

REGULAR MEETING
June 8, 2009

CALL TO ORDER:

The regular meeting of the Jefferson Township Board of Supervisors was called to order by the chairman, James R. Jones, at about 3:30 P.M. on Monday, June 8, 2009. All rose to pledge the flag.

ROLL CALL:

Those present were James R. Jones, James P. Chick, Phillip L. Bachman, and Lois J. Fennell, Sec/Treas.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Chairman Jones announced that the Board met in executive session prior to the meeting to discuss ongoing legal matters.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON THIS AGENDA AS PRESENTED: None.

MINUTES:

James R. Jones *moved* to approve the May 11, 2009 regular meeting minutes as written and distributed. *Seconded* by Phil Bachman. All agreed and *motion carried*.

FINANCIAL:

The bills paid between the May 11, 2009 and the June 8, 2009 meetings totaled \$42,461.22. (\$37,500 of this was the DCNR Grant received 5/26 and paid to administrator (County of Butler) on 5/29/09.) The bills presented for payment from the General Fund today totaled \$20,463.06. No bills were presented for payment from the State Fund. The balance of all the funds after payment of the bills presented was \$517,548.40. James R. Jones *moved* to pay the bills listed as well as any bills that become due prior to the next meeting. *Seconded* by Phil Bachman. All agreed and *motion carried*.

PUBLIC BUSINESS OR COMMENT:

Mr. Dale Gallo was present because he wants some type of noise ordinance. He said he would like to see a minimum acreage and does not want to interfere with 'farm machinery' at all. Chairman Jones said the township attorney has already provided some sample ordinances regulating ATV's/off-road vehicles./dirt bikes, etc., which the Board agreed to pass-on to the Planning Commission to consider and recommend regulations for a possible Jefferson Township ordinance.

Ms. Glenda Macurdy was present to complain that some kids are setting up hockey nets on Janice Lane and refuse to move --- making her go off the road to get around. She said the parents have seen this, but don't even acknowledge. She mentioned one parent's name, and Chairman Jones said he knows Mr. Gallagher and will give him a call. Otherwise, Ms. Macurdy can contact the state police.

RECREATION COMMITTEE:

Committee Chair, Leo Rosenbauer, reported on their June 3, 2009 meeting. Soccer: The spring season is over. The fall session starts in September. Baseball: tournaments are starting. They request *permission to put a concrete floor in the concrete 'bin' at the Thrower field parking lot*. The Supervisors *agreed*. Pool: They reported that season passes are down. They request that *12 feet of the old sidewalk be removed by the Township road crew*. The Supervisors *agreed*. This section of sidewalk was accidentally damaged by the contractor or from freezing. It will be replaced by the contractor. Park: Leo talked to the County CDBG Coordinator, Wendy Leslie, and she indicated that CDBG funds could be used for ADA compliant (handicapped) parking spots in the soccer parking lot; plus, fund can be used to make the Scout shelter ADA compliant.

PLANNING COMMISSION:

The May 28th meeting was cancelled due to lack of business. No report.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Lois Fennell explained that the Fieldhouse Restaurant's 'repair' sewage module is ready for resubmission to DEP. The original submission in 2008 resulted in DEP requiring a sewage plant rather than a 'small flow treatment facility.' The owner, Mr. Thrower, received permission to accumulate or record one-year's worth of sewage flows to prove that a 'small flow treatment facility' would be adequate. James R. Jones made a *motion* to adopt Resolution #287 a Plan Revision for New Land Development for the Fieldhouse. *Seconded* by Jim Chick. All agreed and *motion carried*.

Three road 'seal coat' bids were received and opened as advertised at noon today by the roadmaster and secretary. They were:

Suit-Kote Corp. -	Unit Price \$2.77 sq.yd.	Total \$352,180.57
Glen O. Hawbaker, Inc. -	Unit Price \$2.35 sq.yd.	Total \$298,781.35
Russell Standard Corp. -	Unit Price \$2.35 sq.yd.	Total \$298,781.35.

The secretary reported that afterwards she contacted both PSATS (PA State Association of Township Supervisors) and PennDOT Municipal Services and both recommended 'flipping a coin' to break a 'tie' (as has been done in other municipalities) since Hawbaker, Inc. and Russell Standard are both **lowest** price and **responsible** bidders. Chairman Jones asked the representative from Russell Standard (no one was present from Hawbaker, Inc.) to 'call-it.' He called heads. The coin was tossed by the Chairman and the secretary confirmed the result was 'heads.' *Motion* by James R. Jones to award the 2009 road seal coat bid to Russell Standard Corp. (total \$298,781.35.) *Seconded* by Jim Chick. All agreed and *motion carried*.

The secretary reported last month that she talked to two companies regarding possible 'electronic document management' systems. General Code has a system called 'laser fiche' and Ricoh has a system called 'smart search.'" General Code is the company that updates our 'code of ordinances' and they also have a product called 'e-code', which would put our code of ordinances on a website accessible via our township website. Both matters were tabled last month for the Board and the secretary to consider the need, the cost, the work involved, the continuing storage of hard (paper) copies records and maps, etc. The *Board agreed* this afternoon that since there is no requirement to do it and because it appears too costly at this time, *the Township will not proceed with either program*.

NEW BUSINESS:

Wendy Leslie, County CDBG Coordinator, contacted the secretary regarding the need for the Supervisors to pass a Resolution for the application and administration of the ARRA (American Recovery and Reinvestment Act) funds. The Board voted last month to accept the ARRA funds, if made available through the CDBG program, for ADA use in Laura J. Doerr Park. *Motion* was made by James R. Jones to adopt Resolution #288 designating Butler County to apply and administer the CDBG Funds and the CDBG-R (ARRA) Funds for Jefferson Township. *Seconded* by Phil Bachman. All agreed and *motion carried*.

PUBLIC BUSINESS OR COMMENT:

Ms. Lil Bachman asked about the matter of Saxonburg Authority selling the 'water system' to PA American Water Co. and their subsequent plans to bring a water line from the top of Center Ave. to Saxonburg using Saxonburg-Butler Rd. Chairman Jones said no one has asked or is expected to ask for permission from the Supervisors to proceed (as was the case with the proposed Summit Township sewer line extension.) Saxonburg-Butler Rd. is a state-owned highway and so, they are not going through

PUBLIC BUSINESS/COMMENT, cont.:

privately owned property. Plus, PA American Water is a 'public utility' overseen by the PUC. Chairman Jones noted that once PA American Water takes over, the Township will begin being charged for the 19 hydrants within the township lines. (There are 50 in the Borough and 46 in Clinton Township.) He said it is expected that additional hydrants will be placed along Saxonburg/Butler Rd. when the water line extension is built – resulting in more hydrants fees for Jefferson Township.

MISC. BUSINESS FROM TOWNSHIP OFFICIALS:

A special meeting of the Butler County Sewage Association regarding the DEP funding shortage is scheduled for Thursday, June 11, 2009 at 7:00 P.M. The appointed representatives are urged to attend. Lois is planning to go. Chairman Jones will try to make it, too.

A request was made for an address for the warehouse structure on the Stanley L. Walchesky property (between 702 and 706 North Pike Rd.) However, due to the current road access to the building at that location, they are requesting an assignment to Hannahstown Rd. The Supervisors reviewed the letter of request and *approved* the response letter prepared by the codes officer.

ADJOURN:

James Jones *moved* to adjourn at 4:10 P.M. Jim Chick *seconded*. Agreed and carried.

ATTENDANCE:

Gene & Shirley Widenhofer, Sue Hartzell, Lois Rankin, Tim M. (Russell Standard Corp.), Paul Foertsch, Lil Bachman, Dale Gallo, Glenda Macurdy, Wally Cypher.

Next Regular Meeting: Mon., July 13, 2009 at 3:30 P.M.