

GLENBURN TWP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MEETING MINUTES October 18, 2010

Board Members in Attendance: Mike Savitsky, Bill Wicks and David Jennings Jr.

Board Guests in Attendance: Solicitor MacGregor, Sewer Enforcement Officer Walter Redel, Secretary/Treasurer Joanne Benson

Public in Attendance: Attachment

-Supervisor Savitsky called the meeting to order at 7:30pm with the pledge to the flag.

Minutes:

Supervisor Savitsky motioned to waive the reading aloud of and accept the minutes of the September 20, 2010 Township Meeting, Bill Wicks 2nd, All in Favor.

Financial Report/Presentation of Bills

Joanne reviewed the financial reports and the bills. **Mo. by Savitsky 2nd by Wicks to pay the bills and accept the financial reports as presented. All in Favor.**

Hickory Ridge Sewer: Not Discussed

Committee Reports

Police: No Report.

Roads: Joanne read the road report left by Road Master Mennig. The road crew has been paving on Glenview, Chapin Dr. and Humphrey Street. They have started leaf cleanups and have cleaned up after heavy rain events. They re-cut the ditches on Glenn Ave. after water issues were pointed out by a resident.

Sewage Enforcement: Walter Redel issued a permit to Robin Conklin. He also met with Mr. Kent Fairfield to discuss a water problem. Mr. Fairfield will need to do some drainage work. Walter has been checking in with Mr. Krieger every week to 10 days and things have been ok.

Code Enforcement: No Report

Planning: No Report

Recreation: Bill Wicks reported that there will be a meeting this Thursday at the Clarks Summit Borough Building at 7pm. This past weekend marked the opening of the new dog park. Bill and the road crew have been working up there hauling gravel for the road and parking lot. There are \$900,000 in matching grants to be spent on various improvements including drainage, lighting, parking and other items. Bill Wicks explained that 1.8 Million was available for projects due to the match.

Old Business:

Precision National Plating (PNP) Update: Malcolm reported that split sampling was discussed in executive session and that EPA is ok with verifying the readings. The issue has now been referred to Precision's council to obtain permission to enter the property. There has been more activity at the site and work is being done on the EE/CA and injection process. Malcolm will email EPA to confirm what is going on. Dave Jennings brought up the issue of gas drilling and the need to protect area wells. Dan Naylor discussed the fact that he owns 100 acre farm with a gas lease and that his family all lives on or near that farm. He suggested that people should have their wells tested prior to the drilling so that there is a comparison basis. The cost is about \$600. David asked if there was any way the state would extend water lines to residents if drilling caused contamination. Dan said that in Dimock they are considering putting in a water system for residents. Dan said that a gas pad will be going in below Fleetville.

Glenburn Pond: Malcolm stated that an agenda needed to be developed prior to meeting with Scott Wendle of Natural Lands Trust.

Fords Pond Road Issues: Malcolm reported that there have been no updates.

ACT 32 Tax Collection: Randy Campbell reported that there will be a meeting of the TCC on October 28. After meeting with the 4 agencies, Capital Tax, Keystone, Berkhiemer and Centrex, there was no clear favorite. Site visits have been planned and a matrix of criteria is being developed. Joanne asked if a survey had been taken to determine who the municipalities use currently. That might

be a way to narrow the field. Randy said that there was talk of it but that it had not been done. He will follow up at the next meeting.

Fig Avenue Complaints: Dave will talk to Mr. Genovese about having the trailer taken down. Malcolm will draft a hold harmless agreement for the Township.

Waverly Road RR Bridge: PennDOT has agreed to make necessary repairs to the bridge. Jack Scheuer was asked to meet with PennDOT when they did their assessment of the bridge. However, Jack has been having difficulty making contact with the PennDOT engineer in charge.

New Business:

Zoning Map Amendment – Platt Request: A public hearing was held immediately prior to the Township Meeting to discuss an erroneously zoned piece of property adjacent to Glenburn Pond. This 6 acre parcel was zoned Special Purpose (SP) because of the erroneous assumption that it was part of the Glenburn Pond parcel. However it abuts residential properties and has been incorrectly zoned for years. Mr. Platt recently discovered, through the assessment process undertaken by Lackawanna County, that he owns the parcel and not Natural Lands Trust who own the pond. Mr. Platt requested that the zoning be corrected so that he can do something with the property. It is being rezoned to R-1A like the adjacent residential properties. The change has been advertised, letters sent to neighbors, the property has been posted and the Lackawanna County Regional Planning Commission has approved the change. **Bill Wicks motioned to approve the Map Amendment and David Jennings 2nd. 2 in Favor. Mike Savitsky abstained.**

Resolution authorizing participation in the NEPA Cooperative Purchasing Program: This was again tabled until the November meeting.

Announcements:

Joanne announced that the 6th Annual Glenburn Art Show and Sale was a tremendous success and that the opening was very well attended. 12 artworks have sold so far.

Public Input: Randy Campbell asked about the status of the Border Realty Development. He was informed that negotiations are moving forward. Glenburn is waiting for updated plans from Young and Botscheller.

Mike Sinkevich asked if anything was being done with regards to the water issue in front of his property. He explained that the water has been coming across the road in more abundance since PA American Water Company redid the pipes and had the road re-paved. He said that a swale needs to be built to keep the water from flowing onto his property. Malcolm stated that Jack Scheuer had been out to look at the situation and said that it was not something that the Township had induced. Mike stated that neighbors are concerned about icing in the winter causing a safety hazard. Mike also asked about stone placed in a swale in front of the home of the neighbor below him who is suing Mike. He wanted to know why that was done for this neighbor and no one else. Bill Wicks explained that there were plans to do the whole ditch along the road where the paving was done. The road crew was currently doing paving jobs while the weather is nice. Once that is done they will start working on the ditch again. Malcolm stated “for the record” that the water issue came to the fore front due to the litigation from the neighbor against Mike and Kevin White. The money will not fix the water problem. Malcolm will speak with Jack Scheuer again and have him put something in writing. Mike stated that it isn’t something easily fixed due the all the underground utilities.

Randy Campbell asked if anyone knew why Mr. Colombo was taking down all the trees and clearing the land by the Townhouses. Mike Sinkevich said word on the street was that he was planning to put in more Townhouses. Joanne stated that no permits have been applied for.

Correspondence:

Correspondence was reviewed prior to the meeting. **Bill Wicks motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 pm and Mike Savitsky 2nd. All in Favor.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Joanne Benson, Secretary/Treasurer