

June 9, 2014 Board of Supervisors Meeting

PUBLIC HEARING ON RECEIPT OF AGRICULTURAL AREA APPLICATION

As required, a public hearing on the application received for Ag Security was called to order. Michael and Sheila Miller had submitted an application for their property located at 80Whitman Road, in the Effective Agricultural Preservation zoning district, consisting of 10.39 acres. The property meets all the requirements of Ag Security Act. Berks County Planning Commission, Tulpehocken Township Planning Commission, and the Ag Security Committee gave approval of the application. With no further comments from the Board or Public, Lester Feick made a motion to approve the application and sign the certificate entering the Miller's property into the Ag Security Area. Rick Kramer second the motion, upon a roll call vote all three Board Members cast a yes vote.

Chairman Gary Deck 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 Gary Deck, Rick Kramer, Lester Feick, Kathy Boltz, Liz Magovern, Mayfield, Kris Kerschner, and other interested persons.

The meeting continued with the pledge to the American Flag.

Chairman Gary Deck announced that on June 4, 2014 an executive session was held for the Board to interview applicants for the Secretary Treasurer Position. The Board also thanked Kathy Boltz for serving the Township for the past 8 years.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Lloyd Schneck had commented that at the intersection of Airport Road and Rehrersburg Road that it is hard to see. It was discussed that the trees are on the Church property. Lloyd had also commented that the Teen Challenge property where the mobiles homes used to be needs to be mowed as well as 586 Godfrey Street. The Board agreed to have the Zoning Officer send out a notice to the property owners.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Rick Kramer made a motion to approve the minutes from the May 12, 2014 Board of Supervisors meeting. Lester Feick second the motion, upon a roll call vote Lester and Rick vote yes, Gary abstained he did not attend the May meeting.

ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIONS

Planning Commission Recommendations to the Board

Camp Calvary Final Plan – Planning Commission recommended accepting the 95 day time extension offer. Rick Kramer made a motion to accept the time extension. Lester Feick second the motion, upon a roll call vote all Board Members cast a yes vote.

Larry Dean Martin Poultry Operation – Planning Commission recommended the Board of Supervisors grant a waiver of Section 307.B.1.a and grant conditional approval, conditions of Ludgate’s review letter dated June 4, 2014 and the approval of the Maintenance and Improvements Agreement and the Stormwater Agreement and Financial Security. Lester Feick made a motion to grant a waiver of Section 307.B.1.a. Rick Kramer second the motion, upon a roll call vote all three Board Members cast a yes vote. Gary Deck made a motion to grant conditional approval based upon Ludgate’s review letter dated June 4, 2014 and the approval of the Maintenance and Improvements Agreement, Stormwater Agreement, and the Financial Security. Rick Kramer second the motion, upon a roll call vote all three Board Members cast a yes vote.

Solicitor Legal Discussions

None

STAFF REPORTS

Police Report – Chief Kerschner read the May 2014 Police report as follows:

Activity	Tulpehocken Twp.	Marion Twp.
Miles Patrolled	3195	912
Gallons of Fuel	310.5	0
Hours of Work	456	60
Total Incidents	6	6
Complaints	11	6
Follow-up Investigations	0	0
Telephone Assignments	21	20
Comm/Residential to Alarms	1	3
EMS/Fire Advisory	14	4
Traffic Stops	53	4
Citations Issued	51	4
Non-traffic Citations	0	0
Traffic Warnings	4	1
Warrants	1	0
Parking Tickets	0	4
Traffic Accidents	5	0
DUI Arrests	0	0
Misdemeanor/Felony	1	0
Security Checks	63	14
Police Assists	6	0
Motorists Assists	1	2
Court Appearances	0	3
School Hours	24	0

Chief Kerschner commented that the new police cruiser will be ready for pick up this month. Chief Kerschner has obtained quotes for striping the new cruiser and the Tahoe. Brown’s Sign was the lowest quote. Rick Kramer made a motion to authorize the striping of the cruiser to be done by Brown’s Sign and to equip the cruiser with the radios and the calibrations. Lester Feick second the motion, upon a roll call vote all three Board Members cast a yes vote. It was discussed that the Tahoe is currently not striped; Chief Kerschner commented that the Police Officers should not pursuit if in an unmarked car. After some discussion striping of the Tahoe was tabled.

The Police Department received the free camera for attending the District Attorney's photography class, \$1500.00 was received from the Buckle up Safety Grant and each officer had overtime for this detail and approximately 40 citations were written. Chief Kerschner attended a class for aggressive driving to be eligible for another grant. Officer Dronick and Lester Feick will be attending a class to learn the operations of the County Radios, the class is 9 hours. There is a crack in front bumper of the Tahoe, the Board directed the Chief to get estimates to have it fixed.

Road Master's Report – Lester Feick read the May 2014 report. The work consisted of sewer maintenance, various problems, trees down from storm, mowing grass and lawns, recall on Mack Truck, Market Street pipe and culvert, and attend a seminar in Tioga County for dirt roads/low volume traffic for macadam roads.

While mowing grass Lester received a complaint and was asked about the stakes on Mr. Shirks property that is within the right of way along Teen Challenge Road. Lester commented that there was a motor vehicle accident on Teen Challenge Road and it was difficult for emergency vehicles to make the turns along this road with the stakes on Mr. Shirks property. It was discussed that this is a problem. Gary agreed to talk to Mr. Shirk about removing the stakes permanently.

The company used to sweep the streets is down a truck and has not been able to come and sweep. Lester had gotten a price from another company that would cost approximately \$864.00 a day (8 hours). Rick Kramer made a motion to authorize Lester to have the streets swept. Gary Deck second the motion, upon a roll call vote all three Board Members cast a yes vote.

Fire Chiefs Report – Lester Feick read the monthly reports for Keystone Fire Company and Rescue Fire Company.

SEWER OPERATIONS

The portable sampler for the Rehrersburg Waste Water Treatment Plant went bad. To repair the sampler it will cost approximately \$1320.00 as a starting point with a 30 day grantee, a new sampler will cost \$2,445.00. Rick Kramer made a motion to authorize the purchase of the new sampler with W.G. Malden that offers a one year guarantee. Lester Feick second the motion, upon a roll call vote all three Board Members cast a yes vote.

Judgments/Delinquent Accounts

118 Godfrey Street, George and Tammy Field have submitted a written judgment payment plan request in addition to the previous approved current delinquent payment plan. The proposed payment plan will be \$100.00/month on the current delinquent, \$200.00/month on the judgments, plus the current quarterly billing of \$360.00. Rick Kramer made a motion to accept the payment plan from the Field's. Lester Feick second the motion, upon a roll call vote all three Board Members cast a yes vote.

Garage at 574 Godfrey Street – it has been determined that the garage is connected to the public sewer and a separate tapping fee was never paid for the garage. The Solicitor recommended tabling the decision if a separate tapping fee is to be paid until the zoning officer determines if the garage is an allowed use.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Battery and Tire Recycling – Rick Kramer commented that it could be costly to perform this service and still checking into it.

Gary Deck commented that we should check into the cost of purchasing a second container to handle the recycling overflow we are receiving from the county's service that is offered here at the municipal building. The second container would prevent the recycling being dropped off outside the container which appears to be causing some problems.

Teen Challenge Road Project Easement – Lester Feick made a motion to authorize the Township Engineer to draft a site plan for the project. Rick Kramer second the motion, upon a roll call vote all three Board Members cast a yes vote.

Rick Kramer made a motion to approve the Temporary Easement for the Teen Challenge Road Project and authorized the Chairman to sign the easement. Lester Feick second the motion, upon a roll call vote all three Board Members cast a yes vote.

NEW BUSINESS

Larry Hartranft Poultry Operation – Rick Kramer made a motion to release the letter of credit for the Hartranft Poultry Operation in the amount \$58,991.00, with the condition of the Township Engineers inspection approval. Lester Feick second the motion, upon a roll call vote all three Board Members cast a yes vote.

Marion Township Police Coverage Agreement – Marion Township drafted a three year contract between Marion Board of Supervisors and Tulpehocken Township Supervisors to furnish and supply police protection to Marion Township and has been reviewed by the Tulpehocken Township Solicitor. Rick Kramer made a motion to authorize the agreement. Lester Feick second the motion, upon a roll call vote all three Board Members cast a yes vote.

Village Drive Estates – The Developer Leonard Martin would like to have the Sewage Planning Module submitted to DEP. For the Planning Module submission the Operations and Maintenance Agreement and the financial security for the pump station needs to be approved by the Board. The Engineer is waiting for the developer to submit a cost estimate for the agreement.

Records Retention Resolution – Rick Kramer made a motion to adopt Resolution 2014-8 declaring its intent to follow the schedules and procedures for disposition of records as set forth in the municipal records manual. Lester Feick second the motion, upon a roll call vote all three Board Members cast a yes vote.

CORRESPONDENCE

Fire Police Coverage Request – Rick Kramer made a motion to authorize the participation of fire police for the Annual Fireworks display in Robesonia on Saturday, June 28, 2014 at 10:00 PM. Lester Feick second the motion, upon a roll call vote all three Board Members cast a yes vote.

FINANCIAL REPORT AND APPROVAL FOR PAYMENT OF BILLS

Account Balances for the end of May 2014 were as follows:

General Account	\$86,892.37
FNB Fredericksburg Holding Account	\$7,248.18
General Plus Account	\$198,733.77
State Aid Account	\$181.34
State Plus Account	\$136,139.99
Street Light Account	\$16,004.70

Rick Kramer made a motion to approve the payments of the bills for this June 9, 2014 meeting. Lester Feick second the motion, upon a roll call vote all Board Members cast a yes vote.

Payments of Bills for this June 9, 2014 meeting are:

General Account combined with the payroll account- Checks #15192 to #15224 in the amount of \$36,753.88
 Street Light Account – Check #327 in the amount of \$898.15
 State Liquid Fuels Account –
 Camp Calvary Land Dev. Escrow –
 Camp Calvary Inspection Escrow –
 Village Estates Improvements Inspection Escrow –
 Stormwater Inspection Escrow –
 Total Expenses for this meeting – \$37,652.03

At this time Chief Kerschner commented that the quote from PROAC to perform a site evaluation and sampling of air in the municipal building is \$1,157.00. Lester Feick made a motion to authorize the air quality test with PROAC. Gary Deck second the motion, upon a roll call vote all three Board Members cast yes vote.

Sewer Accounts balances for the end of May 12, 2014 are as follows:

Sewer Operation Account – \$2,270.05
 Balance in the Sewer Holding Account - \$35,897.71
 Debt Service Account - \$402,998.64

Payments of Bills in the Sewer Operation Account for this June 9, 2014 meeting are:
 Check #1429 to #1441 in the amount of \$86,254.16.

Lester Feick made a motion to approve payment of the sewer bills motion second by Rick Kramer. Upon a roll-call vote, all Board Members cast a yes vote on the motion.

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

At 8:50 p.m. Rick Kramer made a motion to adjourn the meeting, which was second by Lester Feick. Upon a roll call vote all Board Members cast a yes vote on the motion, meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kathy Boltz

Secretary, Tulpehocken Township