

**BERWICK TOWNSHIP, ADAMS COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
REGULAR MEETING
DECEMBER 10, 2012**

CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

The December 10, 2012 regular meeting of the Berwick Township Board of Supervisors, Adams County, was held in the Berwick Township Municipal Building, 85 Municipal Road, Hanover, PA. Chairman Robert Foltz called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. Present were Supervisors Robert Foltz, Fred Nugent, Earle Black, Pete Socks, and Barry Cockley. Solicitor Tim Shultis, Code Enforcement Officer Mike Hartman, and Township Secretary Karen Eakin were present. Bob Foltz asked all to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

CITIZENS COMMENTS

EARP – Chief Robert Then from EARP addressed the Board to thank the Township for the opportunity to provide Police services over the years. There were no questions posed to Chief Then.

STATE POLICE REPRESENTATIVE – An Officer from the Gettysburg barracks addressed the Board and asked if there were any questions. Berwick Township will be in Zone 34 which includes Mt. Pleasant, Hamilton, and Abbottstown. The non-emergency State Police number is 334-8111. The emergency number is 911.

EAGLE VIEW – Bea Haskins asked for an update on the Use & Occupancy permits for the Farmhouse and Office properties in Eagle View.

FIRST ENERGY – Ted Motz addressed the Board and provided information on how the Township may be able to save money on the Met-Ed electric bill by switching to First Energy as the energy supplier.

APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA

MINUTES FOR 11/26/12

BALANCE SHEETS – Through 12/5/12

ROADMASTER'S REPORT – November

Pete Socks made the **motion** to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by Bob Foltz. The motion was passed with 4 yeas. Supervisor Nugent abstained from voting since he was not in attendance at the November 26 meeting.

APPROVE BILL LIST

BILL LISTS (11/9/12 – 12/5/12) – Fred Nugent made the **motion** to approve the Bill Lists, seconded by Pete Socks. The motion was passed with 5 yeas.

CORRESPONDENCE

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

BUDGET FOR 2013 – Bob Foltz made the **motion** to pass the Budget for 2013, seconded by Fred Nugent. The motion was passed with 5 yeas.

MEETING SCHEDULE FOR 2013 – Pete Socks made the **motion** to advertise the Meeting Schedule for 2013, Barry Cockley seconded. The motion was passed with 5 yeas.

APPOINT NEW PERMIT/ZONING AND CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER – Pete Socks made the **motion** to appoint Mike Hartman, seconded by Barry Cockley. The motion was passed with 5 yeas. (Resolution #12-040)

TOWNSHIP GARAGE – Supervisor Black gave an update on the garage. The Solicitor notified the Board that there are contracts to be signed.

NEW BUSINESS

NOMA – Supervisor Nugent gave a summary of the Resolution proposed by NOMA for the South Branch Conewago Dam micro-hydro system. The project would be fully funded by NOMA. Fred Nugent made the **motion** to pass Resolution #12-041 authorizing submission of an application to the Municipal Assistance Program, seconded by Earle Black. The motion was passed with 4 yeas. Supervisor Foltz voted nay.

PERMIT OFFICER VEHICLE – There was no discussion.

VIOLATION TICKET QUOTES – The quotes from Print-O-Stat and Minuteman Press were presented to the Board for review. Supervisor Nugent recommended that the Code Enforcement Officer work on the development of the Violation Ticket format.

PROPERTY DONATION – There was a discussion of the possibility of property near Race Trace Road being donated to Berwick Township. The matter will be researched further.

CHRISTMAS – There was a discussion of Christmas gifts to the employees and committee members. Fred Nugent made the **motion** to give ShurFine gift certificates in the amounts of \$75 for full-time employees/\$25 for part-time employees and committee members. The motion was seconded by Pete Socks and passed with 4 yeas. Supervisor Foltz abstained from voting due to also being an employee.

OLD TOWNSHIP TRACTOR – Fred Nugent made the **motion** to sell the tractor for \$950.00, seconded by Barry Cockley. The motion was passed with 5 yeas.

FUEL TANK FOR SEWER GENERATORS – Supervisor Foltz stated the need for a portable fuel tank to be purchased to refuel the sewer generators in the event of a storm-induced power outage. The approximate cost of the tank is \$800. Bob Foltz made the **motion** to purchase the tank, seconded by Fred Nugent. The motion was carried with 5 yeas.

PERMIT ZONING REPORT

PERMIT REPORT –The Permit Report was reviewed by the Board. There was a discussion regarding the need for carports to have permits in the Township as accessory structures.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

LINCOLN SPEEDWAY – Representatives from Lincoln Speedway were in attendance to discuss their proposal dated November 26, 2012 addressing overnight parking during the upcoming racing season. The Solicitor posed questions regarding the number of registered entrants and the number of campers which would be allowed. There was a discussion of limiting parking in the East Lot to owners or drivers who receive a parking sticker. The lots will be monitored by Lincoln Speedway security. No open fires will be allowed in the lots. A response to Lincoln Speedway's proposal will be drafted by the Solicitor and sent on behalf of the Board.

ALL PURE (Maztech) – A list of the employees was presented to the Board. There was a discussion of the number of EDUs which should be assigned. The Township Solicitor will send a letter to assign 4 EDUs to All Pure.

HANOVER BUILDING SYSTEMS – The Township Solicitor presented the contract to the Board. Fred Nugent made the **motion** to sign the contract for the Township Storage Garage, seconded by Pete Socks. The motion was passed with 4 yeas. Supervisor Foltz voted nay.

HAMILTON TOWNSHIP – Bernard Yanetti was chosen as the solicitor to mediate the dispute.

CITIZENS COMMENTS

QUESTIONS FROM THE PRESS

Supervisor Socks left the Board Meeting at 8:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Bob Foltz made the **motion** to adjourn at 8:15 p.m., seconded by Barry Cockley. The motion was carried.

Respectfully submitted:

Karen Eakin
Township Secretary