

PENN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
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Regular Meeting
July 14, 2016

Vice Chairman Sheaffer called the meeting to order and led everyone present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Those present: Vice Chairman Ken Sheaffer, Supervisor Amos Seiders, Solicitor Marcus McKnight and Secretary Vicki Knepp.

PUBLIC COMMENT

NONE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Supervisor Seiders made a motion to approve the minutes from the June 9, 2016 Regular Meeting. Vice Chairman Sheaffer seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Supervisor Seiders made a motion to approve the June 30, 2016 Treasurer's Report. Vice Chairman Sheaffer seconded the motion. Motion approved.

APPROVAL OF SUBDIVISION PLANS

None

DAVID DUETCH – WALNUT BOTTOM BICENTENNIAL COMMITTEE - Mr. Duetch stated that 2019 is the Bicentennial of Walnut Bottom. They would like to name two bridges, one of which is actually in Penn Township on Pine Road. They would like to name it after Raymond Naugle, the Naugle homestead is there. They would like to place signs at the bridge with the name. Mr. Duetch was informed that Pine Road is a state road and they would be the ones he would need to contact. The Solicitor stated that we have no objections. If Mr. Duetch needs a letter of support for his contact with the State we would furnish one. He suggested that Mr. Duetch contact the State Rep., Mr. Tallman, and get his support. Mr. Duetch will come back to a future meeting to give us an update.

BITUMINOUS SEALCOAT BID - The Secretary gave the supervisors two bids to open, one from Wilson Paving and one from Hammaker East, LTD. The Wilson Paving bid was not totaled. The Secretary added the subtotals up. Wilson Paving bid is \$45,034.24. Hammaker bid is \$46,793.39. Vice Chairman made a motion to accept the Wilson Paving bid if they verify that the total is correct. Supervisor Seiders seconded the motion. Motion approved. (Secretary Note: Spoke with Theresa Greenaway of Wilson Paving on 7/18/16 and she verified the total of \$45,034.24 was correct.)

BARRICK ASA – The Secretary reported that the Barricks had recently purchased the Sensenig farm at 2551 Walnut Bottom Road. They have applied to have it joined to the Township Ag Security Area. The County Planning Commission, Township Planning Commission and the Township Ag Security Committee have all recommended approval of adding this to the ASA. The Solicitor wanted to know if this farm is adjacent to any others in the ASA. The Secretary stated that it was. Vice Chairman Sheaffer made a motion to accept Resolution 2016-13 adding the property at 2551 Walnut Bottom Road to the ASA. Supervisor Seiders seconded the motion. Motion approved.

BREAK FOR MOWERY CONDITIONAL USE HEARING

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Trash – The Secretary reported that we have new lists. Supervisor Seiders made a motion for the Secretary to send letters to the delinquent accounts. Vice Chairman Sheaffer seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Septic –The Secretary reported that 149 of the 369 due to be pumped in 2016, approximately 40%. Vince had her send a septic complaint to the Solicitor to send a letter. The gentlemen contacted Vince today. He is having a septic company out tonight to verify whether there is a problem or not.

Hassingier Drive – Vice Chairman Sheaffer reported that we have a hiccup on the paving. He met with Mr. Wenger and he is refusing to sign the Access and Easement Agreement. His lawyer has advised him not to because the Township can remove themselves from the agreement.

Reinterment of Civil War Graves – Solicitor McKnight reported that he has a call in to Steve Hoffman. We want him to come out and take a look at it as soon as he gets back from vacation.

New Equipment Building – The Secretary reported that the building has been readvertised. The bid opening is to be August 11 at 3:45 PM.

Stambaugh – Mr. Knepp reported that he and Supervisor Martin met with the construction company doing the demo. Demolition was started on July 6. The barn and the pole building are gone. The house and the milking parlor are scheduled for next week. The Stambaugh's have asked if they have a permit to build a house. They were informed no and they could not apply until they had a septic permit. They then asked if they could temporarily set up one of the mobile homes in the field to live in. They were told no. They asked if they could temporarily store one of the mobile homes in the field. They were told no to that also. A letter was sent regarding the multiple unlicensed vehicles that are now at the Quarry Hill Road property. If Mr. Stambaugh is claiming them as farm vehicles he needs to provide us with proof that they are registered as such. We have heard nothing from them on that. The Solicitor stated we have a pending case in which we have a fine against them. He appealed it, the Solicitor is ready to pile on some more costs and fines and fees for his failure to abide by the agreement and for the junk and debris on the site. He will do a complaint again. Vice Chairman Sheaffer made a motion to authorize the Solicitor to take action on the unregistered vehicles at Quarry Hill Road. Supervisor Seiders seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Prologis Developers Agreement Payment – The Secretary reported that KTR has paid the Developers Agreement.

Resolution 2016-14 Township Fire Marshal – Vice Chairman Sheaffer reported that we have been discussing it for 3 or 4 months and we have finally gotten it to where it needs to be. Vice Chairman Sheaffer made a motion to adopt Resolution 2016-14 creating the position of Township Fire Marshal and Assistant Township Fire Marshal. Supervisor Seiders seconded the motion. Motion approved. Vice Chairman Sheaffer made a motion to appoint Bob Kough, Jr. as Township Fire Marshal and Tim Knepp as Assistant Fire Marshal. Supervisor Seiders seconded the motion. Motion approved.

43 Irish Gap Road – The residents are to be out by the end of July.

NEW BUSINESS

Cumberland County Association of Township Officials – The Secretary reported that the County Convention will be on October 6, 2016 at the Bongiorno Conference Center. Solicitor McKnight stated that he will not be attending this year. Vice Chairman Sheaffer made a motion to send Chairman Martin, Treasurer Sheaffer, Tax Collector Stitt and Secretary Knepp. Supervisor Seiders seconded the motion. Motion approved.

CORRESPONDENCE

The Secretary reported that we had applied for a grant to the Cumberland County Conservation District for work on Beetem Hollow Road. We received a letter today from the District to notify us that we were awarded the grant in the amount of \$30,662.08. This is for work on the far end of Beetem Hollow Road. We will be applying again next year to do at least one, possibly two, additional projects on Beetem Hollow Road.

PROJECT UPDATES

The Secretary reported the road crew was out fixing shoulders on Kelly, Hair and Farm Roads.

ZONING CODES ENFORCEMENT

Mr. Knepp reported there were 9 permits for the month and one complaint. The complaint was about removing an underground fuel oil tank. He passed it on to the Conservation District and DEP for follow through. He issued 3 citations for the month.

Mr. Knepp asked the Solicitor if we are able to charge for restitution for the cost of sending a citation by certified mail. Currently, the \$25.00 fee does not cover his multiple site visits and postage. The Solicitor stated we can add the Township out of pocket expenses to the citation.

Bowermaster – Mr. Knepp reported we had the final hearing for the Bowermasters and we won. Since the hearing Chairman Martin has spoken with a local Mennonite and they are willing to repair the roof for free as a community service. Right now we are waiting on the weather to cooperate.

SOLICITOR REPORT

Sennett Agreement – The Solicitor reported that the Agreement has been recorded.

We also got the new signed Agreements back for the trash service until June 30, 2021 at the new rates.

FPE – The Solicitor has a final call in to the engineers to make sure he has the final amount of their bills.

Hodecker – Mr. Hodecker had been minding his business for awhile until approximately 10 days ago. Mr. Ries had planted several trees on his property to act as a buffer between him and the Hodecker sawmill operation. Mr. Hodecker sprayed the trees on Mr. Ries' property and killed them. The Solicitor stated that we need to get off the fence on the Hodecker case. He would like to include the issue that Mr. Hodecker deliberately caused damage to his neighbor's property by killing what was meant to be a screen between them. The Solicitor asked if the minutes reflect the hours of operation for the Hodeckers. The Secretary stated the minutes reflect no Sundays or Holidays and the operation can start at 7:30 AM. She reported there is no stop time. Mr. Hodecker rejected our compromise so he needs to comply with the Ordinance. The Solicitor will send a follow up letter and get the case ready for argument.

Stray Cats – The Secretary is to give the information to the interested parties.

44 Hair Road – The Secretary reminded the Solicitor that this was the gentleman who has refused to complete the Landlord Tenant Registration. She had given him the information at the June meeting. Mr. Knepp said he is long in violation of the Ordinance and he does not believe a citation will do any good. The Solicitor will file with the magistrate.

Citation & Alarm Ordinances – The Solicitor has copies of the amended ordinances. The Alarm Ordinance changes were authorized but he needs authorization to amend the Citation Ordinance to include the Alarm Ordinance. Vice Chairman Sheaffer made a motion to authorize the Solicitor to make the changes to the Citation Ordinance. Supervisor Seiders seconded the motion. Motion approved. The Solicitor will advertise the Ordinances for the next meeting.

OTHER REPORTS

None

APPROVAL OF BILLS LISTING

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

SUPERVISORS' COMMENTS

Vice Chairman Sheaffer thanked everyone for putting up with him tonight.

ADJOURNMENT

Supervisor Seiders made a motion to adjourn. Vice Chairman Sheaffer seconded the motion. Motion approved.

NEXT MEETING August 11, 2016

Respectfully submitted,

Vicki Knepp
Secretary