

## **May 9, 2011 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, Ron Whitmoyer, Kathy Boltz, Kris Kerschner, Lester Feick, Bethany Emkey, Gary Deck and other interested persons.

The meeting continued with the pledge to the American Flag.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Burt Nye, Project Manager for Martin Poultry Operation requested permission for the bulk earthwork to commence with approval of the NPDES/E&S permit, prior to the Final Land Development Approval. The Planning Commission and Township Engineer have not received this request for comment. The Board of Supervisors discussed the plan and the progress it is making. Ron Whitmoyer made a motion to grant conditional approval for the bulk earthwork prior to Final Plan Approval, conditions being necessary legal agreements and escrows are established. Rick Kramer second the motion, upon a roll call vote all three Board Members cast a yes vote.

Jacob Derr commented that the Fire Companies are going to have to buy expensive equipment for the County radio system. Mr. Derr asked the Board if the Township would be willing to pay for them. The new radio system was discussed and that all radios have to be narrow banded by the first of 2013. Chairman John Kintzer asked Jake Derr and Lester Feick to come up with the amount needed so the Board can discuss further and would like to have the amounts submitted by August of 2011 for budgeting purposes.

Robert Bowers introduced himself to the Board and the Public attending the meeting. He is campaigning for the upcoming primary election for District Judge. He commented on his years of law enforcement experience, training and commitment. He then thanked the Board for their time.

Shirley Derr commented that at the Lions Club building cars are being parked on the grass rather than in the parking areas designated. She asked the Board if a "no parking on grass violators will be prosecuted" sign could be installed and enforced. It was discussed that this is private property, the Township does not enforce. The Lions Club could install a sign and post it.

Gerald Troutman asked the Board about the six month vacancy rule for the sewer user charges. Mr. Troutman commented that Dennis Fry is paying his bill and the house owned by Frey has been empty longer than six months. It was discussed that Mr. Fry had submitted a request in the past, the Board did not take action the letter of request was not clear on what he was asking for, the Board then notified Mr. Fry to submit a more detailed letter of request. Mr. Troutman will tell Mr. Frey to contact the Township office.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Ron Whitmoyer made a motion to approve the minutes from the April 11, 2011 Board of Supervisors 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

No recommendations from the Planning Commission

### Solicitor Legal Discussions

None at this time for public

Chairman John Kintzer called an executive session for litigation regarding E & E Self Storage and for personnel.

Upon returning from the executive session John Kintzer announced that no action was taken in the executive session therefore there are no announcements.

## STAFF REPORTS

**Police Report** – Chief Kerschner read the April 2011 Police report as follows:

Activity	Tulpehocken Twp.	Strausstown Borough	Marion Twp.
Miles Patrolled	2413	118	1023
Gallons of Fuel	224	0	0
Hours of Work	411	20	690
Total Incidents	7	1	4
Complaints	9	0	8
Follow-up Investigations	3	0	1
Telephone Assignments	18	2	12
Comm/Residential to Alarms	1	0	1
EMS/Fire Advisory	6	2	3
Traffic Stops	30	6	11
Citations Issued	27	5	12
Non-traffic Citations	2	1	0
Traffic Warnings	8	0	0
Parking Tickets	0	0	0
Traffic Accidents	3	0	0
DUI Arrests	0	0	0
Misdemeanor/Felony	0	0	0
Security Checks	159	89	78
Police Assists	1	0	0
Motorists Assists	1	0	2
Court Appearances	7	0	0
School Hours	48	0	0

**Road Master's Report** – Road Master, Lester Feick read the report for April 2011. The work consisted of sewer maintenance, convention for 3 days, replace pipe on Temple Road, trim trees on Bordner Road, mowing grass at sewer plants, rebuilt broom, swept squares in Mt Aetna and Rehersburg and other areas, painted lines on road resurfaced last year and remove snow equipment.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**A proposal for Propane Heating and Electrical Fixtures** – an energy audit was performed on the municipal building to determine how money could be saved for energy costs. The findings provided an option to switch the electric heating unit to propane and to upgrade the lighting. The proposals to switch the heating are higher than anticipated. There are rebates available to upgrade the lighting. The Board agreed to move forward with upgrading the lighting and to submit the paper work for the rebates and to get more proposals/quotes for the propane heating.

**NEW BUSINESS**

None

**CORRESPONDENCE**

None

**FINANCIAL REPORT AND APPROVAL FOR PAYMENT OF BILLS**

Account Balances for the end of April 2011 were as follows:

General Account	113,367.57
FNB Fredericksburg Holding Account	27,801.15
General Plus Account	198,496.39
State Aid Account	300.44
State Plus Account	147,761.43
Street Light Account	5,796.09

Payments of Bills for this May 9, 2011 meeting are:

General Account combined with the payroll account- Checks #12789 to #12832 in the amount of \$37,334.82  
 Street Light Account – Check #289 in the amount of \$1,346.40  
 State Liquid Liquid Fuels Account –  
 Camp Calvary Land Dev. Escrow – Check #130 to #131 in the amount of \$1,186.00  
 Camp Calvary Inspection Escrow – Check #101 in the amount of \$705.95  
 Total Expenses for this meeting – \$40,573.17

Ron Whitmoyer 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 – \$45,884.74  
 Balance in the Sewer Holding Account - \$513.23  
 Debt Service Account - \$437,504.11

Payments of Bills in the Sewer Operation Account for this May 9, 2011 meeting are:  
 Check #924 to #938 in the amount of \$7,645.61

Rick Kramer made a motion to approve payment of the sewer bills motion second by Ron Whitmoyer. Upon a roll-call vote, all three Board members cast a yes vote on the motion.

**ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING**

At 8:10 p.m. Rick Kramer made a motion to adjourn that was second by Ron Whitmoyer. 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