

May 10, 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

No public comments at this time. Chairman Whitmoyer announced that the Board held an executive session on May 7, 2010 for Real Estate purpose.

Approval of Minutes

John Kintzer made a motion to approve the minutes from the April 12, 2010 meeting. Rick Kramer second the motion, upon a roll call vote all three Board Members cast a yes vote.

ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIONS

Planning Commission Recommendations to the Board

Levi Zimmerman – Planning Commission recommended approval of plan. John Kintzer made a motion to approve the final plan. Rick Kramer second the motion, upon a roll call vote all three Board Members cast a yes vote.

Hurst Poultry Expansion – Planning Commission recommended conditional approval of plan, conditions being:

- E & S approval
- Stormwater section 701, 702, 703, 704 to be addressed
- Improvements agreement, corresponding cost estimate for the project and outstanding fees need to be paid.

John Kintzer made a motion to conditional approve the plan, conditions being set by Planning Commission and additional condition that the property owner signs the plan. Rick Kramer second the motion, upon a call vote all three Board Members cast a yes vote. The Board did not sign the plans due to unmet conditions set by the Planning Commission and the condition that the property owner signs the plan.

Bashore – Kauffman Annexation – Planning Commission recommended approval of plan. John Kintzer made a motion to approve the plan. Motion second by Rick Kramer, upon a roll call vote, all three Board Members cast a yes vote.

Gettel Acres Revised Phase I – Planning Commission recommended the Board of Supervisors contact Township Engineer before the Board of Supervisors meeting scheduled May 10, 2010 to resolve the issues with the Gettel Acres. The Board had discussed the sketches A & B submitted by Larson Design Group. The Board endorsed the continued planning of Sketch B. John Kintzer made a motion to endorse the Sketch B continued planning of the Subdivision Land Development Plan known as Gettel Acres. Rick Kramer second the motion, upon a roll call vote, all three

Board Members cast a yes vote. Township Secretary will send a letter to Larson Design with the recommendation.

Mt Meadows and Mt Aetna Village Site – Planning Commission discussed the overgrown vegetation in these sites. Planning Commission recommended the Board of Supervisors authorize the Zoning Officer to inspect these properties. In the past the Board of Supervisors made a phone call to the property owners to ask them to take care of the overgrown vegetation. Chairman Ron Whitmoyer commented that he is willing to call the property owners and ask them to mow the grass. All three Board Members are in agreement.

Zoning Hearing Requirements – Planning Commission recommended to the Board of Supervisors that the Zoning Hearing Board put a time limit for which requirements must be met or time completion of same to an occupancy permit. The Board discussed the recommendation from the Planning Commission and agreed that the Zoning Hearing Board is its own Board and decided to send a letter to the Zoning Hearing Board Members letting them know that it has come to their attention that enforcement of Zoning Hearing Board decisions can become problematic when timeframes for compliance are not clearly established. They also understand that each decision is unique, but respectfully requests that no matter what the decision, that the terms for compliance with any conditions attached to the decision be clearly stated and given a specific deadline.

Solicitor Legal Discussions

Omnibus Traffic and Road Ordinance –John Kintzer made a motion to enact an Omnibus Traffic and Roads Ordinance 2010-1. Motion second by Rick Kramer, upon a roll call vote all three Board Members cast a yes vote.

Police Mutual Aid Agreement – John Kintzer made a motion to enact the Police Jurisdiction and Mutual Aid Agreement Ordinance 2010-2. Rick Kramer second the motion, upon a roll call vote all three Board Members cast a yes vote. Bethel Township will be passing their Ordinance and the Agreement later this month.

STAFF REPORTS

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

Activity	Tulpehocken Twp.	Strausstown Borough	Marion Twp.
Miles Patrolled	2841	136	1055
Gallons of Fuel	343	0	0
Hours of Work	458	20	60
Total Incidents	7	0	7
Complaints	7	0	3
Follow-up Investigations	0	0	2
Telephone Assignments	9	1	8
Comm/Residential to Alarms	0	0	3
EMS/Fire Advisory	12	2	8
Traffic Stops	69	8	21
Citations Issued	64	8	20
Non-traffic Citations	0	0	0
Traffic Warnings	9	0	1
Parking Tickets	0	0	0
Traffic Accidents	3	0	1

DUI Arrests	0	0	0
Misdemeanor/Felony	0	0	0
Security Checks	153	109	81
Police Assists	6	0	0
Motorists Assists	0	0	0
Court Appearances	2	1	1
School Hours	48	0	0

At this time, Chairman Whitmoyer commented that some of the employees participating in the pension plan with Valic would like to roll there plan over into another fund. Mr. Whitmoyer had a draft copy of a letter with the request, to be submitted to Valic. Township Solicitor will look into the plans requirements to make sure the Township is in compliance before a decision is made to send the letter.

Road Master's Report – Road Master, Lester Feick read the report for April 2010. The work consisted of four days of fixing potholes, one day hauling millings from Marion Township, helped Marion Township with a road project, cleaned the square in Mt Aetna and Rehdersburg, and clearing banks on Midway Road.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Tapping Fee – John Kintzer made a motion to adopt Resolution 2010-4 increasing the sewer tapping fee to \$2823.32. Rick Kramer second the motion upon a roll call vote all three Board Members cast a yes vote.

Community Development Block Grant Program – Guidelines had been received and there was nothing to help the Township. The Board feels the Township won't qualify because we haven't in the past. The median income level is too high for the Townships population.

Workshop for Sewer Planning Within the Township – The Board decided to hold the workshop on Tuesday May 18, 2010 at 2:00 p.m. here in the Township building.

NEW BUSINESS

Street Light Energy Increase – The street lighting account had a surplus, but the electric has gone up. Come budget workshop time the Board will have to look to see if the street light tax needs to be increased.

Disabled Veterans Real Estate Tax Exemption – The Township received a copy of a letter date March 23, 2010 from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Department of Military and Veterans Affairs. The applicant listed in the letter has been verified with the Department of Veterans Affairs that the applicant is totally and permanently disabled as a result of service connected causes incurred during a period of war or armed conflict. Therefore, it is recommended that the applicant be exempt of all real estate taxes on the listed property. No action needed to be taken by the Board at this time. If the tax collector needs exoneration then the Board would take action on exoneration.

CORRESPONDENCE

Mt Aetna Bicentennial – Mt Aetna Bicentennial Committee had applied for a fireworks display permit. It was discussed and all three Board Members agreed to waive the \$50.00 permit fee for the fireworks display.

FINANCIAL REPORT AND APPROVAL FOR PAYMENT OF BILLS

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

General Account	129,453.02
FNB Fredericksburg Holding Account	671.55
General Plus Account	198,243.78
State Aid Account	297.45
State Plus Account	226,588.52
Street Light Account	9,687.60

Payments of Bills for this May 10, 2010 meeting are:

General Account combined with the payroll account- Checks #11979 to #12012 in the amount of \$30,289.06
 Street Light Account – Check #276 in the amount of \$1,142.94
 State Liquid Liquid Fuels Account – Check #156 in the amount of \$21,046.00
 Camp Calvary Land Dev. Escrow – Check #115 in the amount of \$835.00
 Total Expenses for this meeting – \$53,313.00

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 – \$27,551.75
 Balance in the Sewer Holding Account - \$500.00
 Debt Service Account - \$467,174.63

Payments of Bills in the Sewer Operation Account for this May 10, 2010 meeting are:
 Check 723 to 738 in the amount of \$20,536.01

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 7:50 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