

GLENBURN TWP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MEETING MINUTES May 21, 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

Public in Attendance: Attachment

-Supervisor Savitsky called the meeting to order at 7:35pm with the pledge to the flag.

Minutes:

Supervisor Savitsky motioned to waive the reading aloud of and accept the minutes of the April 16, 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.**

Hickory Ridge Sewer/Hotel: Malcolm reported that the project is currently in a holding pattern.

Glenburn is waiting for Border to finalize their sewer agreement with South Abington. Also, the property has recently been listed for sale with a realtor.

Committee Reports

Police: No report

Roads: Joanne read the road report left by Road Master Mennig. Roadside trimming with weed whackers and ditch spraying with Round-Up was done throughout the Township. The ditches on North Waterford were re-graded as was Wilson Avenue. Pothole patching with cold patch was done as necessary. A new "Arch Ave" sign was installed at the Arch Ave/Ackerly Road intersection.

Sewage Enforcement: No report.

Code Enforcement: Tom Wicks reported that he inspected 6 properties. There are a number of properties out of compliance with the Township Ordinance including the Mirabelli and Genovese properties on Fig Street, a Humphry Road Property and the Colombo diner property. **Mike Savitsky motioned to have BIU inspect the 4 properties identified by Tom Wicks. These include the Mirabelli, Genovese, Humphrey Rd property and the Colombo diner property. Dave Jennings 2nd. All in Favor.**

Planning: No report.

Recreation: No report.

Old Business:

Precision National Plating (PNP) Update: A meeting is scheduled with EPA representatives for June 4th to update the Township on the new database identifying the various wells and test results. A follow up meeting will be scheduled for the end of June with the field testing representatives. Mr. Czarkowski stated that he agreed to let Precision test the former Colombo property but not his property. Malcolm will drop off the "Right to Know" request emails at the Township Office. Joanne gave him the Ethics forms. Dave Jennings asked if the June 4th meeting was open to the public and was told that it was not but that the late June meeting would be. Dave also asked if test results dating back to the 1970's would be in the database. Malcolm will follow up with EPA on that question. David also mentioned that some areas improved and some areas were spiking. Dave wanted to know if Precision is paying for the cleanup. Malcolm said that Precision is supposed to pay and that it is stated in the Administrative Order. There was some discussion as to whether Precision paid for the EPA's personnel time. Malcolm will follow up on what costs Precision covers.

ACT 32 Tax Collection: Randy Campbell stated that there was a meeting at the end of April and that the transition to Berkheimer is going relatively smoothly. There were some issues with municipalities who were doing their own collections in terms of making sure all of the people were indeed paying taxes to the right municipality. This is probably due in large part to the 911 addressing changes

recently made in many areas. There are lists that Berkheimer has made available which can be compared to the municipality's tax rolls as an audit check.

Railroad Communications Tower: Malcolm stated that the RR has responded with the materials requested by Glenburn 4 months after the fact. Glenburn asked for data supporting the need to place a tower at the Waterford Road location and also for a face to face meeting with RR personnel to discuss the issues. In 2002 this strategy successfully resolved a tower issue and the tower was located in Nicholson. However, the RR delayed getting current tower information to Glenburn and our engineer wasn't available in February when we received the data due to some family health issues. However, a few weeks ago the Township Engineer was able to review the situation and some potential alternate sites were located. This past week Malcolm received a call from RR council and got an email copy of the complaint which they intended to file last Friday. After discussions with RR council Malcolm sent them the alternate site coordinates. They did not want to use the existing Verizon Tower. They did not file the complaint yet and the Township should be hearing back from the RR tomorrow as to whether any of the alternative sites might work and if they will meet with the supervisors. Malcolm stated to the RR that it seemed premature to litigate without at least sitting down together to discuss the issues. The health, safety and welfare of Township residents are the primary concern of the Board of Supervisors. **Mike Savitsky motioned to allow solicitor MacGregor to defend any litigation by the RR in court. Bill Wicks 2nd. All in Favor.**

Waverly RR Bridge: Supervisor Savitsky reported that work will be starting on the Bridge this week and that traffic will be detoured up Wynnwood and down Dean Road. Mark Colombo mentioned that concrete was falling off of the RR Bridge on Dean and that it might not be tall enough for some of the trucks to get under.

New Business: None

Announcements:

PEPS Art Show to benefit PAISBC: Joanne stated that the show will be hanging through June.

Spring Cleanup: The annual spring cleanup was successfully held on May 4th and 5th.

Public Input:

Gerard Hetman LC Community Relations Coordinator: Gerard presented the supervisors with a packet of information on the various upcoming county events and thanked supervisor Jennings for attending the recent meeting with the County Commissioners. These meetings will probably become quarterly instead of monthly. He stated that the Commissioners didn't want to become involved with Glenburn Pond until it had been cleaned up and declared safe from pollution. Malcolm told Gerard that the DEP and EPA have declared the pond safe. Gerard will report back to the commissioners.

Mr. Czarkowski had questions on the 30% tax hike and the reassessment. Girard stated that a presentation on these items will be forthcoming.

Mike Sinkevich Willow Road Drainage Issues: Mike reported that the lawsuit with his neighbor has been resolved and that he would like the supervisors to look at the drainage situation on Willow Road. When the water company repaved they removed the swale and flattened the crown in the road. Now water runs onto Mike's property when it didn't previously. Mike gave Malcolm a copy of the release from the law suit. The Township had promised to look at the issue once the lawsuit was resolved. Malcolm will talk to the Township engineer.

Correspondence:

Correspondence was reviewed following Executive Session. **Mike Savitsky motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:25pm and Bill Wicks 2nd. All in Favor.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Joanne Benson, Secretary/Treasurer