

July13, 2011 Board of Supervisors Workshop and Other Business Meeting

Chairman John Kintzer called the special workshop meeting of the Township Board of Supervisors to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Tulpehocken Township Municipal Building. Those attending the meeting were Ron Whitmoyer, John Kintzer, Rick Kramer, Kathy Boltz, Chris Hartman, Pete Eisenbrown, Robin Royer, Gary Deck, Jake Derr, Bill Gettel and Lester Feick.

Opening of Road Project Bids

Sealed bids had been received as follows for the Host Road paving project:

Pennsy Supply Inc	\$84,342.90
Martin Limestone, Inc	\$88,925.50
Reading Site Contractors	\$96,516.41

According to the amounts of the bids Pennsy Supply Inc is the lowest bidder for the Host Road paving project. Ron Whitmoyer made a motion to conditional award the bid to Pennsy Supply Inc pending the review of the bonds by the Solicitor. Rick Kramer second the motion, upon a roll call vote all three Board Members cast a yes vote.

Tax Forgiveness Petition from Mt Aetna Bible Church

Mt Aetna Bible Church is petitioning for forgiveness of taxes for 2009 of a parcel of land that was acquired adjoining their five acre property. The two land parcels were merged into one deed and recorded with the Berks County Recorder of Deeds. They applied for and were granted tax forgiveness the year after application; however the 2009 portion was missed. Rick Kramer made a motion approving forgiveness of township taxes for this property and authorized the secretary to notify the church that the township taxes are forgiven and that the Church needs to ask the school and county for forgiveness. The Township does not have authority to forgive these. Ron Whitmoyer second the motion, upon a roll call vote all three Board Members cast a yes vote.

Workshop Discussion

The zoning ordinance review committee continued discussion with the definition section of the zoning ordinance starting with section 377 and also reviewed Bethel Townships zoning ordinance for apartment buildings and townhomes. It was discussed to take the zoning for townhouses and put them on a separate ordinance. The committee discussed making the following revisions to the Bethel Township zoning ordinance for apartment buildings and townhouses Section 520.04:

- c. the overall density of the development shall not exceed three dwelling units per net acre
- g. the maximum length of an apartment building shall be 100 feet
- h. the number of townhouses within a continuous grouping shall not exceed four
- l. no townhouses shall be located within forty feet of any street right-of-way line
- n. no more than 40% of the net area of the development shall be covered by buildings with public water and sewer, no more than 25% with on lot water and public sewer, no more than 25% for public water and on lot sewer, no more than 25% for on lot sewer and on lot water

o. No more than 10% of the total area of the development shall consist of paved or other non-vegetated surface in addition to building coverage

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

Rick Kramer made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:03 p.m. Ron Whitmoyer seconded the motion.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kathy Boltz

Secretary, Tulpehocken Township