard work that is done by the departments and their members in serving and protecting the Township.
6. The meeting of the Windsor Township Board of Supervisors adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dean L. Heffner
Assistant Secretary

CITIZENS PRESENT
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Scott Gingrich
Scott Fredrick
Dave Stump
Barry L. Myers
James Pritchard
Jordan Frey
Dave Rittenhouse
Daniel Orwig

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