

August 10, 2009 Board of Supervisors Meeting

Chairman Whitmoyer 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 Ron Whitmoyer, Dale Swope, John Kintzer, Kathy Boltz, Liz Magovern, Pete Eisenbrown, Kris Kerschner, and other interested persons.

The meeting continued with the pledge to the American Flag.

Public Comments

Rick Klopp, Chairman of the Recreation Board attended the meeting to share some ideas the Recreation Board has for Mountain Meadows and Gettel Acres. For Mountain Meadows, some ideas are to install walking paths, clean up the old foundation and make them more appealing or maybe convert them into a pavilion.

For Gettel Acres, the land being donated will adjoin the existing Lions Club property. There is also additional land at the far end of the development that is not useful for developing and has a sanitary sewer line going through it. Mr. and Mrs. Conner had planned on donating this portion of land to the Conservancy, however they would consider donating it to the Township for walking paths and provide easy access to the sewer line if maintenance is needed. All of the Recreation Board members are in agreement that this would be a good idea and is asking how the Board feels about it. Township Engineer commented that he agrees the ideas are good for Gettel Acres, as well as the ideas for Mountain Meadows. They both provide a pedestrian link for the residence to get from the new development to the existing town and local businesses.

Recreation Board Member, Cliff Howarth informed the Board that there is a DCNR Peer Grant in the amount of \$11,000.00 available for creating a recreation plan. DCNR will provide an Engineer in training to do a study of our community and come up with a recreation plan. The Recreation Board needs to pay \$1000.00 and DCNR will come up with the rest of the money. John Kintzer made a motion to give \$1000.00 for the DCNR Peer Grant. Dale Swope second the motion, upon a roll call vote all three Board Members cast a yes vote.

Resident, Gerald Derr asked the Board if the Township owned the road behind the cemetery in Mt Aetna and if they knew what the developer's intentions are for this road. The developer that had purchased the McMichael property, John Schaeffer, had attended the meeting. Mr. Schaeffer commented that he is preparing plans to share with the Township but has not submitted them at this time. Mr. Derr commented that it would be a good idea for the Township and the Developer to work together to restore this roadway.

Approval of Minutes

Dale Swope made a motion to approve the minutes from the July 13, 2009 meeting and the July 24, 2009 special meeting. John Kintzer second the motion, upon a roll call vote all three Board Members cast a yes vote.

ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIONS

Planning Commission Recommendations to the Board

Gettel Acres – Robert Murphy, from Larson Design attended the meeting and will be replacing David Wells for the Gettel Acres and Camp Calvary projects. Mr. Murphy is taking care of items on the last Ludgate review letter. Dale Swope made a motion to revise a sentence within note 17 to state: The contractor/property owner shall provide the township prior to issuance of the building permit for particular lot documentation that the proposed well for such lot is capable of supplying potable water at the minimum rate of 600 gallons in a two hour period once each day and at a rate of not less than five gallons per minute for two hours, either with or without the use of a storage system. John Kintzer second the motion, upon a roll call vote all three Board Members cast a yes vote.

John Kintzer made a motion to conditionally approve Phase I subject to complying with comments in Ludgate’s July 29, 2009 review letter and subject to review of Note 17 as recommended by the Planning Commission, and subject to an improvements agreement with financial security, and stormwater maintenance agreement and financial security. Motion second by Dale Swope, upon a roll call vote all three Board Members cast a yes vote.

Alspaugh – Planning Commission recommended granting waivers for the proposed private street. Dale Swope made a motion to grant a waiver of section 501.2.A.6. with 3” of airport mix. Motion second by John Kintzer, upon a roll call vote all three Board Members cast a yes vote.

John Kintzer made a motion to grant a waiver of section 501.2.C.1. Dale Swope second the motion, upon a roll call vote all three Board Members cast a yes vote.

Dale Swope made a motion to grant a waiver of section 501.2.C.D. John Kintzer second the motion, upon a roll call vote all three Board Members cast a yes vote.

John Kintzer made a motion to grant a waiver of section 501.2.D.4. Dale Swope second the motion, upon a roll call vote all three Board Members cast a yes vote.

John Kintzer made a motion to grant a waiver of section 602.9. Dale Swope second the motion, upon a roll call vote all three Board Members cast a yes vote.

Dale Swope made a motion to approve Clement Lane as the street name for this development. Motion second by John Kintzer, upon a roll call vote all three Board Members cast a yes vote.

Camp Calvary - John Kintzer made a motion to grant a time extension until December 15, 2009. Motion second by Dale Swope, upon a roll call vote all three Board Members cast a yes vote.

Dale Swope made a motion to grant a waiver of section 302.3.I not showing contour lines on the south most portion of the tract. John Kintzer second the motion, upon a roll call vote all three Board Members cast a yes vote.

Mt Meadows Revised Phase I - A letter requesting a 30 day time extension had been submitted to the Township. It had been discussed that the time is not needed, the plan is conditionally approved. The annexation deeds need to be reviewed by Township Solicitor then the plans can be signed and released.

Other - It had been discussed at the July workshop to remove the restriction of tractor trailers. At this meeting, it was discussed at the August Planning Commission meeting how tractor trailers are using West Market Street as a cut off between route 501 and 645. Planning Commission made

a recommendation to the Board of Supervisors to post West Market Street to local deliveries only. The Township is looking at making changes to the square in Mt Aetna and to the traffic ordinance and will consider keeping the street to local deliveries only. The Board decided to think this through for now.

Solicitor Legal Discussions – None at this time.

STAFF REPORTS

Police Report – Chief Kerschner read the July 2009 Police report as follows:

Activity	Tulpehocken Twp.	Strausstown Borough	Marion Twp.
Miles Patrolled	2748	135	1043
Gallons of Fuel	269.6	0	0
Hours of Work	436	20	60
Total Incidents	12	2	6
Complaints	2	0	1
Follow-up Investigations	6	0	4
Telephone Assignments	17	1	4
Comm/Residential to Alarms	2	0	2
EMS/Fire Advisory	10	2	3
Traffic Stops	65	7	15
Citations Issued	75	7	14
Non-traffic Citations	0	0	1
Traffic Warnings	4	0	0
Parking Tickets	0	0	0
Traffic Accidents	3	0	1
DUI Arrests	0	0	0
Misdemeanor/Felony	0	0	0
Security Checks	82	39	26
Police Assists	4	0	0
Motorists Assists	1	0	0
Court Appearances	2	1	0
School Hours	0	0	0

Chief Kerschner also reported that during a storm a tree fell on the police cruiser and is need of repair. The insurance company has been notified and Jim Glass had been out to look at the damage and will prepare an estimate for the cost of the repairs.

At this time Dale Swope commented that the police have been studying the stop sign at Greble and Woleber Road. Chief Kerschner commented that they studied the intersection for 4 1/4 hours and only one citation had been issued out of 67 vehicles, for failing to stop at the posted sign. The police are working with the problem; it varies on time of day and the amount of traffic.

Road Master's Report – Ron Whitmoyer read the Road Master report for the month of July, Road Master Lester Feick was unable to attend the meeting. The work for July consisted of shop work mowing grass, road maintenance, helping Marion Township, and sewer work. The Township has not received a letter from Penn Dot to begin the second cycle of mowing.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Omnibus Traffic Ordinance – Dale Swope made a motion to change the Omnibus Ordinance to allow the Township to collect the \$5.00 fee for playing in the streets. John Kintzer second the motion, upon a roll call vote all three members cast a yes vote. The current parking tickets will be revised to add this violation to it, as to minimize the amount of tickets the Police Officers need to keep on hand.

Act 167 Plan Update for Swatara and Tulpehocken Creek Watershed – Chairman Whitmoyer commented that John Schuller does not want to attend the meetings for the Act 167 Watershed plans. John Kintzer made a motion to appoint Ludgate Engineering as representative of Tulpehocken Township to sit on the Watershed Plan Advisory Committee. Motion second by Dale Swope, upon a roll call vote all three Board Members cast a yes vote. The Board would like to set up a meeting with Ludgate Engineering to share their ideas and concerns about the watershed plans within the Township.

Lions Park Drive – At this time the Board discussed the portion of Lions Park Drive between Teen Challenge Road and Jacob Street, and making it a one-way in this section due to the street being narrow and an existing building that would make it hard to widen. With the amount of increased traffic from the Gettel Acres development it would be a good idea to do this while updating the Omnibus Traffic Ordinance. John Kintzer made a motion to have a portion of Lions Park Drive be a one-way street going west from Teen Challenge Road to Jacob Street. Dale Swope second the motion, upon a roll call vote all three Board Members cast a yes vote.

Act 32 Earned Income Tax Collection – Dale Swope made a motion to sign Resolution 2009 - 11 appointing Dale Swope as voting delegate and John Kintzer as Alternate voting delegate to the Tax Collection Committee. John Kintzer second the motion, upon a roll call vote all three Board Members cast a yes vote.

Mt Aetna Square - Penn Dot is not in favor of the plan the Township submitted for review with raised islands. The Board discussed the possibility of installing a traffic light or possibly necking down Market Street and having cross walks as well as designating parking within the square. The Board decided to table the discussion until next meeting and take time to think about it.

NEW BUSINESS

LED Street Lighting – The Board had discussed the possibility of having LED Street Lights in the new developments. It had been discussed that only a few manufactures due them, Met Ed does not have a program for LED lights, and that each light would be metered separately. No action taken.

CORRESPONDENCE

None at this time

FINANCIAL REPORT AND APPROVAL FOR PAYMENT OF BILLS

Account Balances for the end of July 2009 were as follows:

General Account	149,830.47
FNB Fredericksburg Holding Account	44,285.92
General Plus Account	197,724.98

State Aid Account	1,362.53
State Plus Account	211,743.54
Street Light Account	14,955.47

Payments of Bills for this August 10, 2009 meeting are:

General Account combined with the payroll account- Checks #11332 to #11367 in the amount of \$30,230.58

Street Light Account – Check 266 in the amount of \$1,025.51

State Liquid Fuels Account – Check 138 to 141 in the amount of \$33,509.02

Camp Calvary Land Development Escrow - \$319.00

Total Expenses for this meeting – \$65,086.11

Dale Swope made a motion to pay the bills with exception of check 11339 payable to Swope's Garage, motion second by John Kintzer. Upon a roll-call vote, all three Board members cast a yes vote on the motion. John Kintzer made a motion to pay check 11339 payable to Swope's Garage, Ronald Whitmoyer second the motion, upon a roll call vote Ron and John cast a yes vote and Dale abstained.

Sewer Accounts

Sewer Operation Account – \$23,909.27

Balance in the Sewer Holding Account - \$20,186.12

Debt Service Account - \$468,946.15

Payments of Bills in the Sewer Operation Account for this August 10, 2009 meeting are:

Check 605 to 616 in the amount of \$8,842.16

Dale Swope made a motion to approve payment of the sewer bills motion second by John Kintzer. Upon a roll-call vote, all three Board members cast a yes vote on the motion.

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

At 9:33 p.m. John Kintzer made a motion to adjourn that was second by Dale Swope. 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