

JEFFERSON TOWNSHIP

REGULAR MEETING

November 14, 2016

CALL TO ORDER:

The regular meeting of the Jefferson Township Board of Supervisors, held at the municipal building on 157 Great Belt Rd., Butler, PA, was called to order by Chairman John Cypher at 7:00 P.M. on November 14, 2016. All rose to pledge the flag.

ROLL CALL:

Those present were John Cypher, Braden Beblo, and Sec/Treas. Lois Fennell. Lois Rankin was attending a PSATS Finance Committee meeting in eastern PA.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON THE AGENDA AS PRESENTED: None.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The Board met with Gary Pinkerton, Butler Co. Parks Director, on Tues., Oct. 25th 9 AM to discuss options in regards to the swing set and fall safe surface.

The Supervisors attended the Butler County Association of Township Officials' Fall Convention on Oct. 25th with other township officials from Butler County.

The Board plans to meet briefly with the engineer on Wed., Nov. 16th to hear information on the MS4 waiver application; and will have a notary present that morning to witness their signatures on the Miller/Lezzer (Stoneybrook) Developer's agreement (*approval with contingencies Sept. 12, 2016 minutes*).

MINUTES:

John Cypher *moved* to approve the Oct. 10, 2016 regular meeting minutes as written and distributed. Braden Beblo *seconded*. All agreed and *motion carried*.

FINANCIAL:

Bills paid between the October 10th and the November 14, 2016 meetings totaled \$13,499.79. Bills presented for payment from the General Fund this evening totaled \$30,686.44. No bills were presented from the State Fund this evening. Total of all funds after payment of the bills was \$1,408,038.53. *Motion* by John Cypher to pay the bills presented plus any regular bills that may become due before the December 12, 2016 meeting. *Seconded* by Braden Beblo. All agreed and *motion carried*.

PUBLIC BUSINESS OR COMMENT: None.

RECREATION COMMITTEE: No report/no meetings in Nov., Dec. and Jan.

ROAD FOREMAN REPORT:

Road Foreman William Foertsch submitted a report to the Board of Supervisors. John Cypher read the report: Kobert Lane pipe and Great Belt Rd. 30" cross pipe 'upgrade' has been completed. A French drain was installed behind the pool bath house; rain gutters connected to it and a catch basin on the trail was incorporated for better drainage. They will touch up top soil and put down grass seed. John said this was a good idea. The new Mack truck (cab) is at Super City and waiting for the dump body build; Bill met with Tri-County Mack and Walsh Equipment representatives on Nov. 9th for a 'pre-build' meeting. The snow fence is nearly completed; just waiting for a few crops to come off to finish up. The salt bin was topped off with 300 ton of nice, dry salt. Equipment has been put away for the winter and winter equipment has been organized in the newly renovated garage. Thanks to Murphy Tractor and salesman, Chris Grimes, for the demo use of a mini-excavator for 4 different projects. They finished the under-drain behind the grader shed; tail ditched at 102 Brian Dr.; tail ditched at 124 May Dr; and dug the majority of the French drain at the

ROAD FOREMAN REPORT, cont.:

pool. This saved the Township about \$600 in rental fees. Bill inquired if the Board wanted the road crew to do the leaves at the park again (takes 5 to 7 days.) John and Braden said 'if there is time and if it suits their schedule'. XTO road repairs have been completed.

PLANNING COMMISSION: No report/Oct. 27th meeting was cancelled - no business.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Lois Fennell reminded the Board to continue to look at the Floodplain Ordinance Revisions. There are options to decide on prior to passing the ordinance revision (i.e. name person responsible for administering the ordinance.) We received notice that the 'letter of final determination' (LFD) is expected January 18, 2017. Revised Ordinance must be adopted within 6 months (by July 18, 2017). The e-mail was forwarded to Attorney Marshall and Attorney Bish...in case there are other revisions needed before we adopt the "Revised Ordinance".

The 2017 Preliminary Budget was introduced to the Board of Supervisors prior to last month's meeting. The secretary revised/updated the 2016 year end balances...nothing major, except the \$155,000 for Hannahstown Rd. won't be spent in 2016, but in 2017 (still out of Impact Fee funds.) No further discussion. *Motion* by John Cypher to authorize advertisement of the budget, final review and proposed adoption at the Dec. 12, 2016 meeting. Braden Beblo *seconded* the motion. All agreed and *motion carried*.

NEW BUSINESS:

The health insurance plan for the full-time employees expires 11/30/16. Aetna bought out Health America/Coventry. Aetna's 'renewal' offer was unacceptable. Our agent supplied us with alternate quotes from UPMC and Highmark. *Motion* by John Cypher to accept the quote from Highmark and proceed with the enrollment application. *Seconded* by Braden Beblo. All agreed and *motion carried*.

Auditors appointed last January to fill vacant 'elected auditor seats' for 2016 only, Jean Bowen and Karen Boltz, have both indicated that they do not want to be reappointed again for 2017. Lois Fennell was directed to contact two people who have indicated interest, Jeanne Franke and Marlene Shrader, to request a letter of interest for consideration for appointment by the Board at the Jan. 3, 2017 reorganization meeting.

MISC. BUSINESS:

- Received NOTICE from Beran Environmental Services that PennEnergy Resources, LLC is proposing 'drill, operate or alter and Oil or Gas Well' at Wellheads W15-1H through W15-4H on the Armstrong Cement & Supply Corp. property in Clearfield Township.

- Received NOTICE from Gateway (Engineers) of Concordia Lutheran Ministries intent to submit an application to DEP for a Water Quality Management Permit Revision - treatment plan filter ungrades.

Mr. Kriley mentioned that lines were painted across Becker Rd. The Township did not paint them and were not notified by anyone about them (i.e. State police or XTO).

Bill Foertsch said he received a PA One Call notification for PennEnergy to do 3 core samples on Marwood Rd. just west of our township line. Not sure what is being planned.

ATTENDANCE:

Gene & Shirley Widenhofer, Lillian Bachman, Dennis Kriley, Bill & Mandi Foertsch, and Roger Cypher.

ADJOURN:

Motion by John Cypher to adjourn at 7:25 P.M. *Seconded* by Braden Beblo. All agreed and *motion carried*. The next regular meeting is scheduled for Monday, Dec. 12, 2016 at 7 P.M. at the Township Building, 157 Great Belt Rd., Butler.

Respectfully submitted by Sec/Treas., Lois Fennell