

July 12, 2010 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, John Kintzer, Rick Kramer, Kathy Boltz, Kris Kerschner, Lester Feick, Bethany Emkey, and other interested persons.

The meeting continued with the pledge to the American Flag.

Public Comments

Resident Ruth Moyer asked the Board why the weeds on Salem Road had not been mowed. The Board responded that it may have been forgotten and they will tend to the mowing. Ruth also commented that the weeds look terrible at the Kennedy residence in Mt Aetna. The Township will contact Mr. Kennedy about mowing the weeds.

Resident Gerald Derr commented that the blinker lights on the stop sign in the square in Mt Aetna are out, and requested that the Board look into purchasing dusk to dawn lights to save energy and tax dollars. The Board commented that this is only a temporary fix for the square. Gerald also requested the parking stripes in the square be refreshed before the bicentennial celebration. Also the swale on Market Street has weeds growing in the cracks and the cracks should be tended to with seal coat. Gerald commented that the Township has spent money to renovate the square in Mt Aetna; he feels the square needs safety not beautification. The Board commented that the renovations need to be approved by Penn Dot; the Township is still waiting for a response from Penn Dot on the latest submission. Gerald also asked when the stop signs will be installed at French Alley. The Board commented that the Omnibus Ordinance was passed; signs are on order and will be installed shortly.

Approval of Minutes

John Kintzer made a motion to approve the minutes from the June 14, 2010 meeting. Rick Kramer second the motion, upon a roll call vote all three Board Members cast a yes vote.

ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIONS

Opening of Road Bids – Bids had been received as follows for seal coating of the following portions of roads, Host Church Road from 419 to Jefferson Township line, Witman Road from Teen Challenge Road, Mill Road from 501 to Hill Road, Airport Road from Little Swatara Church Road to Bethel Township line.

	Asphalt Maintenance	
	Solutions	Martin Paving
Host Church Road	35,340.00	37,932.87
Witman Road	16,535.20	17,733.35
Mill Road	10,501.92	11,259.27
<u>Airport Road</u>	<u>13,589.68</u>	<u>14,569.71</u>
Total Bid:	75,966.80	81,495.20

According to amounts Asphalt Maintenance Solutions is lowest bidder for the seal coat project. The Board will delay in awarding the bid to see the paving bids and if there are enough funds to award both projects.

Bids had been received as follows for the paving of Teen Challenge Road between Marion Township line and Deck Road.

	Pennsy Supply	EJ Brennaman	Reading Site
1A	13,830.10	15,022.35	13,906.62
1B	24,260.50	27,087.55	25,543.70
1C	<u>70,676.25</u>	<u>75,789.00</u>	<u>80,204.01</u>
Subtotal:	108,766.85	117,898.90	124,157.50
2A	<u>4,526.25</u>	<u>5,202.00</u>	<u>4,449.24</u>
Total Bid:	113,293.10	123,100.90	124,157.50

According to the amounts Pennsy Supply is lowest bidder for the paving project. The combined total for both bids is \$189,259.90. At this time the amount available for road projects is \$205,674.84. After reviewing the bids John Kintzer made a motion to award the seal coating bid to Asphalt Maintenance Solutions and award the paving bid to Pennsy Supply with the condition upon the Solicitor reviewing the documents. Motion second by Rick Kramer, upon a roll call vote all three Board Members cast a yes vote.

Sensenig Poultry Barn – Mr. Sensenig has requested that the letter of credit be released for the Land Development Plan. John Kintzer made a motion to release the letter of credit. Rick Kramer second the motion, upon a roll call vote all three Board Members cast yes vote.

Last month the Board of Supervisors executed a Deed of Dedication for the Sensenig Land Development Plan, this needs to be accepted by a resolution and recorded at the court house. John Kintzer made a motion to accept **Resolution 2010-5**. Rick Kramer second the motion, upon a roll call vote all three Board Members cast a yes vote.

Hurst Poultry Expansion – The outstanding conditions for the Hurst Poultry Expansion have been met and the Board of Supervisors signed the plans at this meeting.

Planning Commission Recommendations to the Board

E & E Self Storage – Planning Commission recommended granting waiver of Section 310.K.1 and Section 311.F of the Stormwater Ordinance. Also recommended conditional approval subject to the following outstanding conditions of the Ludgate Eng. Letter dated June 28, 2010 and the LTL Consultants letter dated June 28, 2010:

- Signed documents from Teen Challenge to permit grading for the shoulder improvements that fall outside of the legal right of way.
- The developer will need to enter into a developer's agreement and will need to post the required financial security.
- The plan should list the type of trees, caliper, size, etc for the landscape planting.
- Add and clarify items listed on the cost estimate review and submit a revised copy for the Township Engineer to review.
- The Township Engineer must review the most recent dated plans to verify the plan is accurate.

- The lighting information needs to be provided to confirm conformance with the lighting shielding requirements of Section 748.08.a of the Zoning Ordinance.

The lighting information on sheet 11 needs to be completed as described in the LTL letter.

John Kintzer made a motion to grant waiver of Section 310.K.1 for grading. Rick Kramer second the motion, upon a roll call vote all three Board Members cast a yes vote.

John Kintzer made a motion to grant waiver of Section 311.F for pipe. Rick Kramer second the motion, upon a roll call vote all three Board Members cast a yes vote.

The Board did not conditionally approve the final plan at this meeting. They requested that the applicant meet the conditions set by the Planning Commission and have them verified by the Township Engineer then the Board will grant final approval.

Solicitor Legal Discussions

At this time the Township Solicitor had handed out samples of ordinances pertaining to Townhomes, to the Board as requested at last months meeting.

Chairman Ron Whitmoyer called an executive session for real estate purposes.

Upon returning from the executive session Ron announced that the Board wants to discuss what is going on. The Board has been discussing buying a property in Mt Aetna for a police office. The Board has been discussing this as an option and would like to make it public for opinion. The property is the former Swope Garage, it needs renovations and they are pursuing this cautiously. The Township is out of room in the existing building and is looking for the most cost effective solution. Chief Kerschner asked the Board if they have looked into the Stoudt property on route 419 that has been for sale for a long period of time. It has 12 garages and would need minimal renovations. The Board commented that they have not looked into this property.

STAFF REPORTS

Police Report – Chief Kerschner read the June 2010 Police report as follows:

Activity	Tulpehocken Twp.	Strausstown Borough	Marion Twp.
Miles Patrolled	2833	131	932
Gallons of Fuel	332	0	0
Hours of Work	500	20	60
Total Incidents	34	2	11
Complaints	5	0	6
Follow-up Investigations	7	0	0
Telephone Assignments	15	4	17
Comm/Residential to Alarms	2	1	6
EMS/Fire Advisory	5	1	6
Traffic Stops	82	7	17
Citations Issued	72	8	17
Non-traffic Citations	4	0	1
Traffic Warnings	11	1	2
Parking Tickets	1	0	0
Traffic Accidents	2	0	1

DUI Arrests	0	0	0
Misdemeanor/Felony	0	0	1
Security Checks	108	83	57
Police Assists	2	0	0
Motorists Assists	1	0	1
Court Appearances	2	0	0
School Hours	0	0	0

Chief Kerschner also commented that the Township did receive a check for \$2000.00 for the Buckle up Program.

Road Master's Report – Road Master, Lester Feick read the report for June 2010. The work consisted of sewer maintenance, 5 days of mowing, sewer inspection, sewer call out, bank and tree removal on Teen Challenge and Parkside Inn Road, installing flow meter at Teen Challenge pump station.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

At this time, Chairman Ron Whitmoyer announced that the Board held an executive session on July 1, 2010 for personnel matter.

Building Permit Fees/code Enforcement – The Board had met with another code enforcement company. Ron commented that he has not had time to review the proposal and would like to review the information until next months meeting. John has compared the proposal to Bureau Veritas fee schedule and feels that the change will benefit the residence of the township in time and cost, and would like to make a decision on this matter. Rick commented that he has done some research and will do more if time allows. The Board discussed the issues and agreed to table this for July's meeting and make a decision at the August meeting.

Alternate Zoning Hearing Board Member – Rick Kramer had talked to William Gettel about being the Alternate Zoning Hearing Board Member. Mr. Gettel has experience and interest in the position. Rick Kramer nominated William Gettel as Alternate Zoning Hearing Board Member.

Ron Whitmoyer also talked to John Shalters about being the Alternate Zoning Hearing Board Member. Mr. Shalters also has experience; both men have filled the position of Zoning Officer in the past for Tulpehocken Township.

Rick made a motion to appoint William Gettel as Alternate Zoning Hearing Board Member. John Kintzer second the motion, upon a roll call vote John and Rick cast yes votes, Ron cast no vote. Ron commented that he opposed because he had suggested John Shalters.

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution Opposing Legislation to Eliminate Townships – PSATS is urging townships to adopt a resolution that opposes House Bill 2431 which calls for a constitutional amendment to establish counties as the basic level of government in Pennsylvania, and Senate Bill 1357, which would create a boundary commission to review and recommend changes to local government

borders in the commonwealth. John Kintzer made a motion to adopt **Resolution 2010-6**. Rick Kramer second the motion, upon a roll call vote all three Board Members cast a yes vote.

Dutch Valley Proposed Expansion – Dutch Valley is proposing an expansion to the warehouse located in Marion Township. Dutch Valley is connected to Tulpehocken Township Sanitary Sewer and is requesting 6 additional EDU's. Dutch Valley must submit a sewer planning module to Marion Township, since that is where the project is located. Marion Township is then required to send the sewer planning module to Tulpehocken Township for the Supervisors to sign off on the capacity portion of the planning module. Tulpehocken Township will then have to have an agreement on how to handle the charges for addition capacity.

CORRESPONDENCE

None at this time

FINANCIAL REPORT AND APPROVAL FOR PAYMENT OF BILLS

Account Balances for the end of June 2010 were as follows:

General Account	240,190.59
FNB Fredericksburg Holding Account	452.71
General Plus Account	198,322.83
State Aid Account	251.53
State Plus Account	205,674.84
Street Light Account	12,941.53

Payments of Bills for this July 12, 2010 meeting are:

General Account combined with the payroll account- Checks #12125 to #12153 in the amount of \$22,395.38
 Street Light Account – Check #278 in the amount of \$1,143.96
 State Liquid Liquid Fuels Account – none
 Camp Calvary Land Dev. Escrow – Check #118 in the amount of \$60.00
 Total Expenses for this meeting – \$23,599.34

John Kintzer 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 – \$3,686.63
 Balance in the Sewer Holding Account - \$20,091.24
 Debt Service Account - \$437,124.35

Payments of Bills in the Sewer Operation Account for this July 12, 2010 meeting are:
 Check 776 to 786 in the amount of \$12,757.51

John Kintzer 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 8:49 p.m. John Kintzer made a motion to adjourn that was second by Rick Kramer. 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