

PENN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1301 Centerville Road

Newville, PA 17241

Regular Meeting

February 10, 2011

Chairman Gary Martin called the meeting to order and led everyone present in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Present: Chairman Gary Martin, Vice Chairman Ken Sheaffer, Supervisor Amos Seiders, Solicitor Marcus McKnight, Secretary Tina McCommon and Treasurer Martha Sheaffer

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND TREASURER'S REPORT

Vice Chairman Sheaffer made a motion to approve the minutes from the January 13, 2011 meeting. Supervisor Seiders seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Vice Chairman Sheaffer made a motion to approve the treasurer's report of January 31, 2011. Supervisor Seiders seconded the motion. Motion approved.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Centerville School Oil Remediation – the geophysical survey of the underground at the school has been completed. The survey determines if there is a potential pathway for the oil to pool or migrate. Our next step is to develop a plan for DEP to be able to remove the oil in the most efficient way.

Trash Delinquencies – correspondence will be sent to IWS in reference to clearing Terry Shetron – no service was provided. Jill Gensimore will have her trash delinquency added to the judgment that was filed. Daryl Hurley – Marcus filed a complaint against with the District Magistrate. Amanda Myers – has not been able to be located and the township will pay the delinquency to clear trash record. Chairman Martin made a motion for the trash bill for Amanda Myers to be paid by the township. Vice Chairman Sheaffer seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Chairman Martin commented that the contract is up for bid in March. The original contract expires in July. Newville Borough is looking at going with a single hauler also.

Broce Broom – Marcus presented a letter to the Broce Manufacturing president for the supervisors review. The service records are to be included. Supervisor Seiders made a motion to accept and mail the letter Marcus drafted. Vice Chairman Sheaffer seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Personnel Manual – an amendment was made to the personnel manual that full time road crew workers are required to wear safety shoes and will be reimbursed for shoes once a year. Chairman Martin made a motion to approve the amendment. Supervisors Seiders seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Stambaugh property – the property located at Quarry Hill and Ritner Highway has been cluttered with junk and debris. Marcus will be sending a letter addressed to Mr Stambaugh, Mr Williams, and Attorney Ron Johnson. The farm property also needs to be addressed. Vice Chairman Sheaffer made a motion for Marcus to send separate letters for each of the properties. Supervisor Seiders seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Souder property – the hearing lasted an hour. Vivian listened and then explained that he was in violation of ordinances. People give him items for metal and a lot of the items flow into the yard. Vivian stated that he needed to get rid of the items outside the building and inside the building. The cars and the wood belong to the son. Vivian asked for the son to clean up. A reasonable amount of time needs to be given to clean up and make payments. Third time around – no breaks were given. Fred stated he needs a deadline to work towards. Marcus stated that Fred can talk to him and tell him 90 days. Fred stated he feels the deadline should be the end of April. Chairman Martin stated if he makes progress, we can give him an extra 30 days. Mr Souders will be making payments to the township.

Fettrow property – Sheriff sale is now set for April 6, 2011, because no one can seem to find him. A complaint has been filed. It is the largest amount for a fine that we have filed.

Hair Resolution – DEP disapproved the first module. Just need approval for the secretary to sign resolution and reissue module to DEP. Chairman Martin made a motion for the secretary to sign the resolution. Supervisor Seiders seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Fred asked for a 90 day extension from Eric Diffenbaugh for the plans for the Hair Subdivision plans. Vice Chairman Sheaffer made a motion for a 90 day extension for the subdivision plan. Chairman Martin seconded the motion. Motion approved.

NEW BUSINESS

Clifford – wants to build a new home on Peach Orchard Road. There is an existing home on the property. Wants a removal agreement to tear down or move double wide once new home is built. Needs approval of agreement by the supervisors since there are two residences on the property. The secretary will send the agreement to the residents.

Electric Choice – not a lot of research completed at this time. Possibly looking at the Farm Bureau option. The township may get an energy consultant to review the building for efficiency.

Ordinance 2011-001 – the Planning Commission has been working on an ordinance for alternative energy systems. Chairman Martin wrote the ordinance. DEP has in the ordinance about nuisances. If smoke is acrid, it is considered a nuisance. Vice Sheaffer made a motion to approve the advertisement for the ordinance. Supervisor Seiders seconded the motion. Motion approved.

\*Wind and solar energy topics will be in the next newsletter. Also the wood fire burner info from DEP. Any new burners have to be EPA Phase 2 approved.

Storm Water Management Ordinance – the Cumberland County plan did what they needed to do with the ordinance. Needs to be advertised for next month. Minor changes we can approve. Even though the deadline states March 28, we have up to 2 years to prove to DEP we are working on the ordinance. Will get Rich Mislitsky for the next Planning Commission meeting. Chairman Martin made a motion to advertise the ordinance. Vice Chairman Sheaffer seconded the motion. Motion approved.

## CORRESPONDENCE

None

## PROJECT UPDATES

None

## SOLICITOR REPORT

Storm water ordinance – keep track of time and cost for reimbursement

- The warehouse continues to look for tenants
- Sheetz is coming soon

Looking in the immediate future to modify the conditional use to make smaller commercial lots less than 5 acres. Will possibly modify ordinance for supervisors to approve conditional use for smaller commercial lots. Will not be a variance. Need to take action to be prepared when applied for in the future. The supervisors' power to determine will not change 5 acre requirement. If it's a good use and only need a 1 ½

acres, a conditional use hearing would determine approval for supervisors. Would need a sketch plan along with the proposal. We still want some say about what is being developed. It would require a text amendment to the commercial zoning stating a specific use for this part.

- Received a request for a copy of the developers agreement

## OTHER REPORTS

WCCOG – road materials bids due Monday

- Flagger training – all supervisors and road crew has been certified

Assistant Road Master – None

Chairman Martin made a statement that came from a township resident that commented our roads are better than other townships. Jeff and Ernie did all the plowing during the recent snow storms.

Park and Recreation – discussion to proceed with the lease agreement to establish a park at the Lebo Road Bridge. We can put in for grant money. We also can do a monetary \$1.00 per year – with us taking over the mowing and let the hatchery use it for overflow parking. We also can buy the property or let them donate. Looking at a 99 year lease agreement.

Zoning Officer – Mr Kitner called concerning the deadline for his clean up of property. Fred will visit next week and take pictures. Will talk to Mr Kitner concerning the situation.

- Myers property on Centerville Road – still a lot of debris outside of the home. Chairman Martin stated some had been removed. Will send letter to the bank that now owns it.
- The property beside Myers is stated to have a white tail deer in residence of the back yard.
- Crider property – need direction to inspect property. The addition and deck was not on original plans. Need permits and inspections. It needs to be checked out and pictures taken. Vice Chairman Sheaffer made a motion for Fred to review the property based on the original plan. Supervisor Seiders seconded the motion. Motion approved.
- Young property – old building is still behind the new building along with junk and debris. The property needs to be cleaned up and removed. Fred to talk to to talk to Mr Young and take pictures. Needs to explain what is expected in the future. Vice Chairman Sheaffer made a motion for Fred to contact and

take pictures of the Young property. Supervisor Seiders seconded the motion. Motion approved.

#### APPROVAL OF BILLS LISTING

Supervisor Seiders made a motion to approve the bills listing. Vice Chairman Sheaffer seconded the motion. Motion approved.

\*An invoice for \$24,000.00 for the survey of the culvert replacements will be paid out of liquid fuel money because it's part of road work.

#### SUPERVISORS COMMENT

Vice Chairman Sheaffer commented on the road crew and the efforts they make to clean the roads. They are employees who are dedicated. They do not leave the facility. They stay until the work is done. Most snow nights staying all night and sleeping in chairs.

Chairman Martin made a comment about they are here for extended periods of time and do requiring being able to cook meals as needed during their off time.

#### ADJOURNMENT

Vice Chairman Sheaffer made a motion to adjourn. Supervisor Seiders seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Tina McCommon  
Secretary

Next meeting March 10, 2011