

**BERWICK TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
REGULAR MEETING
JULY 13, 2015**

CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE TO THE FLAG: The July 13, 2015 regular meeting of the Berwick Township Board of Supervisors was held in the Berwick Township Municipal Building, 85 Municipal Road, Hanover, PA. Chairman Foltz called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Present were Supervisors Bob Foltz, Earle Black, Barry Cockley, Pete Socks, Tom Danner, Engineer Tim Knoebel and Secretary Jean Hawbaker. Tim Shultis did not attend this meeting. Mr. Foltz asked all to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- 1) **Richard Finkenbiner, Jr. – Hamilton Township Sewer Agreement/NOMA – Sanitary Sewer System** – Mr. Finkenbiner wanted to know why Berwick Township residents were paying much less in sewer fees than Hamilton Township and why Berwick has excess sewer income. Supervisor Foltz stated Mr. Finkenbiner would have to ask Hamilton Township Supervisors regarding their sewer fees since they are set by their Board, and there are certain properties in Berwick Township that are paying for reserve capacity. Hamilton needs to justify how they are coming up with the figure they charge for sewer fees. Mr. Finkenbiner stated the New Oxford Municipal Authority (“NOMA”) would like to discuss the potential transfer of Hamilton Township's sewer system to them. Debbie Brogan – 127 Ardmore Lane asked if Berwick Township is interested in releasing Hamilton Township from the Intermunicipal Agreement. Supervisor Foltz made a motion to allow Hamilton Township to negotiate with NOMA on the potential purchase of their sewer system, seconded by Supervisor Socks. Motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA: Supervisor Danner moved to approve the minutes of June 8, 2015, bill list, unpaid bill list and balance sheet dated July 13, 2015, and Roadmaster’s report for June 2015, seconded by Supervisor Cockley. Earle Black abstained since he did not attend the June meeting. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE CONT’D.:

- 2) **FEMA – Hazard Mitigation Plan Approval** – The Board acknowledged the letter.
- 3) **ACOPD Training and Education Survey** – The Board acknowledged.
- 4) **Bertie Kuhn – 420 Racetrack Road** – Ms. Kuhn is concerned about the amount of water that flows across the road between her neighbors, and then it is directed towards her house, which carries stones, leaves, sticks and other debris. Ms. Kuhn also wanted to know when white lines would be painted along the edge of her road. Supervisor Foltz

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explained that according to State specifications, the road must be a minimum width of 20 feet to paint

lines. This road is only 18 feet wide. Mike Hartman was instructed to send letters to make the property owners aware of the water situation.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- 1) Formation of Joint Berwick/Hamilton Authority – Supervisor Danner made a motion to notify all parties to cease any billable work regarding this issue, since NOMA is in discussions with Hamilton Township on the potential purchase and operation of their sanitary sewer system, seconded by Supervisor Cockley. Motion carried.
- 2) Supervisor Foltz made a motion to appoint Linda Seigle to fill the vacancy on the Zoning Hearing Board (Resolution #15-07), seconded by Supervisor Socks. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1) **Municipal Bid Acceptance (chains)** – Supervisor Danner made a motion to accept the highest bid in the amount of \$109.00, seconded by Supervisor Black. Motion carried.
- 2) **Berwick/Abbottstown Mowing/Snow Plowing Agreement** – Supervisor Foltz made a motion to cancel the agreement with Abbottstown, seconded by Supervisor Socks. Motion carried.
- 3) **Yearly Maintenance/Service on Generators for WWTP & Pump Stations** – Supervisor Foltz moved to accept the quote from Tom Stephenson Generator Service in the amount of \$1,545.00, seconded by Supervisor Danner. Motion carried.

APPEARANCES: None.

CODE ENFORCEMENT/PERMIT REPORT:

- 1) Mr. Hartman submitted and reviewed permits issued in June 2015 and discussed code violations.
- 2) **Signs for Pickup Truck** – Supervisor Danner made a motion to instruct Mr. Hartman to get pricing on lettering to be placed on panel boards. The township will make the rails and get the materials, seconded by Supervisor Cockley. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS CONT'D.:

- 4) **LED Lights for WWTP & Township Building** – Supervisor Danner made a motion to approve, seconded by Supervisor Socks. Motion carried.

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ENGINEER'S REPORT:

- 1) **WWTP Monthly Operations Report** – June 2015.
- 2) **Pending Plans Report** – July 2015
- 3) **Bermudian Keys Lot 5 – Interstate Paving – Final Land Development – Must act by 9/1/15** – The Developer's Agreement and Stormwater Operations and Maintenance Agreement will need to be reviewed by the Township Solicitor. DAK Properties is paying for 2 EDU's for this property. Supervisor Danner made a motion to have the Zoning Officer look into equipment storage and the effects of possible runoff, motion died for a lack of a second. The Board will look at this plan at their next meeting.
- 4) **MS4 Program** – Mr. Knoebel explained the EPA has established a stormwater management program intended to improve waters by reducing the quantities of pollutants that stormwater picks up and carries into storm sewer systems during a storm event.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS CONT'D:

- 3) Supervisor Danner stated he met with Lincoln Speedway and two known truck drivers to discuss the weight limit restrictions being proposed. One driver only drives the cab home, and the other driver's truck is empty. Mr. Danner stated the meeting went well.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT: None.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Linda Siegle - 193 Orchard Drive wanted to know the status of the O'Brien case. The Board will need to discuss this with the Solicitor when he returns from vacation. Ms. Siegle asked about the status of the NOMA letter. Hamilton will be discussing with NOMA the potential transfer of their sewer system.

Debby Brogan – 427 Ardmore Lane asked if the Board would be responding to NOMA's letter and sending a letter to Hamilton Township. The Board concurred.

Avery Sollenberger – 309 Primrose Lane talked about a water issue near his property. He was told to get someone in to analyze it, and work with the property owner.

Supervisor Socks stated that Hamilton Township told us that they were not in litigation, but they are with Cross Keys Diner.

Supervisor Socks moved to adjourn at 6:40 p.m., seconded by Supervisor Cockley.

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The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Berwick Township Board of Supervisors will be held on August 10, 2015, 6:00 p.m. at 85 Municipal Road, Hanover, PA 17331.

Respectfully submitted,

Jean A. Hawbaker, Secretary
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