# GLENBURN TWP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' Agenda March 19, 2018

**Board Members in Attendance**: Supervisors - Michael Savitsky, David Jennings and William Wicks

Board Guests in Attendance: Malcolm MacGregor, Bernadette R. Menendez

**Public in Attendance**: Kevin Quin HKQ-Precision, Larry Brunt, Will Craft & Bob Lewis –PA DEP, Cathleen Kennedy and Ann DiDonato – US EPA, Erik Armistead EPA –Start Connie & Carl Baraffaldi, Chris & Linda Woodley, Eileen Christian, Lynn & Charlie Sansky, Bonnie Also, Richard Schwartz, Randy Campbell, Dan Blackledge, Marilyn Costa, Tom & Lisa Samuelson, Beth Scialpi, James Marzolino

Called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM with the pledge to the flag.

## **Minutes**

Supervisor Savitsky Motioned to waive the reading aloud of and accept the minutes of the February 2018 Township Meeting, Supervisor Dave Jennings 2<sup>nd</sup>, All in Favor.

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

Mo. by Supervisor Savitsky, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Supervisor Jennings to pay the bills and accept the financial reports as presented by Secretary Treasurer Menendez. All in Favor. Accounts Payable total -\$ 29,419.13 Balance Sheet - Assets \$591,878.06 Liabilities \$262,519.38 Total Equity \$329,358.68 Total Liabilities & Equity - \$591,878.06 Profit & Loss comparisons to 3/1918-3/19/17 a change of -77.7%

# Precision / DEP/ EPA Updates on Site

First - new website for EPA / Precision is https://gis.eparm.net/r3/Precision/

**Supervisor Savitsky** explained to the public at the meeting that the supervisors and Solicitor Malcom MacGregor requested the following information:

Consultants for Precision National Plating, the EPA, DEP and Arcadis were in attendance tonight to update the community on the cleanup activities related to the soil and ground water contamination from Precision National Plating.

Larry Brunt from Arcadis explained he had been involved with the site since 2006 to the present in regards to the cleanup efforts. The process involves injection several wells with Calcium Poly Sulfide which converts the toxic Hexavalent Chromium to nontoxic trivalent chromium. Recently an additional 24 wells were installed by the walking trail adjacent to the ball field property. Local resident Lynn Sansky asked why the wells were installed and why nobody from the township was aware of the installation. She also questioned why there was a sulfur smell from the area close to the wells. Kevin Quinn, attorney for Precision, apologized for not letting residents know about the wells being installed and committed to letting the township supervisors know of upcoming events in the future. Larry Brunt denied the wells being of cause of a sulfur smell and explained the injection process of those wells

won't be underway until July. Lynn Sansky asked who owns the property the 24 wells were installed on and if the land owners were being compensated. Kevin Quinn attorney for Precision stated he is not at liberty to discuss that information. He explained it is a private deal with the owner of the property. The meeting continued with the explanation that the wells along the Countryside conservancy train and the new 24 additional wells will be injected with Calcium Poly Sulfate. The creek will then be monitored for contamination. Lynn Sansky then explained where she lives in proximity to the new well installation and asked if Precision will test her well to be sure it hasn't become contaminated. Lynn was informed her well was tested several times. Lynn stated she remembers her well being tested 17 years ago and would like a more recent test. Lynn then asked Larry Brunt if he could guarantee her well is not contaminated. Larry could not do that however said he is 99.9 percent sure it is not. Lynn Sansky then stated she had a dog that spent a lot of time in the creek and recently died of a brain tumor. Bob Lewis stated many health consults were performed which indicate no health risk due to the levels of contamination in the creek. David Jennings questioned the validity of the health consultations due to the fact subjects included in the study from the affected neighborhood were not even offered blood as part of the physical exam. Ann from the EPA stated the health consults are very well done. David Jennings questioned the medical coincidences of 4 cerebral hemorrhages in the small neighborhood of 8 homes affected by the contamination. Bob Lewis and Ann from the EPA stated the health consults are some of their best work. David Jennings replied that is "Scary". Lynn Sansky stated there is a high amount of cancer in this area.

Ann from the EPA stated they are chasing a tiny number as they have cleaned up 90 percent of the contamination. Lynn Sansky asked if anyone was concerned about the kids who play on the little league property and asked if the parents of the children could be guaranteed there is not a problem with their children playing there. Bob Lewis stated there is no problem or threat to the children playing on the Abington Little League. He committed to putting that in writing. Ann from the EPA stated there was a health consult in reference to children playing in the creek. David Jennings asked Larry Brunt how many wells are on the site. Larry Brunt did not know exactly but committed to getting back to us with the exact amount. David Jennings asked if it was safe to dig around the precision site now that the cleanup has shown success. He was told yes you can dig around the site as long as you don't mobilize the water. David Jennings asked; if the cleanup is going as well as you say and the wells are free of contamination, how can it be a problem? Ann from EPA said we are not finished up there yet we are still working on it. Bob Lewis from the DEP stated ingestion of the contamination is the problem not direct contact unless the direct contact is with soil containing 100,000 parts per billion. David Jennings asked Bob Lewis what the threat is if you ingest Hexavalent Chromium. Bob says he thinks it is either liver or kidney problems but don't quote him on it. Bob committed to getting back to us on health effects of ingesting Hexavalent Chromium.

Beth Scialpi from Old State Road pointed out where she lives and then asked if it would be a problem to put a well in on a piece of property next to her current residence. Larry Brunt stated he would not put a well in that location because it is still impacted. David Jennings asked Kevin Quinn the attorney for Precision if the township could do split sampling with Precision the next time they sample select wells. Kevin stated he would ask precision, however in the past the answer was NO. Bob Lewis said it is their job as regulators to oversee the splitting of samples. Bob Lewis stated he feels there is a level of distrust and at that point many residents explained why they feel the way they do. Beth Scialpi expressed concerns of the upcoming injection process and explained she has 4 children under the age of 10 and would like to be notified when they are going to be injecting the wells. Ann from the EPA explained the EPA and Precision have a very good relationship and this is what you want when it comes to a cleanup.

#### **Committee Reports**

Roads: From Mark Hopkins Read by Bernadette Menendez Monthly Road Report February through March 2018

The road Crew has been responding to the winter storms along with maintaining the equipment used to maintain the roadways. The last few storms produced strong winds and heavy wet snow. That brought down a lot of fallen trees and branches throughout the township. They cleaned up all that fell and then cleaned any catch basins that had debris or snow on them from the storm. They fixed a wet spot in the dirt road at the end of Glen Ave. They dug out the muddy part and filled it with R3's and some gravel until the spring arrives.

As soon as the weather breaks the road crew will address any potholes and clean up any debris on the roads and intersections. They do have projects planned such as ditch work, paving patch work, and dirt road maintenance just to name a few.

<u>Announcements:</u> Spring Clean Up is May 11<sup>th</sup> and May 12<sup>th</sup>, 2018. As in the past years, please have at Curb-side the night before or by 5 AM on Friday morning. Details will be list on website. Or I will have flyers per request. We will have the supervisors make a motion to approve. **Supervisor Savitsky made a motion to approve retaining Waste Mgnt for May 11 and May 12, 2018 at the cost of \$8,400.00. Supervisor Jennings 2<sup>nd</sup>. All in favor.** 

## New Business:

Prior to tonight's meeting the supervisors meet this morning with our township engineer Zach Smith to go over the road repairs for Fords Pond Road. The cost to repair is \$250,000. The supervisors authorized our township engineer Zach Smith of BCM to get cost estimates. BCM will have in ten days to respond. Our intention to put out to bid and see what the cost come in at. Supervisor Savitsky made a motion to approve BCM Engineers to go forward with cost analysis to finish paving on Fords Pond Road. We put it out to bid and submitted to have bid opening on April 23, 2018. Supervisor Bill Wicks 2<sup>nd</sup>. All in favor.

Lynn Sansky- how much for the analysis from BCM. We have master plan from BCM for a seven year period from Jack Shier prior to his retirement. We have many roads to repair and not enough money to do it stated Supervisor Savitsky.

**Ms. Christian – concerned with actions on Ackerly property** regarding slabs of concrete and road going onto the property, if any legal action is being taken? Is there anything that we know that she does not? Malcolm MacGregor spoke to Carl Deluca about the Highway Occupancy Permit that neighbors are concerned about potential accidents and safety on the intersection of Waverly and Ackerly Roads. DEP is aware and has spoken to Penn Dot. The Township is not looking to harass Mr. Colombo and Mr. Deluca was informed to talk to Penn Dot regarding the intersection of the lot and driveway.

Malcolm MacGregor asked Bernadette to call Penn Dot regarding the H.O.P., and Mr. Wilson there was very rough about his reports he has on Mr. Colombo and Malcolm MacGregor did call him back and left a message for him. He does not have any information on this action. Gary Wilding (engineer) representing Mr. Colombo said he was working with DEP and Conservation district to redo his plan for Mr. Colombo.

Mr. Woodley called Penndot and they said they would look into it and there would be people looking at the site and he will be given a citation if they could track down Mr. Colombo. Malcolm MacGregor said it is a safety issue. Penn Dot has limited liability on this issue. One issue when they do have liability is when there is notice to Penndot per Malcolm MacGregor. Ms. Christian – do you have any suggestions for a response. Malcolm MacGregor said to call your representatives and ask for their help. Sid Kavulich office.

Marilyn Costa said she has heard rumors that there is going to be townhouses. We have rules in township and we have all residents follow the rules per Malcolm MacGregor. Supervisor Bill Wicks stated that the site is zoned 1-B

Lynn Sansky asked - Next Door.com is it legit for Glenburn residents. It is postings about the goings on and making the residents be in touch with each other. It is "NEXT DOOR.COM"

**Mr. Blackledge** had a question - asked if a developer files plans and they are approved by supervisors, does the township have a legal right to remove and review the plans? The township is not responsible to go out and look at the site and plans, stated Solicitor MacGregor, also stated that the HOA was never formed per the residents to go back to the developers and they have the right to go after him. Not the township. Township has no authority to go after him. The bottom line is the residents knew what was going on. Glenburn has no authority to sue the developer.

# **Public Input:**

Jim Marzolino attended the meeting to go over the questions and tell his neighbors what is going on at his property at Summerfield Village.

This is his primary residence. He denies any business is going in at the site. He is putting in a pool and fencing, following the rules per the Zoning & Site plans on site for review. Silk sock around property for soil erosion. He sent everything to the HOA of Summerfield Village. His property is registered in the county records. He is making a larger home and a three car garage. Clear cut plans. Anyone having questions, just come talk to me stated Mr. Marzolino.

Motion to adjourn by Supervisor Savitsky at 9:55 PM 2<sup>nd</sup> by supervisor Bill Wicks. All in favor.

## **Respectfully Submitted**

Precision, EPA, DEP and Legal terms for that topic were edited & written by Supervisor David Jennings