

BOROUGH OF SOUTHMONT
148 Wonder Street
Johnstown, PA 15905

Special Meeting Minutes for December 27, 2016

The pledge of allegiance was conducted and the scheduled December 27, 2016 special meeting was called to order by President Danyluk at 2:00 p.m..

Present: Borough Manager Richard Wargo; Sec./Treas. Amanda Layton; Council President Ed Danyluk; Council Members, Kevin Pile, Sheree Speicher and Robert Morgan; Mayor Mark Yonko

Absent: Council Members Gregory Paolini, Herb Ewald, William Kory

Meeting Agenda

Council discussed a letter from Attorney Messina regarding the West Hills Regional Police Commission approving an amendment to the allocation for contribution to the West Hills Regional Police Budget for 2017. The amendment changed the member municipalities contributions as follows: Westmont Borough decreased from \$705,420.35 to \$673,487.62 (\$31,932.73 decrease), Brownstown decreased from \$37,678.60 to \$36,934.41 (\$744.19 decrease), Southmont Borough increased from \$197,541.77 to \$205,640.13 (\$8,098.36 increase), and Lower Yoder Township increased from \$263,148.28 to \$263,950.84 (\$802.56 increase). Council agreed that not enough time was allowed to properly discuss these changes with the member municipalities noting the West Hills Regional Police Commission representatives for Southmont Borough never agreed to the changes. Council opinions on the matter were as follows:

Kevin Pile: Would like to ride out the current agreement and meet with the West Hills Regional Police Commission to discuss future allocations.

Sheree Speicher: Would like to ride out the current agreement and meet with the West Hills Regional Police Commission to discuss future allocations and thinks the way they went about it this time was underhanded.

Robert Morgan: Would like to make a one-time offer of \$4,000.00 and go back to the original contract.

Ed Danyluk: Would like to make a one-time offer of \$4,000.00 and go back to the original contract.

Mark Yonko: Would like to make a one-time offer of \$4,000.00 and go back to the original contract.

A motion was made by Mr. Pile to amend the West Hills Regional Police Commission Agreement to modify the allocation for 2017 only to be as follows: Westmont Borough 57.42%, Southmont Borough 17.08%, Brownstown Borough 3.13%, and Lower Yoder

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Township 22.37%. After December 31, 2017 the allocation should revert back to the allocation percentage as set forth in the Addendum of October 17, 2000. Motion seconded by Mrs. Speicher. Role call: Mr. Pile, Mrs. Speicher, Mr. Morgan and Mr. Danyluk in favor. Mr. Paolini, Mr. Ewald and Mr. Kory absent. All in favor, motion carried (4-0).

There being no further business, a motion was made by Mr. Pile for adjournment of the December 27, 2016 meeting at 3:02 p.m. Motion seconded by Mr. Morgan. Mr. Paolini, Mr. Ewald and Mr. Kory absent. All in favor, motion carried (4-0).

Respectfully submitted,
Amanda D. Layton
Secretary/Treasurer