

January 14, 2013 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, Gary Deck, Kathy Boltz, Michelle Mayfield, Kris Kerschner, Lester Feick, and other interested persons.

The meeting continued with the pledge to the American Flag.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Resident Gary Witmer commented that there are no stop signs on Rehrer Street and Lions Park Drive. Mr. Witmer asked why the white lines have not been painted on Godfrey Street after the repaving and seal coating in town, and why the street was not swept; the loose stones are difficult for the elderly residents to walk on. The Board replied that Godfrey Street is a state road and the Township is not responsible for the line painting or sweeping and the street was swept by PennDot after the seal coating. Lester Feick commented that he had called PennDot about the line painting and the response he was giving was that the lines will be painted this spring. Mr. Feick will also call and ask them to sweep the stones. Mr. Witmer stated that at the stop sign at the Keystone House in Rehrersburg no one stops. The Board discussed moving the stop line closer to the intersection.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Rick Kramer made a motion to approve the minutes from the December 10 & December 17, 2012 Board of Supervisors meeting, December 12, 2012 zoning workshop, and January 7, 2013 reorganization meeting. Gary Deck second the motion, upon a roll call vote all three Board Members cast a yes vote.

ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIONS

Planning Commission Recommendations to the Board

Teen Challenge Annexation – Planning Commission recommended granting conditional plan approval upon the conditions in the Ludgate review letter dated January 2, 2013 and the Solicitor to concur with Attorney Chris Hartman regarding placement of future development units on the lots. The Board of Supervisors discussed and agreed that they do not feel it is necessary to show the future lots on the annexation plan. John Kintzer made a motion to conditionally approve the Teen Challenge Annexation Plan, pending the Planning Commission recommendation without showing future lots. Gary Deck second the motion, upon a roll call vote all three Board Members cast a yes vote.

Solicitor Legal Discussions

Stormwater Management Ordinance Amendment – Gary Deck made a motion to authorize the Township Solicitor to advertise Stormwater Management Ordinance 2013 -1. Rick Kramer second the motion, upon a roll call vote all three Board Members cast a yes vote.

Driveway Ordinance Amendment – Gary Deck made a motion to authorize the Township Solicitor to advertise Driveway Ordinance Ordinance 2013 -2. Rick Kramer second the motion, upon a roll call vote all three Board Members cast a yes vote.

STAFF REPORTS

Police Report –Kris Kerschner read the December 2012 Police report as follows:

Activity	Tulpehocken Twp.	Strausstown Borough	Marion Twp.
Miles Patrolled	2230	109	876
Gallons of Fuel	254	0	0
Hours of Work	360.5	20	60
Total Incidents	3	0	2
Complaints	9	1	1
Follow-up Investigations	0	0	4
Telephone Assignments	10	1	20
Comm/Residential to Alarms	0	0	2
EMS/Fire Advisory	8	1	4
Traffic Stops	15	1	3
Citations Issued	14	1	3
Non-traffic Citations	0	0	0
Traffic Warnings	4	1	0
Parking Tickets	0	0	0
Traffic Accidents	3	0	2
DUI Arrests	0	0	0
Misdemeanor/Felony	1	0	1
Security Checks	103	53	48
Police Assists	14	0	0
Motorists Assists	3	0	3
Court Appearances	0	0	0
School Hours	0	0	0

Chief Kerschner commented that the Police Officers will be attending the annual classes on law updates March 25 & 26, 2013. Chief Kerschner and Officer Dronick will be attending a training class on January 25, 2013 for the Aggressive Driving Grant. The Grant Detail will be covering a section 419 in Marion Township during the months of March and April 2013. The new vests have been order for the police department.

Road Master's Report – Lester Feick read the December 2012 report. The work consisted of snow events, sewer maintenance, shop work, and mixing antiskid. Gary Deck commented that at the Teen Challenge Road and Four Point Road intersection “STOP” had not been painted on the road. The road crew responded that the paint machine was cleaned up for the season and that in the spring they will get it done.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Amnesty for Delinquent Sewer Accounts – Rick Kramer made a motion to adopt resolution 2013 – 3 establishing the Amnesty Program. Gary Deck second the motion, upon a roll call vote all three Board Members cast a yes vote.

NEW BUSINESS

Professional Automotive Services – Mr. Zimmerman is requesting a release of the escrow money that is being held. Township Engineer has completed inspections and approves the release of the surety for this project in the amount of \$8,098.75 hereby closing out the escrow. John Kintzer made a motion to release the escrow funds. Rick Kramer second the motion, upon a roll call vote all three Board Members cast a yes vote.

Uniform Construction Code County Wide Appeals Board – The Township currently has its own Board (Barry Wessner, Dale Stump, and Alan Bashore), the Board of Supervisors decided to keep the Uniform Construction Appeals Board the same and not participate with the county. Rick Kramer made a motion to keep the Uniform Construction Appeals Board the same and not participate in the Countywide Board of Appeals. Gary Deck second the motion, upon a roll call vote all three Board Members cast a yes vote.

Solvency Fee for Calendar Year 2013 – Calculation of 2013 Solvency Fee for Relief from Charges is \$304.11. To be eligible to request relief from charges for benefits corresponding to applications for benefits that take effect in 2013 the solvency fee must be paid in full. The Board decided to not participate.

CORRESPONDENCE

Bethel Township Snow Plowing Agreement – Randall Haag, Road Master for Bethel Township is proposing an agreement between Bethel Township's Road Master and Tulpehocken Township's Road Master for snow plowing for the 2012 – 2013 season. The plan is as follows: Tulpehocken Township will plow Gravel Pit Road and Midway Road (south of Old Route 22) in its entirety. Additionally Tulpehocken Township will plow Bordner Road from Deck Road to Martin Drive, and Airport Road from Rehreburg Road to Little Swatara Church Road. Bethel Township will plow Salem Road in its entirety. Additionally Bethel Township will plow Bordner Road from Route 501 to Martin Drive and Airport Road Cul-de-sac to Little Swatara Church Road. Gary Deck made a motion for Road Master to enter into the agreement with the condition upon approval of coverage from the insurance carrier. Rick Kramer second the motion, upon a roll call vote all three Board Members cast a yes vote.

Purchase of EDU's – There was discussion on how to handle EDU purchases and when user fees should begin. The Solicitor will review and draft a resolution for the next meeting if needed. The Mt Aetna Mennonite School is inquiring on purchasing EDU's for the proposed school. There was also discussion on a possible slaughter house dumping into the Mt Aetna sewer.

Teen Challenge Pump Station – John, Rick, Butch, and Township Engineer met with Teen Challenge for fact finding purposes, pertaining to the Teen Challenge Pump Station, no action was taken. More research is being done on how to solve the problem of debris entering the sanitary sewer system. Teen Challenge wants to cooperate with the Township; the Township Engineer is researching the options.

Cell Phones – The current cell phone plan with Nextel will be obsolete on June 30, 2013. The Board authorized the Township Secretary to check on cell phone service with other providers.

FINANCIAL REPORT AND APPROVAL FOR PAYMENT OF BILLS

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

General Account	217,100.60
FNB Fredericksburg Holding Account	8,582.41
General Plus Account	198,571.35
State Aid Account	592.86
State Plus Account	11,196.92
Street Light Account	6,155.23

Rick Kramer made a motion to approve the payments of the bills for this January 14, 2013 meeting. Gary Deck second the motion, upon a roll call vote all three Board Members cast a yes vote.

Payments of Bills for this January 14, 2013 meeting are:

General Account combined with the payroll account- Checks #14086 to #14125 in the amount of \$36,621.17
 Street Light Account – Check #309 in the amount of \$1,236.64
 State Liquid Fuels Account –
 Camp Calvary Land Dev. Escrow – Check #141 in the amount of \$62.00
 Camp Calvary Inspection Escrow –
 Martin Poultry Operation Inspection Escrow – Check #105 in the amount of \$172.50
 Stormwater Inspection Escrow –
 Total Expenses for this meeting – \$38,092.31

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

Sewer Operation Account – \$13,983.64
 Balance in the Sewer Holding Account - \$561.65
 Debt Service Account - \$402,847.43

Payments of Bills in the Sewer Operation Account for this January 14, 2013 meeting are:
 Check #1189 to #1201 in the amount of \$9,465.27

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 8:45 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