

GLENBURN TWP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MEETING MINUTES June 27, 2011

Board Members in Attendance: Michael Savitsky, Dave Jennings and Bill Wicks

Board Guests in Attendance: Solicitor Malcolm MacGregor, Code Enforcement Officer Tom Wicks, Sewage Enforcement Officer Walter Redel and 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 May 16, 2011 Township Meeting, Dave Jennings 2nd, All in Favor.

Financial Report/Presentation of Bills

Joanne Benson 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: Mike reported that the agreement with Border Realty is moving closer to being finalized.

Committee Reports

Police: No report.

Roads: Joanne read the report left by Road Master Mennig. The road crew has re-cut ditches on upper and lower Waterford, applied calcium chloride and re-graded where necessary. Several applications of cold patch were applied to Township roads where necessary. Storm damage cleanups were performed. A berm was built behind Glenburn Pond as requested by Natural Land Trust to keep people from dumping on the property. Supervisor Wicks was also a significant participant in the berm project. Roadside trimming and mowing was done and both trucks were inspected.

Sewage Enforcement: Walter Redel reported that the Hewlett property was in foreclosure and significant work was needed to get the septic system functional. The property has been sold. Todd Millet is putting an addition on to his home and will be moving the existing septic system down hill to accommodate the addition. Hopefully, the existing drain field will not be compromised. The Carrolls on Fig Street needed repairs to a broken pipe. The Krieger alarm was not operational due to a circuit breaker problem which has now been fixed. The Northup subdivision is being negotiated by family members.

Code Enforcement: No Report.

Planning: There will be a Planning Commission reorganization meeting on July 6th and a regular meeting to follow. The meeting will consider additional land being added to the Rennie subdivision.

Mike Savitsky brought up a blighted property on Sunset which might be in foreclosure. Joanne will look into the status of the property. Malcolm offered to help if Joanne runs into problems.

Recreation: Bill Wicks reported that the 2010 audit was completed with no problems. He mentioned that the Park uses the accrual basis of accounting and he is requesting that the board consider changing that to a cash basis to more accurately reflect the immediate financial picture. Several handicap access projects connecting parking spots to the pavilion and to the boundless playground and restrooms are in progress. This is all being done with grant money. The middle field has drainage problems and also requires handicapped accessibility and lighting. The budget for this is \$250,000 and the bids came in too high. Tim McCoy, Glenburn's newest representative and an electrical engineer, has broken the project down into smaller pieces to be bid out individually and hopefully reduce the cost. The next meeting will be July 3rd at 7pm at the park pavilion.

Old Business:

Precision National Plating (PNP) Update: Mike Savitsky announced that Malcolm and the Supervisors would be meeting with representatives from EPA on Wednesday at 9:30 at the Township Building to discuss the status of the Precision clean up efforts. Malcolm added that it will be a progress

update on what has been done since the public meeting at the Clarks Summit Fire House. They will also be discussing how the various testing data is reported with the desire to clarify the reporting methods.

Fords Pond Road Issues: Malcolm reported that he has been in touch with attorney Schnieder and that she has spoken with the bank holding the mortgage on the Gardner property. They are pleased with the situation and will be granting a release to perform the demolition. Malcolm left a message with Michelle Giavignoli about the current status. He will be writing a stipulation and forwarding that and any additional requirements to the County. Hopefully all items required by the County will be completed by next month and we will be able to proceed with the demolition.

ACT 32 Tax Collection: Randy Campbell reported that the TCC voted to accept the Berkheimer Contract at the meeting last Thursday. The Berkheimer Representative will be meeting with individual municipalities to review what is necessary for transition. Joanne has a copy of the transition guide. Glenburn will probably be required to pass a few resolutions. The 2010 audit of the TCC was completed and accepted. Marnie Palmer handed out a letter about the presentation at the Abington COG on doing a forensic audit of the Earned Income Taxes. The firm giving the presentation gave a price of \$40,000 to be divided up on a prorated basis by population among any municipalities wanting to participate in the audit. Some discussion followed.

New Business:

Bill Wicks motioned to change the hourly rate of Road Master David Mennig from \$14.95 per hour to \$16.95 per hour effective for the next pay period. All benefits and conditions of employment will remain the same. Mike Savitsky 2nd. All in Favor.

Mike Savitsky reported that Paul Ewasko has been corresponding with the Township about the condition of the caboose. It was repainted 6 years ago. Bill Wicks recommended that rather than put a bid out on repainting the caboose, the Township hire a restoration expert to develop a written specification for what needs to be done to the caboose and that should be bid out. He would also like to talk to Township engineer, Jack Scheuer, to see if someone at BCM can come up with a scope of work for the various building projects that need to be done. These would include a new roof and other aesthetic renovations. He would like to see a master plan developed that can be implemented in phases over the next few years.

Announcements: Joanne announced that the Township has once again received a \$500 grant from the County to be used for the Glenburn 7th Annual Art Show in early October. More information will be forthcoming.

Public Input: Michael Turock of 109 Wynnwood Road complained about burning done by the Township. Bill Wicks explained that the Township only burns a few times a year and it is done to dispose of the brush and debris collected from various storm incidents. There was some discussion on the burning issue and Mike Savitsky said he would talk with the Road Crew about it.

Boy Scout Bryan Melliand introduced himself to the supervisors and asked some questions about important issues in the Township. His mother, Nancy Melliand, asked if there were any laws governing the use of quads in the Township. She has been dealing with neighbors doing endless donuts in their yard on their quads. Malcolm explained that the Township did not have a noise ordinance and suggested that she try to work through it with the neighbors. She had involved the landlord last year with some success and it was suggested that she try that approach again. Bill stated that it is unfortunate that the Township can't legislate common sense or decency.

Correspondence:

Correspondence was reviewed following Executive Session. **Bill Wicks motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:30pm and Mike Savitsky 2nd. All in Favor.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Joanne Benson, Secretary/Treasurer