

GLENBURN TWP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS'

MEETING MINUTES August 17, 2015

Board Members in Attendance: Mike Savitsky (late), Dave Jennings and Bill Wicks

Board Guests in Attendance: Solicitor MacGregor, Code Enforcement Officer Wicks (late), Police Chief James (late) and Secretary Benson.

Public in Attendance: Attachment

-Supervisor Jennings called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm with the pledge to the flag.

Precision National Plating Remediation Status Presentation: Representatives from DEP, EPA, Precision National Plating and the Remediation contractor were present. Larry Brunt reviewed a series of charts which showed the progress of the remediation from 2008 to the present time. Levels that started as high as 50K to 500K PPB were now down to levels that are non-toxic in most of the areas being treated. A few areas still have levels of 500-1000ppb and they are being targeted for more injections and monitoring. A total of 21 monitoring wells have been recently added in the major problem area which is located in Waverly Township by Well C. The three areas that still need resolution are the former lagoon, the creek area and the area on the west side of the plant surrounding Well C.

No injections have been done since 2013 in order to see how things have fallen out. The surface water in one spot was 14ppb and needs to be below 11. That spot is before the bend in the baseball field. Some areas of shallow bedrock still show 500-1000ppb. Testing showed that the intermediate and deep bedrock had no contamination.

There is speculation that the fractures in the shallow bedrock are allowing contamination from the Well C area to seep down to the creek. Bill Wicks asked what the difference in elevation was between Well C and the creek. The answer was approximately 180 feet.

As of April 2014 there was no contamination under the building slab. A work plan is being put together for further injections and testing. Hopefully the injections will begin mid-September. Malcolm asked if there have been any negative effects from the injection chemicals. Other than some burning of the organic material at the injection sites there have been no negative impacts. The organic material has regrown since the early injections.

Malcolm asked how the wells are monitored other than visually and was told that there were hand held monitors used to test the air. The only thing that is noticeable to the public is a rotten egg smell caused by the oxides after the injections. At high levels that could be dangerous but that is not the case and that only happens when the soil is injected. Currently only the water is being treated. All the elements are natural elements (calcium and sulfur). There are no drinking water standards for those elements. There was discussion about posting the area along the Conservancy Trail when injections are being done. Kevin Quinn will reach out to the Conservancy about posting the area.

There is no real correlation between the concentrations of hex-chrome with the level of rain other than more rain would dilute the sample and probably reduce the levels.

There was discussion about Glenburn Pond. The Dam is still considered a high hazard dam even though it has been notched. A few more layers may need to be removed in the future. There was talk about the sediment testing free of contaminants for 8 quarters before any additional work on breaching it could be done. Bob Lewis insured the supervisors that the levels have been fine for more than 8 quarters. He did not foresee any issues with Glenburn Pond but will check on the terms of the original draw down agreement. Currently annual inspections are

done and they would be reduced to every 5 years if the status is changed to low-hazard. Mike Savitsky asked to be provided with the last few Borton-Lawson reports on the dam.

Dave Jennings asked if any other hazardous chemicals have been found and was told that there was no problem with other chemicals. The injection work plan will contain copies of the maps presented and a recent activity summary.

Minutes:

Supervisor Savitsky motioned to waive the reading aloud of and accept the minutes of the July 20, 2015 Township Meeting, Supervisor Jennings 2nd, All in Favor.

Financial Report/Presentation of Bills

Mo. by Savitsky 2nd by Jennings to pay the bills and accept the financial reports as presented by Secretary Benson. All in Favor. Dave Jennings asked Joanne to look into cheaper phone coverage. Bill Wicks asked Joanne to clarify the change order procedure being used for the AAJRB Grant Project.

Hickory Ridge Sewer: Malcolm had copies of the signed CS pass through agreement to be signed by Glenburn and Border. Malcolm is now reviewing the ARWA agreement and would like Jack Scheuer to look at it as well. Dave Jennings had a question about 7A on the CS pass through agreement. It was thought that the EDU's were the important item and not the number of duplexes but Malcolm will follow up with Dave Gromelski. Joanne will hold onto the agreements until that is resolved. **Mike Savitsky motioned to conditionally accept the pass through agreement with Border and Clarks Summit based on the special solicitor's response to the clarification of item 7A regarding the # of units allowed as they correlate to the # of EDUs set at 175. Bill Wicks 2nd, All in Favor.**

Committee Reports

Police: No Report.

Roads: Joanne read the report left by Road Master Mennig. Seven tons of cold patch were put down filling potholes and eroded areas throughout the Township but mostly on Fords Pond Rd and Humphrey Rd. Road edges and shrubs were trimmed back where needed. Major trim was done at Sunset and Gravel Pond Rds. Ditches were resprayed with weed killer as needed. Two trees that came down were cut and chipped.

Sewage Enforcement: No Report

Code Enforcement: Tom Wicks reported that 3 permits were issued for renovations or additions.

Planning: No Report.

Recreation: No Report

Old Business:

Precision National Plating (PNP) Update: Discussed in presentation above.

ACT 32 Tax Collection: No Report

SAPA: Tom Wicks brought up the SAPA Implementation Schedule that Municipalities were asked to sign off on. He has reservations about signing off on it. He believes that the body of the agreement will require the Township to take action on the zoning even though the promoters are saying that is not the case. Joanne will try to get Christine Dettore to come to the next Township meeting to answer questions. Malcolm suggested reaching out to their solicitor. Joanne will try to find out who the solicitor is, if there is one. Tom asked the supervisors to look at the Implementation Agreement. Joanne will send it around again.

New Business:

Windemere Circle Quotes: Bill will talk to Jack about getting additional quotes for the work on Windemere Circle. Dave Jennings asked that Washo be included in the quote process.

Announcements:

Caboose Refurbishment: The caboose has been completed and many complements have been received on it. Bill asked Joanne to look into getting lighting for the Caboose.

11th Annual Art Show: Joanne announced that the opening for the 11th Annual Art Show would be on Sunday October 25 from 3-5.

Public Input:

Lackawanna County Liaison Gerard Hetman: Gerard reported that the Senior Health Fair will be held on Sept 18th at PNC Field and Hero's Day will be held on Sept 19th at the LC 911 Center in Jessup. He also advised that the Lackawanna County courthouse will be featured in the PNC/CCAP Documentary Series. It will be a glimpse at the history of the LC Courthouse. LC Recycling Center will also sponsor Tire Recycling again this year on Sept 16-18 from 8am-3pm. Mike suggested that Glenburn participate as in years past at the Township Building.

Supervisor Savitsky motioned to adjourn at 8:00 and Supervisor Wicks 2nd. All in Favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Joanne Benson, Secretary/Treasurer