

GLENBURN TWP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS'

MEETING MINUTES January 18, 2011

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

Board Guests in Attendance: Code Enforcement Officer Tom Wicks, Police Sgt Eric Judge and Secretary/Treasurer Joanne Benson

Public in Attendance: Attachment

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

Minutes:

Supervisor Jennings motioned to waive the reading aloud of and accept the minutes of the December 20, 2010 Township Meeting and the January 3, 2011 Reorganization Meeting, Bill Wicks 2nd, All in Favor.

Financial Report/Presentation of Bills

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

Hickory Ridge Sewer: No new report. Contract negotiations are ongoing.

Committee Reports

Police: Eric Judge said that he did not have anything significant to report but would be happy to answer questions. Supervisor Jennings thanked the police for doing a great job.

Roads: Joanne read the road report left by Road Master Mennig. Small repairs were made to both trucks. Some upgrades were made to the chipper on loan from Clarks Summit. Three large overhanging trees were taken down on Old Trail Road. Snow and ice removal was handled for the recent snow storms.

Sewage Enforcement: No Report

Code Enforcement: Tom Wicks suggested that the supervisors consider a change to the Zoning Ordinance which would allow the Township to file a non-traffic criminal complaint for zoning violations. Currently many other municipalities including South Abington, Clarks Summit and Scott Township, do so because there is no filing fee associated with it. If a civil complaint is filed for a \$500 fine then a fee of \$83.50 is required. Tom learned this when he went to file a civil complaint against a Fig Ave. resident. This Zoning Ordinance change would need to be discussed with the Solicitor, Planning Commission and Planning Consultant, Carson Helfrich, before action can be taken. Dave Jennings asked Tom about his massage therapy business located in the Township. The requirements have changed from requiring certification to requiring a license. Tom Wicks did not think that there were any zoning issues associated with the change but he will look into it.

Planning: No Report

Recreation: Bill Wicks reported that there will be a meeting at the Clarks Summit Borough Building this Thursday at 7pm. He encouraged residents to pick up the State of the Park Report available at the Township.

Old Business:

Precision National Plating (PNP) Update: Supervisor Jennings said that there was no new information to report this month.

Glenburn Pond: No Report

Fords Pond Road Issues: Bill Wicks stated that we are still waiting to resolve issues with attorney Schneider and the County.

ACT 32 Tax Collection: Randy Campbell reported there will be a meeting next week.

Fig Avenue Complaints: Tom Wicks covered this in the Code Enforcement section.

New Business: None

Announcements: None

Public Input:

911 Addressing Questions: John Lynott voiced concerns about things that have transpired since the 911 addressing change. He has been receiving mail for 3 different addresses, his old address, an interim address originally assigned which was then changed and his final 911 address. Bill Wicks explained the timing issues involved in the change over and the fact that the Township hired professionals, GIS Tech Solutions, to do the change so that it would conform to 911 standards and there would be no need for any future address changes. The people whose addresses changed included those with RR addresses, those whose street name was also duplicated in another municipality and those who were on private drives requiring street names. Bill explained that some residents have had to endure multiple address changes over the years and that this should be the last change they need to make. John also voiced concern over the time it took 911 responders to get to his neighbor who was having an asthma attack. Sgt. Judge followed up with the communications center and told Mr. Lynott that the responders were on site within 10 minutes of the call. Bill Wicks explained that all of the 911 address information was sent to the county as well. Eric explained that the comm. center can locate an address via someone's phone number. There was prolonged discussion on the 911 changes and Bill Wicks also pointed out the importance of having your house number clearly visible so 911 personnel can find you. Tom Wicks stated that there are 911 kits available for purchase. You can put a post in your front yard with a reflective sign and letters that are clearly visible at night. David Jennings asked if the 911 information is on the Township Website and Joanne said that she thought it was but will double check.

CDBG Grant Monies Available: Randy Campbell read in the paper about \$300,000 in CDBG Grant Monies being available and asked if the Township was applying for any. Bill Wicks explained that there were income guidelines and handicap accessibility guidelines for anyone applying for one of the CDBG grants. He also told Randy that the Township currently is working with a demolition project to be funded by a CDBG grant. Bill stated that in the future if the Township were to pursue a project at Glenburn Pond they might apply for CDBG funding for handicap accessible trails.

Chief Mooney Retiring: Bill Wicks stated that Police Chief Mooney is retiring and would like the Supervisors to send a letter to Waverly Township recommending Sgt Judge be named as his replacement. Joanne will draft a letter.

Correspondence:

Correspondence was reviewed and Dave Jennings **motioned to adjourn the meeting at 9:05 pm and Bill Wicks 2nd. All in Favor.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Joanne Benson, Secretary/Treasurer