

CONEWAGO TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AUGUST 3, 2010

The meeting of the Board of Supervisors was held at the Township Municipal Building. The meeting was called to order by the Chairperson, at 7:00 P. M. Those in attendance were Robert Hahn (Chairman), Lois Leonard (Vice-Chairperson), Lorreta Wilhide (Supervisor), Anthony Bowser (Solicitor), Terry Myers (Engineer) and Lou Anne Bostic, (Secretary).

Pledge of Allegiance:

RECOGNITION OF PUBLIC REQUESTS:

- Attorney Neil Slenker, representing Penn Waste requested the board to consider the adoption of an ordinance amending the township's trash ordinance to address billing and collection matters. Attorney Bowser informed him that this will be discussed under the solicitor's report.

-Pat McCoy, 4490 Susquehanna Trail, asked if the board read the notice in the paper regarding Manchester Township joining an intergovernmental insurance co-op for their health insurance. She would like the board to look into this. Pat McCoy presented the chairmen with a copy of the newspaper article. The Township Manager was requested to ask our insurance consultant to get new information on the insurance now.

-Sharon Beck, 1605 Copenhaffer Road, asked the board why the swearing in of the fire police is on the agenda when the township never did this before. Mr. Hahn informed her that the fire chief contacted him and the Second Class Township Code, Section 1914, gives the chairman of the board of supervisors the right to swear in special fire police officers. Mr. Fink, 545 Cloverleaf Road, informed Mr. Hahn that the swearing in used to be performed but has not been done for a while. Mr. Fogle, 1965 Copenhaffer Road, explained that the reason for the swearing in was to protect the township from any liability issues.

-Paul Finn, 55 Clary Way, asked if the township is considering participating in the National Night Out event. Mr. Finn feels that with the township growing it would be a good idea. Mr. Hahn asked if he would be willing to spear head the event and suggested that he get with the fire company to discuss participation.

Approval of Agenda: Motion by Ms Wilhide, second by Ms Leonard, unanimously carried, to approve the agenda as prepared.

At this time Chairman Robert Hahn swore in members of the Strinestown Community Fire Company.

Approval of July 6, 2010 minutes. Motion by Ms Wilhide, second by Ms Leonard, unanimously carried, to approve the minutes.

PLANNING & ZONING: None.

REPORTS:

The following reports were distributed to the Supervisors:

Treasurer's Report, Fuel Usage Report, Police Report, Road Report, Sewer Report, and the Building Permit Report.

-Mr. Hahn stated that the transaction report contained in the financial report is sufficient for approval and a separate transaction report is unnecessary.

-Mr. Hahn asked why the police report is one month behind. Ms Wilhide informed him that the meeting was cancelled.

-Mr. Hahn asked Ms Wilhide to obtain the number of accidents at the Lewisberry Road and Canal Road intersection from the police. He would like the report to include 2008, 2009 and 2010.

-Mr. Hahn would like the manager to obtain a projection to implement the computer software the township has for a sign management program for the next meeting.

Motion by Ms Wilhide, second by Ms Leonard, unanimously carried, to approve the Treasurer's Report.

Motion by Ms Wilhide, second by Ms Leonard, unanimously carried, to approve the Police Report. Sewer Authority Report was tabled. Mr. Hahn and Ms Wilhide did not receive the report. The manager will research.

Motion by Ms Leonard, second by Ms Wilhide, unanimously carried, to approve the Road Report.

Motion by Ms Leonard, second by Ms Wilhide, unanimously carried, to approve the Fuel Report.

Motion by Ms Wilhide, second by Ms Leonard, unanimously carried, to approve the Building Permit Report.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT: (Copy attached)

- Attorney Bowser presented an ordinance to the board to amend the trash collection ordinance to include billing and collection options. Motion by Ms Wilhide, second by Ms Leonard, unanimously carried, to authorize the advertisement for adoption at the September meeting.

-Attorney Bowser presented an ordinance to the board to amend Ordinance 297, repealing the "No Parking" designations on all of the streets in the Bennett Run Development with the exception of Fisher Drive between Copenhaffer Road and Trevor Drive. Motion by Ms Leonard, second by Mr. Hahn, motion carried, to authorize the advertisement for adoption at the September meeting. Vote: Hahn-aye, Leonard-aye, Wilhide- opposed.

-Attorney presented Resolution 2010-10, the Employee Handbook, to the board for approval. Sharon Beck, 1605 Copenhaffer Road, asked what changes are included in the new handbook. Mr. Hahn informed her that they want to discuss the handbook with the staff before the public. Ms Beck also asked if the job descriptions are included in the handbook. Mr. Hahn informed her that they are not included, however, the supervisors are working on them.

Motion by Ms Leonard, second by Mr. Hahn, motion carried, to adopt Resolution 2010-10.

Vote: Hahn-aye Leonard- aye Wilhide-opposed.

ENGINEER'S REPORT: Terry Myers presented the written report. (Copy attached)

-The engineer presented an update for the 2010 road projects. Mr. Hahn asked if there is a completion date in the contract and what the schedule looks like for the projects to be completed. Mr. Myers checked the contracts and stated they should be completed by September 30th, work should begin next week on the roads where there is reclamation. Mr. Nade, 385 Jug Road, informed the board that he thinks the big pipe located at his house needs to be replaced. Mr. Myers explained that he has concerns with the concrete structures under the current pipe. Mr. Nade feels that unless the pipe is totally replaced he will see an increase in water flooding his property. Terry explained that the in-place restoration lining process being proposed will not reduce the amount of

flow.

Mr. Hahn states that flooding does occur on Jug Road due to excess storm water run off. The engineer will meet with the roadmaster and Mr. Hahn to discuss the flooding. Mr. Hahn requested, and Ms Leonard agreed that the engineer should obtain bids for alternate culvert corrections.

-Mr. Myers reported that he does not expect to encounter any further trees that need to be removed for the projects.

-The engineer provided an update for the Big Conewago Avenue CDBG project. A resident meeting has been scheduled for Monday, August 9th at 6:00 p.m. at the township municipal building, to present a brief description of the project to the residents. Mr. Myers asked for board approval to advertise the bid. Motion by Ms Wilhide, second by Ms Leonard, unanimously carried, to authorize the bid for the CDBG project.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

-Disability/Life Insurance cost comparison - Tabled.

-PennDot - 5 year Winter Maintenance Contract. Motion by Ms Wilhide, second by Ms Leonard, unanimously carried, to sign the contract.

-Mr. Hahn introduced Representative Gillispie who is in attendance at tonight's meeting.

-Senior Day/Zion View Rental. The manager explained that a request was received to rent the building on the same day that the building had been reserved for the senior day activity. A letter was sent to the coordinator regarding their intended continued use, however, no answer has been received. Pat McCoy, 4490 Susquehanna Trail, informed that board that she and Darlene Kann have enjoyed the time they spent volunteering as the activity coordinators. She informed the board that due to the resolution that was adopted by the board regarding reimbursement of receipts the program has been discontinued. Ms McCoy presented the final receipts and the 2009 4th. Quarter report along with the remaining money left in the fund, fifteen cents. Ms Wilhide asked when the supplies and cabinet locks will be returned to the township. Ms McCoy requested a list of the supplies. Ms Leonard informed Ms McCoy to contact her and she will let her in the building. Ms McCoy stated that she will return the items at a public meeting.

-Energy Audit. The manager asked the board if they are interested in obtaining an energy audit of the township properties due to the proposed electric rate increase. The board requested more information.

-PennDOT flagger training. The Board requested more information.

OTHER BUSINESS:

-Tree removal. The manager obtained 4 quotes to remove 2 trees on Cemetery Road. The trees need to be removed in order to replace the storm drain.

-York Tree Service - \$3,720.00

-Kemper Tree Service - \$2,985.00

-Lightner Tree Service - \$2,200.00

-Out on a Limb - \$1,800.00

All above were provided with the same information. Motion by Ms. Wilhide, second by Ms Leonard, unanimously carried, to have Out on a Limb do the work.

-Mr. Hahn asked the zoning officer to prepare a list for all the Supervisors of all applicable permits affected by Act 46 of 2010. The Act extended all permits until July 2, 2013.

-Mr. Hahn requested that budget workshops be scheduled.

-September 20, 2010 at 7:00 p.m.

-October, 18, 2010 at 7:00 p.m.

-November 22, 2010 at 7:00 p.m.

Ms Leonard and Ms Wilhide agreed on the dates. All above meetings will be advertised and held at the township municipal building.

-Mr. Hahn stated that is has received complaints residents which were previously covered by a memo he sent to Ms Wilhide and Ms Leonard regarding the Spring Valley Mulch operation located on Millcreek Road. He has spoken with the county conservation district and the state and county clean and green assessment department regarding some of the residents concerns. They feel that the air quality in the area is a problem and people may be getting sick. Ms. Leonard and Ms Wilhide stated that they have not heard any complaints.

Mrs. Wilt, a resident on Millcreek Road, informed the board that the fine dust is being inhaled by the residents and she does not think that it is a good thing. Her family has been having more upper respiratory problems, especially in the fall. She would like the township to test the air quality in the area. Mr. Hahn instructed the township manager to contact DEP and request an Air Quality Evaluation. Ms Wilhide and Ms Leonard agree with Mr. Hahn.

-Sharon Beck, 1605 Copenhaffer Road, asked the board why it is taking so long for the airport ordinance. Mr. Hahn informed her that the solicitor is working on this and the solicitor, Fritz Neufeld and Mr. Hahn have attended the recent PennDOT seminar on the ordinance. Ms Beck also asked why the Bennett Run matter is still not settled. She feels that things are taking too long.

-Dean Keeports, Millcreek Road, asked Representative Gillespie to check the intersection of Butter Road and Lewisberry Road. He feels that this a bad intersection. Mr. Hahn requested that the Canal Road and Lewisberry Road intersection also be checked. Representative Keith Gillispie will have someone from PennDOT come down and meet with him and Mr. Hahn concerning the two intersections.

-Mr. Duncan, 980 Jug Road, stated that the Butter and Lewisberry Road intersection is a problem

-Keith Sweitzer, informed the Board that he would like to see the intersection become a 4 way stop intersection. Mr. Sweitzer says that we do not have enough police presence in the township. He also stated that the Spring Valley Mulch trucks are using Butter Road to gain entrance and the turning problem on Canal Road is no longer an issue.

-Jason Armstrong, 255 Fisher Drive, informed the board that the Bennett Run Development never sees a police vehicle in the development, except for Sundays.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lou Anne Bostic