

# GLENBURN TWP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MEETING

## MINUTES December 21, 2015

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

**Board Guests in Attendance:** Solicitor MacGregor, Code Enforcement Officer Wicks and Secretary Benson.

**Public in Attendance:** Attachment

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

### **Minutes**

**Supervisor Savitsky motioned to waive the reading aloud of and accept the minutes of the November 16, 2015 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 by Secretary Benson.**

**Hickory Ridge Sewer:** Malcolm reported that ARWA is requiring a signed waiver to be created by Solicitor Gromelski. The supervisors signed the copy presented at the meeting. Draft agreements should be ready by next month.

Mark Young asked about what Glenburn's engineer found out from PennDOT about the elimination of turn lanes for Ruth Ave. and Fig Ave. PennDOT told Township Engineer Jack Scheuer that their traffic study showed that no turn lanes were necessary. Mark stated that Border had a highway study done which said that turn lanes should be required. Mike Savitsky said he would have our engineer get a copy of the PennDOT traffic study.

### **Committee Reports**

**Police:** No Report.

**Roads:** Joanne read the report left by Road Master Mennig. Pothole patching was done as needed. 2 new batteries were put in the 5 ton truck. Crack sealing was done on Kittle Lane. All 3 trucks have been inspected for the winter season. Spreaders have been put on and checked. Plows have been put on and checked. The Township is ready for snow!

**Sewage Enforcement:** No Report

**Code Enforcement:** Tom Wicks stated that there is one permit in progress.

**Planning:** No Report.

**Recreation:** No Report

### **Old Business:**

**Precision National Plating (PNP) Update:** Malcolm reviewed information and maps forwarded by Ann DiDonato and Robin Eisman. Test results show that there is a general downward trend in hexavalent chromium and in some cases it is significant. Malcolm has indicated to Robin and Ann that the supervisors would like to digest the information and then get back to them with questions.

**ACT 32 Tax Collection:** No Report

**Dangerous Structures:** Tom Wicks reported that all of the windows on the LiVecchi property were now boarded up and that the doors would be done as well. Bill Wicks stated that one of the doors was done. Unfortunately the items tossed into the creek are now at least 1000' downstream making cleanup unlikely. Malcolm stated that he also sent a letter to Attorney Rinaldi about the Colombo diner property. It is the owner's intention to remedy the problems.

**Roadwork Plans for 2016:** Supervisor Savitsky discussed the 6 year plan developed by Township Engineer Jack Scheuer. Bill Wicks stated that he would like to see the section of Fords Pond Road slated for year 2 moved to year 1 and Chapin Drive moved from year 1 to year 2. That would save some money due to less equipment mobilization costs by working on 2 sections of Fords Pond Road. It is also 8K less expensive overall. Glenburn Township will do all of the required storm water work on this project. The plan for 2016 would then be to do Humphrey Road (utilizing a \$139,500 LSA grant), Glenview Road from Northup Rd to Chapin Dr., Waterford Road from Church Hill to Dean, Fords Pond from Gravel Pond to past the Trailer Park and Fords Pond from the patch to the west side of the Bridge.

Bill also mentioned that PA American Water would be working on a water main replacement on Woodlea and Breawood and would do the pave and top coat next summer if the Township does the underwork.

Mike stated that the 2016 roadwork would be paid for by a combination of \$139,500 LSA grant money, \$119K liquid fuels money, a \$300K 10 year loan at 3.24% and \$400K from the general fund.

**Supervisor Savitsky motioned to authorize Jack Scheuer to begin to prepare bid work on Fords Pond (plan years 1 and 2), Humphrey Rd, Glenview and Waterford Roads. Supervisor Wicks 2<sup>nd</sup>. All in Favor.**

Malcolm stated that he would work with Joanne on the necessary loan paperwork. **Supervisor Savitsky motioned to authorize Secretary Benson to procure a \$300K loan with People's Security Bank. Supervisor Jennings 2<sup>nd</sup>. All in Favor.**

**New Business:**

**Act 44 Pension Disclosure Statement: Supervisor Savitsky motioned to approve the Act 44 Pension Disclosure Statement provided by PSATS for 2016. Supervisor Jennings 2<sup>nd</sup>. All in Favor.**

**2016 Budget:** Supervisor Savitsky discussed the fact that a 2 mil tax increase would be required to pay for debt service on the 300K loan needed for roadwork. \$400,000 from the General Fund as well as \$119,000 in Liquid Fuels funds and \$139,500 LSA Grant for Humphrey Rd. are also part of the budget monies needed to pay for roadwork in 2016. Bill Wicks asked that a note be put in the budget stating that the 2 mil tax increase is specifically earmarked to be used only for debt service on the loan or for roadwork. **Supervisor Savitsky motioned to pass the 2016 budget providing for a 2 mil tax increase to specifically cover debt service on the \$300K roadwork loan to be obtained from People's Security Bank or to pay for roadwork. A note will be placed in the Budget notes section to that effect. Dave Jennings 2<sup>nd</sup>. All in favor.**

**Announcements:**

**11<sup>th</sup> Annual Art Show:** Joanne announced that the Art Show "People's Choice" award winners. First place was Morgan Simon for "Amasa Hill Swamp, second place was Sarah Miller for "Silver Springs Falls", third place was Benjamin Jackson for "Exemplary Madness", fourth place was Sharon Campbell for "Shades of Grey" and fifth place was Ned Connell for "Kennedy Creek".

**Public Input:**

Mike Surdy and a contingent of neighbors residing on White Birch or Waverly Roads presented a complaint about 3 barking dogs residing on the corner of White Birch and Waverly Roads. They claimed that the dogs would bark incessantly from 6:15 am until late in the evening. Mr. Surdy played a recording of the dogs barking. He has spoken to the owner of the dogs who said he was looking into collars to help with the barking. However, nothing was done. Just last Tuesday a Christmas card was placed in the dog owner's mailbox asking that he do something to quiet the dogs. The owner asked Mike about it and he told the neighbor that all of the neighbors were disturbed by the barking. Things have been quiet since then but the neighbors want to make sure it stays that way. They presented the supervisors with a copy of an ordinance used by Clarks Summit to prevent such disturbances. Malcolm stated that the supervisors would take a look at it. There was additional discussion stating that any ordinance passed would need to be applicable to everyone and could be difficult to enforce. Mike Savitsky asked that the neighbors call the Township if the barking becomes an issue again and the Township will send the police chief out to talk to the dog owners. That has helped in previous cases.

**Supervisor Savitsky motioned to adjourn at 8:37pm and Supervisor Jennings 2<sup>nd</sup>. All in Favor.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Joanne Benson, Secretary/Treasurer