

April 9, 2012 Board of Supervisors Meeting

Vice Chairman Rick Kramer called the regular meeting of the Township Board of Supervisors to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Tulpehocken Township Municipal Building. Those attending the regular monthly meeting were John Kintzer (late arrival), Rick Kramer, Gary Deck, Kathy Boltz, Bryan Dronick, Cheryl Allerton, and other interested persons.

The meeting continued with the pledge to the American Flag.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

none

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Gary Deck made a motion to approve the minutes from the March 12, 2012 Board of Supervisors meeting and March 14, 2012 zoning workshop. Rick Kramer second the motion, upon a roll call both Board Members cast a yes vote.

ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIONS

Planning Commission Recommendations to the Board

Planning Commission had no recommendations for the Board of Supervisors for the April 9, 2012 meeting. Township Solicitor did comment that the Village Estates plan is pending before the PC and will be asking for approval at next month's meeting.

Solicitor Legal Discussions

County Radio's – Solicitor recommended the Board does not sign the agreement and promissory note for the radios, they are in the process of asking the county to simplify and clean up the paperwork to provide a less expensive way to process.

STAFF REPORTS

Police Report –Officer Dronick read the March 2012 Police report as follows:

Activity	Tulpehocken Twp.	Strausstown Borough	Marion Twp.
Miles Patrolled	2841	160	1169
Gallons of Fuel	311	0	0
Hours of Work	491.6	20	60
Total Incidents	6	0	1
Complaints	9	0	9
Follow-up Investigations	0	0	1
Telephone Assignments	21	1	11
Comm/Residential to Alarms	1	0	0
EMS/Fire Advisory	1	3	7
Traffic Stops	31	1	12
Citations Issued	37	1	12
Non-traffic Citations	3	0	0
Traffic Warnings	1	0	0
Parking Tickets	0	0	0

Traffic Accidents	3	0	1
DUI Arrests	0	0	0
Misdemeanor/Felony	0	0	0
Security Checks	181	105	91
Police Assists	14	0	0
Motorists Assists	1	0	0
Court Appearances	4	0	0
School Hours	0	0	0

Road Master's Report – Rick Kramer read the March 2012 report. The work consisted of equipment maintenance, sewer maintenance, and sewage meter readings, meeting with FEMA, pull sewer pumps and road repair from a diesel fuel spill on Host Road.

Gary Deck asked if the Board has a list of the road to be worked on this year. The Board does not have a list at this time and will ask the Road Master to provide one for next month's meeting.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Commercial Insurance – EHD has provided quotes to the Board for the commercial insurance package renewal. The final overall premium will be \$41,638.00. The Solicitor will review the pooling agreement. Gary Deck made a motion to authorize the Township Secretary to execute the agreements for the renewal pending approval from the Solicitor. Rick Kramer second the motion, upon a roll call vote, both Board Members cast a yes vote.

NEW BUSINESS

Health Insurance Renewal – Capital Blue Cross renewal is effective 6/1/2012 through 5/31/2013. The renewal proposes an increase for the coverage being provided. The Board decided to table this topic due to the Chairman not being at this meeting; the renewal isn't until June 1, 2012.

County Radios for Police Department – Police Chief has received the documents related to the county radio order along with a request to confirm that the order is correct and for approval to order the radios and to have them shipped to the county. The Board had decided to table this until the Chairman is present for comment.

Prevailing Wage Resolution – Gary Deck made a motion to adopt Resolution 2012-5 to eliminate or amend the state prevailing wage act. Rick Kramer second the motion, upon a roll call vote both Board Members cast a yes vote.

CORRESPONDENCE

Waiver of Sewer User Fees – Ralph Trautman at 4 East mill St, Mt Aetna is requesting a waiver of sewer user fees. The house is for sale and has been empty since July 2011. Gary Deck made a motion to waiver the sewer user fees until the house is occupied again. Rick Kramer second the motion, upon a roll call vote, both Board Members cast a yes vote.

Michele Fogle is the niece and power of attorney for Helen Clentimack, Helen owns the property at 4 Hunsicker Lane, Mt Aetna, Michele is asking for a waiver of sewer user fees due to the sewer

been turned off. The property has recently been put on the market for sale, vacated approximately two months ago and has been winterized by Irvin Weiler. Gary Deck made a motion to waive the sewer fees for Helen Clentimack with the condition that proof is submitted for the power of attorney and winterization. Rick Kramer second the motion, upon a roll call vote all three Board Members cast a yes vote on the motion.

The Board also directed the Sewer Service Secretary to provide a monthly list of vacant sewer properties that are granted a waiver of the user fees for the Board to review.

Breakfast for Municipal Government Officials – Municipal Official for Berks County have been invited to attend two breakfast meetings. One is to be held at Oley Fire Company April 27th or October 5th being held at the Strausstown Fire Company. The Board Members decided to attend the breakfast in the fall to be held in Strausstown.

At this time Resident Todd Wentling asked the Board if the street light for Mountain Meadows Development could be turned on for security to the residents. There has been vandalism, ringing of doorbells in the middle of the night, and theft in the development. The township is not responsible for the street lights until they are dedicated to the township; the developer is responsible for them.

At this time Chairman John Kintzer arrived at the meeting.

FINANCIAL REPORT AND APPROVAL FOR PAYMENT OF BILLS

Account Balances for the end of March 2012 were as follows:

General Account	129,617.69
FNB Fredericksburg Holding Account	27,440.59
General Plus Account	198,592.74
State Aid Account	592.90
State Plus Account	160,651.55
Street Light Account	4,210.40

Chairman John Kintzer commented that the township police department received an invoice for heart defibrillator batteries ordered by the Rehersburg Fire Company. The account has been changed to have three authorized persons, Chief Kris Kerschner, John Kintzer, and Kathy Boltz. The invoice has been forwarded to the Fire Company for payment.

Rick Kramer made a motion to approve the payments of the bills for this April 9, 2012. Gary Deck second the motion, upon a roll call vote all three Board Members cast a yes vote.

Payments of Bills for this April 9, 2012 meeting are:

General Account – Checks #13526 to #13555 in the amount of \$23,943.25
Street Light Account – Check #299 in the amount of \$1,265.01
State Liquid Fuels Account –
Camp Calvary Land Dev. Escrow –
Camp Calvary Inspection Escrow –
Martin Poultry Operation Inspection Escrow –
Stormwater Inspection Escrow –
Total Expenses for this meeting – \$25,208.26

Sewer Accounts balances for the end of March 2012 are as follows:

Sewer Operation Account – \$25,146.73
Balance in the Sewer Holding Account - \$8,809.23
Debt Service Account - \$422,710.87

Payments of Bills in the Sewer Operation Account for this April 9, 2012 meeting are:
Check #1072 to #1081 in the amount of \$7,379.00

Rick Kramer made a motion to approve payment of the sewer bills motion second by Gary Deck. Upon a roll-call vote, all three Board members cast a yes vote on the motion.

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

At 8:08 p.m. Rick Kramer made a motion to adjourn the meeting, which was second by Gary Deck. Upon a roll call vote, all three Board members cast a yes vote on the motion, meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kathy Boltz

Secretary, Tulpehocken Township