

## **February 14, 2011 Board of Supervisors Meeting**

Chairman Kintzer 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, Rick Kramer, Ron Whitmoyer, Kathy Boltz, Kris Kerschner, Lester Feick, Bethany Emkey, and other interested persons.

The meeting continued with the pledge to the American Flag.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Ron Whitmoyer made a motion to approve the minutes from the January 10, 2011 and January 17, 2011 joint meeting with Bethel Township. Rick Kramer second the motion, upon a roll call vote all three Board Members cast a yes vote.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None at this time.

### **ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIONS**

#### **Planning Commission Recommendations to the Board**

**Teen Challenge/New Man** – Planning Commission made a recommendation to the Board of Supervisors to reject Teen Challenge's request for re-zoning of a portion of their property from Effective Agricultural Preservation to Industrial/Commercial. At this time Township Solicitor commented that Teen Challenge has requested the motion from the Planning Commission be tabled for another month or so. Chairman John Kintzer commented that he also received a phone call from Teen Challenge with this request. It was discussed that the Board of Supervisors does not have to take action and can table the matter until the next meeting. Ron commented that Teen Challenge is looking at other options and he is okay with letting it sit. John Kintzer made a motion to follow PC recommendation and reject Teen Challenge's request for re-zoning of a portion of their property from Effective Agricultural Preservation to Industrial/Commercial. Rick Kramer seconded the motion, upon a roll call vote John and Rick cast a yes vote, Ron cast a no vote.

Resident Jayne Seifrit asked what the next step is if Teen Challenge wants to submit another concept. Ron Whitmoyer commented that Teen Challenge had asked if the Board of Supervisors would hear them out, the Board did that acting in good faith to hear them out. John Kintzer commented that he would like to see plans and a recommendation from the Planning Commission.

**Camp Calvary** – Planning Commission did not make a recommendation, time extension letter was received after the February PC meeting. Planning Commission conditionally approved this plan on December 2, 2010. Ron Whitmoyer made a motion to accept a 99 day time extension. Rick Kramer second the motion, upon a roll call vote all three Board Members cast a yes vote on the motion. The extension will extend to June 14, 2011.

**Solicitor Legal Discussions** – Township Solicitor received a letter from Marion Townships Solicitor regarding use of Marion Township's plow. It was discussed that the letter went out by

mistake. Bethany will send a letter in response to Marion Township's Solicitor, stating that Tulpehocken Township understands this was sent in error and if there is a future use we can discuss.

## STAFF REPORTS

**Police Report** – Chief Kerschner read the January 2011 Police report as follows:

Activity	Tulpehocken Twp.	Strausstown Borough	Marion Twp.
Miles Patrolled	2601	129	1047
Gallons of Fuel	300.5	0	0
Hours of Work	498	20	60
Total Incidents	3	2	3
Complaints	7	4	6
Follow-up Investigations	4	1	0
Telephone Assignments	21	2	12
Comm/Residential to Alarms	1	0	1
EMS/Fire Advisory	12	2	9
Traffic Stops	28	3	9
Citations Issued	25	2	7
Non-traffic Citations	1	1	2
Traffic Warnings	4	2	1
Parking Tickets	0	3	2
Traffic Accidents	6	0	2
DUI Arrests	1	0	0
Misdemeanor/Felony	5	1	0
Security Checks	125	100	75
Police Assists	11	0	0
Motorists Assists	1	0	1
Court Appearances	3	0	0
School Hours	0	0	0

At this time Ron Whitmoyer asked Chief Kerschner how the Explorer is running. Chief Kerschner commented that sealer was put in and since the sealer was put in antifreeze was added. It was discussed that at 2011 budget meeting the Board had budgeted for a vehicle payment. Chief Kerschner would like to do something soon; it takes approximately 8 weeks to get a new vehicle. Ron Whitmoyer made a motion to pursue this and have Chief Kerschner find the better deal for a new Tahoe. Rick Kramer second the motion, upon a roll call vote all three Board Members cast a yes vote.

**Road Master's Report** – Road Master, Lester Feick read the report for January 2011. The work consisted of snow and ice removal, stock pile antiskid and salt, and repair equipment.

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS

**Comprehensive Fee Schedule** – The Board discussed the current fee schedule for Subdivision and Land Development and compared them to other Township's Fee Schedules. The current fee schedule for Tulpehocken Township is low and the Secretary is always billing applicants for fees. Rick Kramer commented that people would rather pay more up front. Ron Whitmoyer made a motion to increase the fees by 50% across the board with a clause to be added stating that the

applicant has 30 days to replenish the escrow when they fall below 25% of the escrow. Rick Kramer second the motion upon a roll call vote all three Board Members cast a yes vote. The Board also discussed the application fee for zoning change. The Solicitor will research what cost can be recovered.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

**Regional Police Study** – Rick Kramer made a motion to approve and sign the letter of intent for a Regional Police Study. Ron Whitmoyer second the motion upon a roll call vote all three Board Members cast a yes vote.

**Schrack Estate Subdivision** – The Schrack Estate Subdivision is part of the Act 537 plan but is not connected to the public sewer system. Schrack property may be close enough to connect. The Board of Supervisors makes the determination if hook up is required. Ron Whitmoyer commented that the road and field side is more then 150 feet from the line, but could be connected because it is in act 537. The Board agreed that more information is needed to make the determination.

**Mount Aetna Village** – Leonard Martin contacted the Township Office and inquired on how to purchase and reserve the EDU's for Mount Aetna Village. The Township Solicitor commented that the Township and Mr. Martin would enter into a Sewer EDU Capacity Purchase Agreement and the Township Engineer would need to evaluate the capacity of the Treatment Plant and Pumping Station. The Board decided to have the Solicitor review the rules and regulation for this matter and draft a resolution with the requirements.

**Gerald Bashore Apartments** – Bashore apartments at 7651 Lancaster Ave have been under renovation since the notice to connect to the public sewer had been issued. Mr. Bashore did not pay all the tapping fees at that time. He wanted to pay for the tapping fees as the apartments were completed. The Township received an occupancy permit for apartment 6 and will start billing for sewer user charges. However Mr. Bashore did not pay tapping fee for apartment 6 and apartment 5. Apartment 5 occupancy permit was issued in 2010. The Board agreed to have the Sewer Secretary bill Mr. Bashore for tapping fees for apartment 5 & 6.

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

none

## **FINANCIAL REPORT AND APPROVAL FOR PAYMENT OF BILLS**

Account Balances for the end of January 2011 were as follows:

General Account	139,024.60
FNB Fredericksburg Holding Account	13,510.20
General Plus Account	198,458.91
State Aid Account	300.41
State Plus Account	927.82
Street Light Account	5,838.19

Payments of Bills for this February 14, 2011 meeting are:

General Account combined with the payroll account- Checks #12602 to #12637 in the amount of \$48,063.10

Street Light Account – Check 285 in the amount of \$1,218.92  
State Liquid Liquid Fuels Account –  
Camp Calvary Land Dev. Escrow – Check #127 in the amount of \$1,053.60  
Total Expenses for this meeting – \$50,335.62

Ron Whitmoyer made a motion to pay the bills, Rick Kramer second the motion. Upon a roll-call vote, all three Board members cast a yes vote on the motion.

Sewer Accounts  
Sewer Operation Account – \$19,824.56  
Balance in the Sewer Holding Account - \$1,305.00  
Debt Service Account - \$437,421.49

Payments of Bills in the Sewer Operation Account for this February 14, 2011 meeting are:  
Check 863 to 873 in the amount of \$10,821.15

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

**ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING**

At 8:21 p.m. Rick Kramer made a motion to adjourn that was second by Ron Whitmoyer. 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