

Penn Township Minutes Special Meeting April 7, 2015

The Penn Township Board of Supervisors held a special meeting on Tuesday, April 7, 2015 at the Municipal Building, 228 Clifford Road, Selinsgrove, Snyder County, Pennsylvania. Supervisors present: Jon Payne; Fred Ulrich; Brenda Moyer. Others present: Lynne Renn, Secretary/Treasurer. Members of the Public: Max Gemberling, Jim Saylor, Steve Herman and Malcolm Derk.

A roundtable discussion was held regarding the intersection of Route 522/Salem Road/University Avenue. Key points raised and discussed included:

- * there are 12 things that can be looked at to determine if a traffic light is warranted including angle crashes, ADT (average daily traffic), video. Township may be able to ask an engineer to pick 3-4 of the criteria instead of all 12
- * roundabout placement at intersection
- * 'right turn only' study but where would this re-route traffic and could those roads accommodate the increase in traffic
- * adding a merge lane
- * adding a center/left turn lane on Route 522
- * placement of a speed trailer along Route 522 to bring attention of speeding which is a big concern
- * some of this options do not address the concerns of vehicles that are trying to enter or cross Route 522 from either Salem Road or University Avenue
- * residents concerns are current but they also need to recognize that things take time. Road work being done now was planned 5-7 years ago. There can't be an immediate solution.
- * a traffic or circulation study might be a compromise way to start things going
- * as a county representative, Malcolm Derk stated that his office hears the largest number of concerns about this intersection than any other in the county

While many options were discussed no one is quite sure what the best solution is but it was noted that something should be done and all options need to be looked into further.

It was found that there was a miscalculation in the amount of material needed for the Bake Oven Hill project. A change order was required for the additional material. Motion made to approve the change order for Eastern Industries for the Bake Oven Hill road project by Fred Ulrich, Brenda Moyer second, all in favor.

The Township had been questioned as to whether or not it was acceptable to have a pig roast at/near one of the pavilions at East Snyder Park. Discussion held and found to be acceptable to have a pig roast at East Snyder park as long as the roaster is kept on the parking lot area with cardboard of some sort of protection underneath.

The grant money received for paving of the recycling area parking lot will be forfeited at the end of 2015. The Township would like to receive manuals of some kind from Bob Bickart and Larson Design Group to get a better understanding of what actually needs to be done to get this completed (drainage needed, grading, etc.). Motion made to get project manual from Bob Bickart and Larson Design Group by Jon Payne, Fred Ulrich second, all in favor.

Pete and Cookie DeWire are applying for grants for projects at East Snyder Park. They have already secured matching funds for most of the projects and these grants would be applied to the other 50%. Motion made to adopt Resolution 15-08 Support of DCNR Grant for East Snyder Park by Fred Ulrich, Brenda Moyer second, all in favor.

Motion was made to approve the sending of a letter from the Planning Commission to the Snyder County Conservation District by Jon Payne, Brenda Moyer second, all in favor.

Darwin Swope is to be notified that ESCRA has a copy of Act 537. He can schedule an appointment with them to view or he can request copies of the Act at a cost of \$0.25/sheet with the Act being +200 pages in length. Motion made for the Township to purchase a copy of Act 537 for own records, including updates by Fred Ulrich, Brenda Moyer second, all in favor.

Adjournment

Motion made to adjourn the meeting by Fred Ulrich, Brenda Moyer second, all in favor. With no further business to discuss the April 7, 2015 special meeting was adjourned at 5:02pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynne Renn
Township Secretary