

# GLENBURN TWP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MEETING

## MINUTES September 15, 2014

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

**Board Guests in Attendance:** Code Enforcement Officer Wicks, Solicitor MacGregor, Police Chief James.

**Public in Attendance:** Attachment

-Supervisor Savitsky called the meeting to order at 7:31 pm with the pledge to the flag.

### **Minutes:**

**Supervisor Savitsky motioned to waive the reading aloud of and accept the minutes of the August 25, 2014 Township Meeting, Supervisor Jennings 2<sup>nd</sup>, All in Favor.**

### **Financial Report/Presentation of Bills**

**Mo. by Savitsky 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jennings to pay the bills and accept the financial reports as presented. All in Favor.**

**Hickory Ridge Sewer:** Malcolm reported that Dave Gromelski will meet with Mark Young regarding the Glenburn/Clarks Summit Flow Meter issue. Malcolm has been working with Mike Donohue on the ARWA/Glenburn Agreement. There may be an issue with the EDU billing through ARWA that needs resolution with Border Realty.

### **Committee Reports**

**Police:** Chief James said things were quiet with the exception of the robbery of People's Bank. The FBI took over the investigation into the bank robbery. No other information is available at this point.

**Roads:** Bill read the road report left by Dave Mennig. On August 19<sup>th</sup> through 26<sup>th</sup> the road crew did roadside trimming with the flail mower. Upper and lower Waterford Rd was re-treated with calcium chloride to help with dust. An area on the top of Chapin Drive was dug out and re-filled with 5 tons of hot asphalt. Another area lower on the hill was repaired with 2 tons and several eroded areas were concreted in. The capstone on the culvert wall on Humphrey Rd was reset and secured for winter. The catch basin at Wyndwood and Sugarbush was re-built with concrete and stone. Several more areas on Chapin Drive will be repaired this week.

**Sewage Enforcement:** Malcolm drafted a "Release and Waiver" agreement to enable Matt Williams to put in a drip irrigation system at 1006 Sunset Ave. A document is being prepared by Laurel Mueller to attach to the release and waiver agreement. This agreement will allow the septic system to be closer to the well than 100 feet. This agreement also releases Glenburn Township from any liability for future problems. Annual maintenance of the system will also be required. **Bill Wicks motioned to adopt the Release Agreement and Well Isolation Waiver for on-lot sewage disposal at 1006 Sunset Ave. Dave Jennings 2<sup>nd</sup>. All in favor.**

**Code Enforcement:** Tom Wicks reported nothing new.

**Planning:** Tom Wicks reported that there is nothing new.

**Recreation:** Bill Wicks reported that we need to act on the project we got the grant for. He will follow up on what needs to be done.

### **Old Business:**

**Precision National Plating (PNP) Update:** Malcolm stated that David brought to his attention that Precision wants to put new monitoring wells on Little League property. Malcolm will follow up with Little League and Precision.

**ACT 32 Tax Collection:** No report.

**Arch Ave. and Parking Ordinance:** Mike reported that Glenburn will enact a parking ordinance to deal with the Arch Ave. issues and also address parking throughout the Township. Solicitor MacGregor has drafted a proposed parking ordinance. Chief James will be provided with a copy once it is approved and fully advertised. The handicap parking sign has not been installed by the Conservancy on Arch Ave. yet. It should be installed prior to the Grand Opening. PennDOT needs to finalize all signage. There was also discussion about a leash law. There was concern about dogs being walked off leash on the Conservancy Trail. The Conservancy will post a sign requiring dogs to be on leash. **Mike Savitsky motioned to approve the Parking Ordinance as prepared by Solicitor MacGregor pending the appropriate advertising. Dave Jennings 2<sup>nd</sup>. All in favor.**

**Caboose:** No report.

**New Business:**

**LSA Application Resolution:** It has come to the Township's attention via discussions by Malcolm and Joanne with Representative Kavulich's office that Local Share Account grant monies are available for some road repairs. Joanne and Jack Scheuer quickly put together a grant application to replace a culvert on Humphrey Street and do some paving. A total of \$298,000 is being requested. In order to submit the grant a resolution is needed requesting the money of the Commonwealth Financing Authority. **Mike Savitsky motioned to approve the resolution to seek grant money from the Commonwealth Financing Authority. Dave Jennings 2<sup>nd</sup>. All in Favor.**

**Announcements:** The 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Art Show and Sale Opening is scheduled for Sunday October 26<sup>th</sup> from 3-5pm. The show will hang through December 11<sup>th</sup>.

**Public Input:**

**SAPA:** Christine Dettore reviewed the SAPA plan status. She has previously done work for Glenburn on the Glenburn/Dalton Comprehensive plan and has been participating in the development of the SAPA plan. In 2009 the plan was signed off on by Glenburn and Dalton along with the other municipalities except for the city of Scranton and North Abington Township. Scranton is now moving forward with adoption of the plan. The SAPA team is coming to the member municipalities to give updates on what is happening and answer questions and concerns. The next step is to draft an implementation agreement. Dave Jennings asked about the benefits. Christine said that Townships are required to have one and the multi-municipal plan allows municipalities to understand what is going on in the region, not just their own municipality. She explained that the largest benefit is the sharing of uses which says that you do not have to have all uses in your township. Townships do not have to do joint zoning. Christine stated that the implementation agreement decides which municipalities have what uses. Scranton and Dunmore are critical to the plan for industrial uses. Bill Wicks concern was that the industrial uses and jobs would be shifted toward Scranton whose tax policies are not friendly to certain kinds of uses. A review of the map and plan was done by Denise Prowell. Green routes are areas the Township can make more pedestrian and bicycle friendly. This also makes it easier to get grants for those areas. Each municipality chose the uses it wanted to have. Employment areas are mostly designated for Scranton and Dunmore but Glenburn has a small one.

Denise stated that Glenburn may have to change the zoning map based on what is agreed to in the implementation plan. Bill asked about Employment Centers. Denise stated that the Employment Centers are mixes of industrial, commercial and some office uses. There was extended discussion on uses and zoning. In order to allow certain uses you could adopt your zoning to handle them. Comprehensive plans get changed about every 10 years. Some "what if" scenarios were discussed. If there is a change to the Comprehensive Plan that Glenburn wants and the change only effects Glenburn, an amendment could be put into the plan and re-adopted. If something only effects Glenburn's zoning then Glenburn could change its ordinance. The comprehensive plan does not discuss lot sizes. Townships can keep all specific lots sizes etc. The SAPA plan is already paid for. When updates are required then there may be some costs. Implementation may have some costs. Scranton will probably adopt the plan in a few months.

**Update on 224 Edwards:** Sue Heller asked if a letter went out on 224 Edwards. Malcolm will check to see if the letter went out.

**Grant for Abington Area Joint Recreation Board:** Bill Wicks stated that the board needs to take action on authorizing the project to be put out to bid. It is a time sensitive issue. It encompasses re-aligning one of the ball fields, completing the handicap loop around Wilson Lake and the minor expansion and paving of the lower parking lot. **Bill Wicks motioned to authorize the AAJRB to put out bids for the grant project to be opened at the next Township meeting conditional upon all requirements of bidding being met and paper back up for such. Dave Jennings 2<sup>nd</sup>. All in Favor.**

**Mike Savitsky motioned to adjourn at 8:40 and Bill Wicks 2<sup>nd</sup>. All in Favor.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Joanne Benson, Secretary/Treasurer (As transcribed from tape and Solicitor MacGregor's notes)