

PENN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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Regular Meeting

May 8, 2008

Chairman Amos Seiders called meeting to order and led everyone present in the Pledge Allegiance to the Flag.

Present: Chairman Amos Seiders, Vice-Chairman Ken Sheaffer, Supervisor Gary Martin, Solicitor Marcus McKnight, Secretary/Treasurer Pat Sangialosi

PUBLIC COMMENT – none

APPROVAL MINUTES AND TREASURER'S REPORT

Vice-Chairman Sheaffer made a motion to approve the minutes from the April 20, 2008 meeting. Supervisor Martin seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Supervisor Martin made a motion to approve the treasurer's report as of April 30, 2008. Vice-Chairman Sheaffer seconded the motion. Motion approved.

SUBDIVISION PLANS

Bond issue with Lauth Industries (Key Logistics Park) – Marcus reported he has read over the bond proposed by Lauth, but he also informed the supervisors that Key has gone “condo”. In other words they are selling the buildings off and he believes a small piece of property to go with the buildings. If they are just selling the buildings, they don't need a subdivision or land development plan, but if they are selling land with the building, they will need to start over with a subdivision plan or land development plan. He also reported they have not signed the new agreement allotting land to Penn for a water tower, a pump station and .04 cents a square foot for another year. Vice-Chairman Sheaffer wanted to know if the township could withhold issuing a building permit until all this has been cleared up and Marcus reported the township has the right to withhold the permits.

OLD BUSINESS

1. No Parking on Township Road Ordinance – Marcus passed out copies of a draft Ordinance for review by the supervisors. He stated he included all the suggestion made by the supervisors ad the last meeting, such as: excluding commercial vehicles who are delivering goods or rendering service road construction vehicles and emergency vehicles. Vice-Chairman Sheaffer made a motion to have Marcus advertise the ordinance. Supervisor Martin seconded the motion. Motion approved.

2. Cell tower agreement – Marcus stated he called Phil Dudek and he is waiting for this attorney to draw up an agreement

3. Ratify road material bid – Pat reported that the road materials were bid through the COG and Jeff has looked over the results and has made his choice. Vice-Chairman

Sheaffer made a motion to accept the bids proposed by the road master. Supervisor Martin seconded the motion. Motion approved.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Transportation Impact Fees – Supervisor Martin reported he has read this document and this fee can be imposed on new developers for maintaining and improving our roads. He stated that the cost to implement this ordinance is quite expensive and at this time it is not feasible for Penn Township to implement.
2. Bid opening for DJ office – Three bids were received and opened, but the awarding will take place later, which will be duly advertised, in order to give the supervisors and engineer a chance to look over the bids. The results are: Poole Anderson \$426,593.00; Galbraith Design \$375,792.00; McCorkle \$347,792.00.

CONDITIONAL USE HEARING – Veronica Lock Home Occupation in an Ag zone.

SOLICITOR REPORT

Marcus reported that Fettrow has paid his fines after we entered judgment and the sheriff took inventory of his personal property. Pat reported that he has cleaned up the property but he still has too many cars. Marcus suggested taking inventory of what is still there and a letter will be sent informing him of what he needs to get rid of.

Marcus stated he has now received a new deed for the Verdekal property.

L Marcus then passed out copies of a shortened version of the new Open Records Law.

He also reported there will be a meeting with DEP on Tuesday, May 13 at 10:30 am and at least one of the supervisors should be there along with Cindy White from FPE

He then reported he has reviewed the turn back agreement from Penn DOT and the secretary reported we should be receiving a check soon.

Next was a new agreement with the County regarding clean water at the new DJ office. The agreement states that if the water proves to be bad the township will supply bottled water and have the water tested two times a year. Of course, when public water comes, this agreement will become null and void. Vice-Chairman Sheaffer made a motion to sign the agreement. Supervisor Martin seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Next was the discussion on the 30 EDUs that the township has to pay for. Fifteen of them will be paid for by the end of the year and the other 15 by June 30, 2009. Marcus reported that if someone is interested the township could sell some of these EDUs and when the expansion is completed at the Newville plant, we can always buy more. Vice-Chairman Sheaffer made a motion that we not restrict selling the EDUs to only Penn residents, but extend to West Pennsboro and Newville. Supervisor Martin seconded the motion. Motion approved. George Rohrs reported we need those EDUs for Centerville and Ken stated that once the expansion is complete we will be able to purchase more.

OTHER REPORTS

Pat gave copies of picture of the Ernie Souder property and asked him to write a letter giving him 30 days to clean up the property. Vice-Chairman Sheaffer made a motion to send the letter. Supervisor Martin seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Pat then reported the loader needed new tires and they would cost approximately \$1600.00 each. Vice-Chairman Sheaffer made a motion to purchase the tires. Supervisor Martin seconded the motion. Motion approved.

WCCOG – Pat reported the following was discussed at the April meeting:

- Another training session for UCC procedures will be in September,
- Still keeping an eye on various house and senate bills,
- MDIA will be retained for another two years as building inspectors with a slight increase in pricing due to fuel costs,
- Regional Police Force – a representative from DCED came to talk to the COG on the procedures for setting up a Regional Police Force. Each municipality must adopt a resolution to participate in a feasibility study which DCED will do free of charge. Supervisor Martin made a motion to draft a resolution to participate in a feasibility study. Vice-Chairman Sheaffer seconded the motion. Motion approved.
- Turnpike project – the commission has agreed to keep one road open.

PARK AND REC MEETING – Vickie reported:

- John Wardle and Ron are still working on a lease for additional property for a small park at the fire house.
- She reported the Park and Rec members have been getting complaints about skateboarding on the picnic tables and the tables are being moved from under the pavilion. We need to put up signs and get an ordinance about skateboarding.. The supervisors suggested putting up no skateboarding signs and chaining down the picnic tables.
- The west end parking lot is done and the walking trail has been put on hold until at least June.
- We are looking to replace the backstop on the southeast corner.
- Walters has given us a bid of \$20.00 per cleaning to clean the porta potties at the school and the fire house.
- We are looking at planting trees in the fall around the benches at the fire house. Landscape by Lambert will sell us trees cheap.
- Big Spring Youth Soccer would like to have a 5 year lease on the fields. The Park and Rec members discussed and they are willing to give them a five year lease on the bottom field and a one year lease on the top field. Vickie would like to table this until the soccer representatives can be here to discuss. Marcus would like to see the lease before signing.

APPROVAL OF BILLS LISTING

Vice-chairman Sheaffer made a motion to approve the bills listing. Supervisor Martin seconded the motion. Motion approved.

SUPERVISOR COMMENTS

- Supervisor Martin wanted to know if the bid forms submitted were sufficient to award a bid. The solicitor reported he saw nothing wrong with them
- Vice-Chairman Sheaffer pointed out that Curtis Moomaw has been working on the Eagle Scout Park picnic area behind the township building.
- Chairman Seiders reported there will be a meeting Friday at 12:30 with the PUC at the railroad crossing on Farm Road.

- **ADJOURNMENT**

Vice-Chairman Sheaffer made a motion to adjourn. Supervisor Martin seconded the motion. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.

Next meeting June 12, 2008

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Sangialosi
Secretary./Treasurer