

**PENN TOWNSHIP
MINUTES
June 7, 2011**

The Penn Township Board of Supervisors held their regular meeting on Tuesday, June 7, 2011 at the Municipal Building, 228 Clifford Road, Selinsgrove, Snyder County, Pennsylvania. Chairman William Moyer called the meeting to order at 7:00PM. Supervisors present: William Moyer, Fred Ulrich; Brian Wentzel. Others present: Secretary/Treasurer Robin Bieber; Solicitor Robert Muolo. Members of the Public: Kathy Ulrich; Carl Kratzer; Todd and Dorothy Cox; Lynn Bressler; Norm Conrad; Jon Payne.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the May 16, 2011 meeting were approved as presented upon motion by Fred Ulrich, seconded by Brian Wentzel, and unanimously approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Todd Cox, recently terminated from Penn Township employment, questioned the Board as to why he was dismissed without a hearing, written reprimand or warning, as stated in the Personnel Policy. Chairman Bill Moyer informed Mr. Cox that the Personnel policy also states that if the 'wrongdoing' was severe enough, the employee can be terminated without the process as earlier described. Mr. Cox's employment was terminated under the grounds of 'willful abuse of Township equipment' and 'gross negligence in performance of assigned work'. Mr. Cox stated that he will forward the issue to the appropriate authority.

PERSONS PRESENT TO BE HEARD

Lynn Bressler, user of the Community Gardens, updated the Board on the gardens, and thanked them for the mulch that was delivered. Ms Bressler stated that while they have asked Selinsgrove Borough for help as well, little or no cooperation has been received. She was advised to attend a Borough Council meeting. Ms Bressler has also written and issued a Community Gardens newsletter.

Norm Conrad, Penn State Extension Office, was also present to answer questions regarding the Community Gardens and update the Board on current happenings. Currently, 88 plots are being used. Two more water lines will be installed and two used lawn mowers will be purchased. Some security issues with the lock box on the storage shed. Mr. Conrad noted that the fee per lot is \$10.00; income from lots is the only money that can be spent.

REPORTS

Roadmaster Bill Moyer provided a written report on recent activities.

Tom Snyder, Zoning Officer, provided a written report. 26 zoning permits y-t-d.

Robin Bieber, Township Secretary, noted the board constructed by Pete DeWire thanking everyone who has participated in the success of the East Snyder Park. This board will be displayed on June 12th at the park for the Great Play Day.

Emergency Management Coordinator Fred Ulrich had nothing to report.

Chairman William Moyer had nothing to report. The Supervisors will hold a workshop on June 13th to review employment applications.

OLD BUSINESS

Discussion held on the water issues on Hill End Road. Roland Beaver had expressed his concerns that water from Hill End Road seems to by-pass the installed inlet and enter the back of his property. Dye packs were used to determine if this water was the same water on Mr. Beaver's property. After the test, there was no evidence of dye on Mr. Beaver's side of the

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OLD BUSINESS (cont'd)

roadway. It was noted that the inlet was installed according to engineer's plans. Mr. Beaver will receive a letter on the findings.

Erosion issues on Hower Street were discussed. The Supervisors will view the site together and report at the next meeting.

Solicitor Muolo reported on the 'private pipe crossings on state roads' issue. Dewey Waugh, PennDot, has requested a final copy of the regulation from Harrisburg. Mr. Muolo noted that the Penn Township resident who is waiting for a permit for this should have Penn Dot give to him in writing exactly what is needed from the Township at this time.

Mr. Muolo also reported that no response has been received from Tom Gates regarding the right-of-way clean out at Salem Glenn Development. Also, no response has been received from Yingst Homes regarding the water issues on the cul-de-sac at Graysonview Court. It was noted that if no response is received by the June 21, 2011 meeting, additional correspondence will be sent.

The time clock has been installed. The employees will begin to use it on June 13, 2011.

A quote was received for a Bobcat mini-excavator through the PA state contract of \$49,035.32. This quote includes a grader bucket and a severe duty bucket. In addition, a 12" bucket will be purchased. Motion to purchase the Bobcat mini-excavator with grader bucket and severe duty bucket for \$49,035.32 and an additional 12" bucket from BSB Repair, Inc., motion by Fred Ulrich, seconded by Brian Wentzel and unanimously approved.

Meeting was recessed at 8:02PM and was reconvened at 8:06PM.

NEW BUSINESS

Request was received from Rick and Cyndi Romig for an time extension for their Sub-Division plans for property along Route 204. This extension will expire 45 days after a completed sewage facilities planning module is received. After review, request granted upon motion by Fred Ulrich, seconded by Brian Wentzel and unanimously approved.

Discussion was held regarding Sunset Drive and Belmar Avenue. According to the PennDot map, Sunset Drive connects to University Avenue. From University Avenue, Sunset Drive continues approximately 1/100 of a mile, then turns left. Belmar Avenue continues straight. It was noted no houses or street addresses are affected. Signs will be changed.

The ESP User Agreement and User Fee was approved upon motion by Fred Ulrich, seconded by Brian Wentzel and unanimously approved.

Discussion was held on the need for someone to clean up the park on a regular basis, clean restrooms, empty trash, etc. After discussion, Scott Kerstetter will be contacted to see if the adult people he supervisors through court appointed community service will be able to do this work. It was noted hours spent would be part of their community service sentencing and they would not be paid.

Prices will be gathered for a commercial-grade, diesel powered, zero-turn mower.

Quote received Fay L Wagner, Inc for \$349.00 for a grader tire and \$70.00 for the tube. Upon motion by Fred Ulrich, seconded by Brian Wentzel and unanimously approved, two tires and two tubes will be purchased.

The new storage building was discussed. Fred Ulrich will draft a sketch plan and submit it to the Planning Commission.

Discussion was held on plowing the road that goes to the Penn Township Municipal Authority well-house. Decision was made not to plow this road anymore, upon motion by Fred Ulrich, seconded by Brian Wentzel and unanimously approved.

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CORRESPONDENCE

PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AND PAYROLL

Upon motion of Fred Ulrich, seconded by Bill Moyer, and unanimously approved, the accounts payable and payroll were approved as presented.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn was made by Brian Wentzel, seconded by Fred Ulrich, and unanimously approved. No further business to discuss, the June 7, 2011 meeting adjourned at 8:40PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Robin Bieber,
Township Secretary