

SAGAMORE HILLS TOWNSHIP – SPECIAL

Tuesday, February 7, 2017– media notified

The special meeting was called to order by Mr. David DePasquale at 9:00 a.m. The media was notified.

R/C DePasquale-present; Zaccardelli-present; Schweikert-absent;
Fiscal Officer Gale-present.

Fiscal Officer Gale stated the majority of the board was present.

Attorney Mr. Jeffrey Snell in attendance.

The purpose of the special meeting was to approve the agreement between Northfield Center Township and Sagamore Hills Township for the final wrap up of the Northfield Center-Sagamore Hills Fire District. The Board may conduct any other business it deemed necessary.

Mr. DePasquale stated Resolution 17-07 was a resolution to authorize the chair to execute the agreement between Northfield Center Township and Sagamore Hills Township to wrap up the affairs of the Northfield Center-Sagamore Hills Fire District.

Mr. DePasquale asked Mr. Gale or Mr. Snell to expand on the resolution and agreement.

Mr. Snell gave a detailed explanation.

Mr. DePasquale confirmed with Mr. Snell that Sagamore Hills Township would not be writing any check to Northfield Center Township, and Sagamore Hills Township really does not owe \$100,000 to Northfield Center Township. Mr. Zaccardelli stated the number that was thrown out in the press was inflated.

Mr. Gale commented that he had kept the trustees informed as he and Mr. Snell went through the bills, and thanked Mr. Snell for the incredible job he did on this.

Mr. Gale gave a summary of the process that he and Mr. Snell conducted to review and pay the bills for the fire district. Mr. Gale shared his concern regarding a bill received in May from February for uniform allowances for everyone after it was announced there would be no fire district. This bill was not paid until November. There were gas bills 2-3 months in arrears with late fees and penalties. These were not paid until November as well.

There was a brief discussion.

Mr. Zaccardelli commented the way this was presented out in the media and by other people was misleading.

Mr. DePasquale thanked Mr. Snell and Mr. Gale for all their hard work.

Mr. Snell stated he believes Resolution 17-07 is a fair resolution. It resolves everything through February 3, 2017. Currently there are no bills outstanding. The only thing coming up is the audit.

Mr. Snell stated Northfield Center Township signed off on the agreement last night.

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Mr. DePasquale made a motion to ADOPT **RESOLUTION 17-07** authorizing the chair to execute the agreement between Northfield Center Township and Sagamore Hills Township to wrap up the affairs of the Northfield Center-Sagamore Hills Fire District. The agreement is attached to the resolution. Seconded by Mr. Zaccardelli. R/C Vote: Zaccardelli-aye; DePasquale-aye. Mr. Gale stated we stand approved by the majority of the Board.

Mr. DePasquale made a motion to AMEND **RESOLUTION 16-43** to reimburse Northfield Center Township for the hiring of Rosemary Barrett as part-time fire district transition secretary from September 15, 2016 to February 3, 2017.

Mr. DePasquale asked Mr. Snell to continue with the wording for the amendment of Resolution 16-43.

Mr. Snell stated the following to be added to paragraph three:

“with an additional period of time of fifteen hours (15) on an “as needed” basis period with half the wage cost to be paid by Sagamore Hills Township as a reimbursement to Northfield Center Township.”

Mr. Snell commented this should cover us all the way through. There are some odds and ends that need to be cleared up, and Northfield Center needs the secretary’s help in organizing the fire district records. She is also conducting an inventory for Northfield Center for their fire equipment independent of the fire district transition work.

Mr. Snell said that he and Scott will review the ADP reports from Northfield Center Township when they are completed as there were some hours that the secretary worked for Northfield Center Township and not on the fire district work. Mr. Gale will carefully review the reports.

Amendment to Resolution 16-43 seconded by Mr. Zaccardelli.
R/C Vote: Zaccardelli-aye; DePasquale-aye.

Mr. Gale asked Mr. Snell whether anyone at the fire district had any idea how much is owed the district fire department of Northfield Center-Sagamore Hills for revenues. Mr. Snell responded no.

Mr. Gale stated we still do not know how much will come into this account for revenues. There is no tracking system. They have no way to notify us and let us know whether a certain amount of dollars are still owed for back billing. It could take months or a whole year waiting for revenues to come in. John Zaccardelli asked who would be monitoring the revenue coming in. Mr. Snell stated David DePasquale and Richard Reville will be the only signers on the account at First Merit. Funds will not be released until we get through the audit.

Mr. Snell gave a summary on the revenue process.

There was a brief discussion.

Mr. Zaccardelli asked whether the outstanding revenues would be split by the number of calls per community. Mr. Snell responded no. The outstanding revenues would be split with 64.78% going Sagamore and 35.22% going to Northfield Center.

Mr. Gale asked whether we were a minute less in time for response to calls. Mr. DePasquale responded yes. Mr. Zaccardelli commented the police love the professionalism and response time. The service has been enhanced throughout the entire community.

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Mr. DePasquale asked whether there was any additional business to be brought before the board.

There was no further business.

Mr. Zaccardelli made a motion to adjourn at 9:16 a.m. Seconded by Mr. DePasquale.
R/C Vote: all in favor