

PENN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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Regular Meeting

October 9, 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 III, and Secretary/Treasurer Patricia Sangialosi

PUBLIC COMMENT

Ken Stern, 984 Mt. Rock Road, asked if Watch Children and Horse and Buggy signs could be put up near where he lives. He reported that Irvin Martin is moving into the old Thumma farm and he has six children and drives a horse and buggy. Also he would like to see the speed limit reduced to 35 miles per hour. Marcus pointed out that the township has to request Penn DOT do a traffic study in order to reduce the speed and they also have to approve putting up the signage. Vice-Chairman Sheaffer made a motion to have a letter written to Penn DOT for the traffic study and that the signs be put up if approved. Supervisor Martin seconded the motion. Motion approved.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND TREASURER'S REPORT

Vice-Chairman Sheaffer made a motion to approve the minutes from the September 11, 2008 meeting. Supervisor Martin seconded the motion. Motion approved.

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

OLD BUSINESS

1. Cell tower agreement – Phil Dudek was present to answer any more questions the supervisors might have. Steve Fosburg asked if any residents had any problems with the cell tower being erected on Township property. Vice-Chairman Sheaffer felt that we should get public input. He made a motion to put a notice in the newsletter of the upcoming public meeting to discuss the cell tower to be held at the Nov. 13 meeting. Supervisor Martin seconded the motion. Two supervisors approved. Chairman Seiders disapproved.

2. Self propelled broom – Supervisor Martin stated that the old broom needs replaced and he got a quote from Groff for approximately \$24,000.00. Supervisor Martin made a motion to purchase this broom. Vice-Chairman Sheaffer seconded the motion. Motion approved.

3. 2009 Gypsy Moth Spraying – Pat reported the cost to Penn Township would be \$16212.00. Vice-Chairman Sheaffer made a motion that we send letters to residents asking for help in paying this bill. Supervisor Martin seconded the motion. Motion approved

4. Citizen Award – Gary explained this award as being given to an individual who has volunteered his services for the township and is not getting paid for his or her time. Gary made a motion to get this in the January newsletter and receive nominations by March 1<sup>st</sup> and print the results in the April newsletter. Vice-Chairman Sheaffer seconded the motion. Motion approved.

### NE3 BUSINESS

1. Water cooler in DJ office – Pat reported she got pricing from four companies. After looking over the price sheets Vice-chairman Sheaffer made a motion to approve Crystal Springs. Supervisor Martin seconded the motion. Motion approved.
2. Trick or Treat Night – Pat reported trick or treat night would be Oct. 30 from 6 to 8 pm. Ken Stern wanted to know why the township changed the holiday when Halloween is on Friday. Pat reported that in the past we have made trick of treat night the same as Newville. Vice-chairman Sheaffer stated that this is probably because of the football games on Friday night. Vice-chairman Sheaffer made a motion to have trick or treat night on Oct. 30. Supervisor Martin seconded the motion. Motion approved.
3. Appoint Open Records officer – Marcus pointed out that the new open records policy goes into effect Jan. 1 and most municipalities are appointing an Open Records officer. Supervisor Martin made a motion to appoint Pat. Vice-Chairman Sheaffer seconded the motion. Motion approved.

### PROJECT UPDATES

DJ OFFICE – Gary reported the work is on schedule and the bank loan has been approved. He also pointed out that he supervisors need to approve some additional work, that of installing a 400 amp electrical service vs a 200 amp service. Supervisor Martin made a motion to approve the additional work. Vice-Chairman Sheaffer seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Walking trail at old school site – Vice-Chairman Sheaffer reported that Gleim will be leveling the fields for \$32,617.00. He also pointed out that the township will need to pay the bill and then Lauth will reimburse the township. Vice-chairman Sheaffer made a motion to authorize Gleim to do the work. Supervisor Martin seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Key Logistics Park – It was reported the walls are up and that it is a big building.

Bridges – Pat reported that the Lebo road bridge is at a stand still because of a bog turtle issue and they can't do a phase II study until the spring. The Leeds Road Bridge can proceed because there is no bog turtle issue at that bridge. Pat also pointed out that another wetlands delineation study must be performed and Skelly and Loy has submitted a proposal for \$1200.00 and Eric Diffenbaugh has submitted one for \$925.00. After discussion and ascertaining that DEP liked Skelly and Loy first proposal, Vice-chairman Sheaffer made a motion to have Skelly and Loy do another wetlands delineation. Supervisor Martin seconded the motion. Motion approved.

ACT537 – HRG is waiting to hear from the Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission, again about a possible bog turtle issue in Centerville, then the plan can be finalized and we can have our public comment period.

## SOLICITOR REPORT

Marcus pointed out that Lauth is still in a dispute with Newville Sewer and Water over payment for 3 water hook-ups. There is a meeting to be held Oct. 20. He also pointed out that the amended developer's agreement has not been signed and they are waiting to get this issue taken care of.

He also stated that he contacted John Shambaugh and he gave him the name of an engineering firm that can do the borings at the school. He contacted DEP and they would like background information on this firm and an outline of what they plan to do. Vice-Chairman Sheaffer made a motion to approve the cost of \$1800.00 to have the test done. Supervisor Martin seconded the motion.

Marcus reported the Fettrow hearing is now scheduled for Nov. 3. The constable can't find Fettrow home in order to serve the papers.

Marcus sent Mr. Souder a letter to get his property cleaned up or he will be taken to court and pay court costs, a fine and legal fees. Fred reported hr spoke to Mr. Souder and gave him until the end of the month to get cleaned up.

Freet – The secretary reported that they are dismantling 3 of the four buildings. She also reported that the Game commission only keeps their records for 3 years and they got their permit seven years ago. It was decided to monitor the situation.

Mr. Fisher – Pat reported he came in and got an application for a zoning hearing, but as of yet he has not contacted Fred. Supervisor Martin made a motion to have Marcus send a follow-up letter. Vice-Chairman Sheaffer seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Marcus passed out copies of the Lease agreement between Zimmerman and Verizon. He also passed out copies of the removal agreement.

Marcus stated he sent a letter to Randy Good because of a complaint received about the use of Jake brakes at 3 an 4 o'clock in the morning.

He stated he received a letter from FEMA concerning storm water ordinances. Vice-Chairman Sheaffer stated that the planning commission and John should take a look at this before Marcus does anything.

Fred Leeds wanted to know about the Yellow Breeches Storm water Ordinance. Marcus reported he is still working on it.

## OTHER REPORTS

WCCOG – Pat reported the COG meeting will be Monday, Oct. 13. She also mentioned on Oct. 30 there will be a County Storm water meeting here at the township building beginning at 9 am.

Newsletter – Supervisor Martin made a motion to approve the newsletter with addition. Vice-chairman Sheaffer seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Park and Rec – Vickie reported the Park and Rec met on Thursday and these are the highlights of the meeting:

- No Skateboarding Signs ordered for both the walking trail and the park
- Lloyd Jones is working on the cameras
- The board would like to put a notice in the newsletter to see if residents would buy a park bench and they would get their name put on the bench. George stated the benches cost about \$200.00 each

- South Fairview Church would like the old swing sets and see saw. Marcus suggested having a bill of sale drawn up that they take the sets as is and assume all responsibility. Vice-Chairman Sheaffer made a motion to give the swing set and see saw to South Fairview Church. Supervisor Martin seconded the motion. Motion approved.
- There has been a complaint registered about hunters hunting near the walking trail.
- Ron is checking on prices for a chain link fence for along the Ickes property
- 2009 budget tabled until November
- The board needs to discuss the Community Center and fees to rent the hall

#### APPROVAL OF BILLS LISTING

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

#### SUPERVISOR COMMENTS

Vice-Chairman Sheaffer stated it is finally nice to see dirt being moved and the fields leveled.

#### ADJOURNMENT

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

Next meeting – November 13, 2008

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Sangialosi  
Secretary/Treasurer