

GLENBURN TWP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MEETING

MINUTES March 19, 2012

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

Board Guests in Attendance: Solicitor Malcolm MacGregor, Code Enforcement Officer Tom Wicks, Secretary/Treasurer Joanne Benson, Police Chief Ken James

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 February 21, 2012 Township Meeting, Dave Jennings 2nd, All in Favor.

Financial Report/Presentation of Bills

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

Township Roof Replacement Bids: Bids were opened for the roof replacement project. Low bidder was Diversified Construction for \$24,975.00. (See attached bid sheet) **Mike Savitsky motioned to accept the bid by Diversified Construction for \$24,975.00 contingent upon review by architect Tim Aikman to insure that everything was in accordance with the bid requirements. Dave Jennings 2nd, All in Favor.**

DGK Insurance Package Review by Jeff Kyle: Jeff Kyle reviewed the 2012 insurance package for Glenburn. He stated that the building and contents were covered at full replacement value and advised the Township to keep an inventory of contents and pictures at an offsite location. He said that DGK would keep the list for the Township. He stated that the building and contents are location specific. He also stated that Glenburn should request certificates from Waverly saying we are an additional insured on their police insurance. Obtaining certificates naming Glenburn as an additional insured is desired for any contractor doing work for the Township. Bill Wicks asked about AAJRB Coverage and was told that Glenburn is automatically covered. The book values on the Township equipment need to be updated as well. If an employee uses their personal vehicle for Township business the Township policy is the secondary coverage but will pay the deductible on the primary policy. The \$400 increase in the insurance package is mainly due to the Errs and Omissions pending litigation. Workers Comp will probably increase by 3-5%. We currently have liability coverage on the caboose but would need to value it to get replacement coverage.

Hickory Ridge Sewer/Hotel: Malcolm reported that there were some issues with Border Realty paying for the pumping station. Glenburn can't move forward on sewer agreements until this is resolved.

Committee Reports

Police: Chief James said all was ok in the Township. Mike Savitsky complemented the Chief on the increased fines for traffic violations. He said that people notice the increased police presence. The signed police agreements were given to Chief James to take to the Waverly Board for signature.

Roads: Joanne read the road report left by Road Master Mennig. Two "No Littering" signs were installed behind Glenburn Pond on Old Trail Road and 2 more on Fords Pond Road past the trailer park. The littering has gotten worse in recent months and hopefully the signs will be a deterrent. The garbage was picked up by the road crew. A third load of salt was ordered and put in the shed. The minimum delivery quota has been met. The Backhoe will be getting new tires this week. Half of the catch basins were cleaned today and the rest will be done tomorrow. Pothole patching is ongoing as necessary. Ditches on Pine Tree Drive and Wilson Ave. were dug out and cleaned.

Sewage Enforcement: No report.

Code Enforcement: No report

Planning: Tom Wicks reported that the Planning Commission (PC) met on March 7 to discuss zoning changes based on discussions with Border Realty over putting a hotel on their land adjacent to their planned Hickory Ridge subdivision. The PC recommendations included having Border apply for a

variance to put the hotel on their C-1 property, changing some additional C-2 properties along the Route 6&11 corridor to C-1 to make them more restrictive and changing the height limitations for C-1, C-2, M and S-P from 2.5 stories to 5 stories or 70 feet. Carson Helfrich, the planning consultant, reviewed these recommendations and suggested not changing the height requirement for S-P. All current C-2 businesses would be grandfathered with the zoning change. Dean Ross objected to the zoning change saying it would limit the uses for his property. Malcolm stated that there is a process that needs to be followed to change the zoning and there would be a hearing, letters to affected property owners and posting of the properties. Dean Ross said he thought Glenburn was discriminating against business owners by not providing sewer and restricting the zoning. Malcolm stated that the Township has no legal responsibility to put public sewers in. Due to limited resources the Township has not put sewers in place. DEP forced the Township's hand in the take over of the gravity feed lines for Hickory Ridge. In the future this may lead to something that could benefit businesses.

Recreation: Bill Wicks reported that meetings are the 3rd Thursday at 7pm at the Clarks Summit Borough Building.

Old Business:

Dog Barking Issue: Tom Sarcinelli said that Chief James and Mike Savitsky did follow up on the issue. Chief James said that he could not hear the dog barking from the townhouses but he did speak to the dog owner, Mr. Carr, who stated that the dog is in the house during the day. Mr. Carr will try to address the issue. Tom said that the barking has gotten better since they haven't been locking the dog in the dog cage/run. There is no nuisance law in Glenburn.

Precision National Plating (PNP) Update: Malcolm stated that there would be more activity scheduled over the next 2 months and that they are scheduled to have another status meeting with EPA at the end of May or early June to discuss updated studies done in April and follow up on Dave Jennings request on the scope of the plume. Dave Jennings reported that PennDOT did not want to dredge the ditch along Ackerly Road due to feedback from DEP on possible contamination. Dave asked if the status meeting could be moved to July so that EPA would have GPS technology in place. Malcolm will follow up on those issues. Dave stated that his confidence level was at an all time low.

ACT 32 Tax Collection: Randy Campbell stated that the next meeting is scheduled for April. Mike Savitsky will need to fill out an ethics form as an alternate on the committee.

Building and Caboose Maintenance: See bid results above.

Railroad Communications Tower: Malcolm stated that the RR has responded with the materials requested but that they would need to be reviewed by the Township Engineer. It appears that a tower has been erected off of Old State Road in South Abington Township. There was speculation as to whether or not this was a RR Tower.

New Business:

Regional Police Study: Mike Savitsky asked for input from the other supervisors on participating in a regional police study with Clarks Summit. If interested, the Township would need to motion on a "Letter of Intent" for the Governor's Center. No motion was made.

Motion on Spring Cleanup: Joanne presented the quote from Waste Management to the Board. **Mike Savitsky motioned to have Waste Management do the annual curbside Township spring cleanup on May 4th and 5th for \$6,247.00. Dave Jennings 2nd. All in Favor.**

Announcements:

PEPS Art Show to benefit PAISBC: The Pennsylvania En Plein Air Society will be hosting an art show at the Township during 2nd quarter. The opening reception will be on Sunday April 15th from 3-5. The show will benefit the Physical Activity Intervention-Surviving Beyond Cancer organization founded by Abby Peck. Abby will be a guest speaker at the reception.

Public Input:

Gerard Hetman LC Community Relations Coordinator: Gerard spoke to the supervisors about his role as Community Relations Coordinator. He is part of a new organization designed to reach out to LC Municipalities to foster better communications and cooperation and to address local and countywide services. He will be coming to meetings every month and will be updating the Township

about various LC programs. He shared information on the Arts and Culture Grant, Armed forces Day, Penn State Extension Workshops, free drinking water screening, and the fact that American Pickers will be coming to Lackawanna County. He left posters and information and also presented the supervisors with a map of the Township as a gift from the LC Commissioners. He will be setting up monthly meetings with the Commissioners to facilitate better communications.

Paul Czarkowski Precision Complaints: Paul told the supervisors that there was a new seep on Ackerly Road that has not been tested. He has contacted Ann Didonato and she has not returned his calls. He also said that his well was being tested for a full spectrum of contaminants and that Ann cut the testing back because no contaminants showed up. He purchased the Colombo properties behind his house and wants to put up rental properties. He wants testing done on the well on that property. He stated that LFR had no idea about the existence of the well on that property. Malcolm will send a follow up to EPA about Paul's concerns. Dave Jennings suggested that the Township give EPA/DEP a week to get the testing done on the new seep and then have Quantum Labs do testing. David asked Paul to put a flag up by the new seep. **David made a motion that if EPA/DEP cannot test the seep in one week then Glenburn Township would hire Quantum Labs to test the seep. Motion failed.** Mike Savitsky stated that one week was not enough time and Bill Wicks stated that it was not the Townships responsibility to test the seep.

Correspondence:

Correspondence was reviewed following Executive Session. **Mike Savitsky motioned to adjourn the meeting at 9:30pm and Bill Wicks 2nd. All in Favor.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Joanne Benson, Secretary/Treasurer