

**Township of Greenwich
Closed Meeting Minutes
February 17, 2015**

Mayor Shivery called the closed meeting to order of the Greenwich Township Council for February 17, 2015 at 7:17 pm

Personnel matters:

Jeff Godfrey, the administrative assistant explained how we came to appoint a part-time tax collector to replace Barbara, our full-time tax collector who is retiring. Barbara stayed a month longer than she originally planned to help us out. The part-time tax collector will work three days a week. Jeff also hired two clerical workers to help out on the days the part-time tax collector is off and when the full-time employees take vacations. The new clerical employees will be cross-trained so they can move around and help fill in efficiently. Hiring three part-time employees will save the Twp. about \$1,060.00 and the cost of medical/health insurance benefits.

Jeff explained how Barbara will be putting in a p.o. for Medicare reimbursement, since she didn't retire as planned in February, but Medicare still sent her a bill for the month of February.

Next the police chief gave Mayor and Council a brief history on the budget planning for the police dept. for the last four years as well as this year and how the new k-9 was funded entirely by donations. The dept. budget was never increased but they worked with a full staff and this year his requested budget went down. His dept. has increased productivity and efficiency the last four years without asking for increases. He is hoping that Mayor and Council will consent to an increase of longevity for himself, the captain and lieutenant for their years of service and hard work. The chief also explained that a major part of Angie's (police administrative clerk) job is for discovery work and he would like an increase for her of \$3,700.00 to equal the SLEO I salary.

Mayor and Council had a few questions for the chief and the solicitor concerning the proposed increase and discussed how this and other things could affect the Twp. budget.

Lastly, the solicitor explained how she was at a meeting with a former employee who previously took a disability retirement, to discuss the former employees' entitlement to receiving medical/health insurance benefits from the Twp. After reviewing all of the information and documents of the former employees' work history and Twp. ordinances the solicitor came to the conclusion that this employee is not entitled to Twp. medical/health insurance benefits.

Adjournment

Councilman Giovannitti motioned, seconded by Councilman Franklin to adjourn the closed session. Roll call was unanimous in favor of the motion. Vote 5-0 Time 8:57 pm

No action was taken during this meeting.

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George W. Shivery, Jr., Mayor

Attest

Lori L. Biermann, Municipal Clerk