

**PENN TOWNSHIP  
WORKSHOP MINUTES  
January 21, 2015**

The Penn Township Board of Supervisors held a workshop meeting on Wednesday, January 21, 2015 at the Municipal Building, 228 Clifford Road, Selinsgrove, Snyder County, Pennsylvania. Chairman Jon Payne called the meeting to order at 6:00PM. Supervisors present: Brenda Moyer. Others present: Lynne Renn, Secretary/Treasurer. Members of the Public: Chris and Nicole Hepburn.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Approval of Minutes**

Motion to approve minutes from January 5, 2015 by Brenda Moyer, Jon Payne second, all in favor.

**Persons Present to be Heard**

Chris and Nicole Hepburn, residents at 388 Route 204, voiced concerns about the section of Route 204 near their house. There have been three bad accidents in that area within the past three years, the latest of which resulted in a fatality. Last year the accident took out his porch which cost thousands of dollars to replace due to the structural damage that was also done. The speed limit in that area is posted at 35 mph, however Mr. Hepburn states that no one observes that speed and in at least two of these three incidents the driver admitted to be speeding at the time of the accident. The Hepburn's have also contacted the State Police and have offered to allow them to sit in their driveway to patrol the area but without much action.

Supervisors commented that unfortunately there isn't much that Penn Township can do as Route 204 is a state owned road and we have no jurisdiction there. However it was agreed that Penn Township would send letters to both PennDOT-District Traffic Unit-ATTN: Allen Keller and the State Police-Selinsgrove Barrack indicating both residents' and Township's concerns about the issue.

**New Business**

Paperwork was received from Lycoming County Resource Management Services for the 2015 Tub Grinder Agreement. No noted change in fees. Motion for Chairman Jon Payne to sign the 2015 Tub Grinder Agreement with the Lycoming County Resource Management Services by Brenda Moyer, Jon Payne second, all in favor.

The 2014 CDBG Entitlement application was received from Glenda Ruch, CK-COG. No action required at this time, informational documentation only.

CK-COG announced the retirement of Thomas Sauers, Executive Director and Building Code Official. Upon his retirement they have named multiple members to a Management Team. An Open House will be held Thursday, January 29, 2015 from 11:00am to 3:00pm to visit with Tom and to meet the members of the Management Team.

Further discussion regarding the proposed \$250 annual membership dues for CK-COG was tabled until the February 4, 2015 meeting.

At the January 5, 2015 Re-organization meeting Judith Cope was appointed to one of the vacant auditor positions. Upon further review it was found that due to her currently holding another elected position she is not eligible to also hold the auditor position at this time. Motion made to accept the resignation of Judith Cope as auditor effective immediately by Brenda Moyer, Jon Payne second, all in favor.

Motion made to appoint Lynette Blair as Penn Township Auditor by Brenda Moyer, Jon Payne second, all in favor.

“Thank You” letters were prepared for Jacque Crissman and Chris Kenewell, resigning auditors and Shane Kerstetter, whose term on the Planning Commission Board had ended and who was not seeking reappointment. Letters were to thank them for their time and commitment to the Township. Letters signed by attending Supervisors.

In follow-up to the information that Darwin Swope had provided the Township regarding the upcoming sale of Magistrate Reed’s office building, Atty. Bathgate also wanted to make the Township aware that if there is any interest in the building, under 2nd Class Township Code, we would be allowed to talk to the county outside the normal bid process for possible purchase.

In 2014, to begin the race season, there had been a small parade of racecars from Selinsgrove Ford to the Selinsgrove Speedway. A similar but much larger parade is being organized for August 1, 2015. Kelly Long, Selinsgrove Ford, is assisting with organization of the event this year. They will be closing the road for the event and because the parade begins and ends in Penn Township they wished to contact us to make us aware. If the Supervisors have any questions or concerns we are to contact her.

Two roads in the township, Old Routs 11 & 15 and Rudy Road, were discussed as possible roads to vacate in 2015. Further discussion regarding the feasibility of this action tabled until the February 4, 2015 meeting.

Snyder County Conservation District is hosting a Local Partners Workshop on February 19, 2015 (snow date February 26, 2015). A wide variety of presenters will be in attendance addressing a selection of topics. Dave Bowersox, Zoning Officer, would like to attend. Cost is \$5.00. Motion to approve Dave Bowersox to attend, with the Township paying the \$5.00 fee as well as compensating Dave at his regular hourly rate for hours in attendance plus mileage, by Jon Payne, Brenda Moyer second, all in favor.

There were five (5) road crew employees that were due for their 90-day review. Employees being Jeff Benfer, Ken Carroll, Matt Cook, Steve Keefer and Tom Wallish. Excellent reviews were written/presented by Isaac Ramer, Road Supervisor, for all. Motion made to approve a 5% (or \$0.60/hr) raise for all five employees by Jon Payne, Brenda Moyer second, all in favor.

### **Adjournment**

Motion made to adjourn the meeting by Brenda Moyer, Jon Payne second, all in favor. With no further business to discuss the January 21, 2015 workshop meeting was adjourned at 7:02PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lynne Renn,  
Township Secretary