

West Pottsgrove Township 980 Grosstown Road Stowe, PA 19464

Board of Commissioners Special Meeting September 29, 2022 7:00pm

The Special Meeting for the Board of Commissioners was called to order by Board President; Steve Miller at 7:00 PM.

ROLL CALL

Board members present were Commissioners; Miller, Palladino, Valentine, Green, and Shawell. Also present was Township Manager; Debi Roesener, and Township Solicitor; Jamie Ottaviano. Absent was Township Secretary; Courtney Harris

TRASH CONTRACT

This was a special meeting of the Board of Commissioners that was properly advertised in the Pottstown Mercury on Monday September 26, 2022.

It was decided that the Board was to come to a decision on the trash bid at the first meeting in October, however since J P Mascaro was the only bidder on the trash contract and offered the extension on making a decision at the prior meeting, the Board decided to call the special meeting tonight. The purpose of tonight's meeting is to either accept or reject and re-bid the contract.

Commissioner Green stated he spoke to the residents after the last meeting for which he stated the residents were concerned with the rates and were concerned with being able to afford those rates. He also looked at surrounding areas for which he stated their rates have also increased. Commissioner Green asked to hear from the Citizens in the room.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Leonard Norris – Asked what the bid was from J P Mascaro, Commissioner Green stated that it was a yearly contract amount of \$772,075.92, which is approximately \$175.00 a quarter.

Linda Kollar Manatawny St. – Asked about receiving monthly bills verses quarterly bills with Waste Management bills.

Charles Schock Grosstown Road – Asked what the problem is with going with private trash haulers. The Board stated that the option is not off the table, however Ordinances would need to be revised.

Representatives from J P Mascaro were in attendance and summarized the bid contract that was submitted to the Township. J P Mascaro III addressed the public and the Board with an explanation on the costs of the bid due to economic times.

Commissioner Green made a motion to reject J P Mascaro's bid and re-bid with modifications to a lesser term, bulk and yard waste. Commissioner Shawell seconded the motion, and all were in favor of rejecting J P Mascaro's bid while making modifications to the new bid specs.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

President Miller called an executive session, he announced the executive session was to discuss the modification for the trash specs and no actions or deliberation would take place.

ADJOURNMENT

President Miller asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. A motion was made by Commissioner Palladino to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Commissioner Shawell. The motion was approved unanimously.

The Board of Commissioners Special Meeting of West Pottsgrove Township has concluded at 7:25 P.M. On September 29, 2022.

Respectfully Submitted,

Courtney Charis

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Township Secretary