

ROBESON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
June 21, 2011

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Robeson Township was called to order by Chairman Feeg at 7:01PM prevailing time. The meeting took place in the Robeson Township Municipal Building located on Route 724 in Gibraltar, Berks County, Pennsylvania. The following members of the Board were present: Supervisors Smith, Brown, Love and Deeds. Also present were Solicitor Christopher Hartman, Engineer Gary Kraft, Police Chief Mark T. Phillips, Acting Road Master William Lanza and Manager Thomas C. Keim.

Pledge to the Flag and Moment of Silence

ROADS, CODES & PUBLIC PROPERTY

Kraft Code Services Reports on Property Complaints

Keller / Seyfert Drive Complaint - Solicitor Hartman stated Mr. Keller would not be available for this meeting; a stenographer was not present. Mr. Keller was present and discussed the violation regarding his property on Seyfert Drive. Issues discussed were a demolition permit being issued and not acted upon, numerous complaints regarding abandoned vehicles, debris / rubbish and using the shed on the property for storage. Mr. Boulanger of KCS had no problem with using the shed for storage. Following a lengthy discussion, it was determined that Mr. Keller could keep his snow plow and wrecker boom on the property provided it is kept in an orderly fashion. Also, it was recommended that all debris and rubbish be placed inside the burned out structure, secure the structure and have it demolished. Two vehicles are to be stored inside the garage and one vehicle may remain outside. Chairman Feeg moved to continue this discussion at the next BOS Regular meeting in July. Following a seconded by Supervisor Brown the motion passed on the following roll call vote:

Feeg	- Yes	Love	- Yes
Brown	- Yes	Deeds	- Yes
Smith	- No		

O'Byrne / 130 Timber Ridge Road Complaint – Mr. Boulanger reported 3 vehicles have been removed & the temporary garages will be removed; 2 vehicles will be moved to Delaware & 2 vehicles will be inspected. Following discussion, it was determined that the progress being made is insufficient; Chairman Feeg made a motion authorizing Mr. Boulanger to issue a citation immediately which will be withdrawn if completed. Supervisor Smith seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Conrad – Mr. Boulanger reported there was a hearing before DJ Glass on June 16, 2011. DJ Glass decided to allow Mr. Conrad 60 days before rendering his decision. Mr. Boulanger and Mr. Conrad are to report back to DJ Glass in 30 days with the progress.

Jenson - Mr. Boulanger reported that Mr. Jenson has applied for a permit, but needs to supply KCS with information on square footage of the detached garage; he is cleaning up the property and making progress.

Authorization to Advertise Seasonal Bids – Seasonal Bids for 2011-2012 will be advertised.

Authorization to Advertise Sale of Equipment – Supervisor Brown moved to authorize the sale of the following equipment with minimum bid; following a second by Supervisor Deeds the motion passed unanimously.

- 1981 244 International Mower – \$3,200.00
- 1987 550-B Ford Backhoe - \$2,000.00
- 1986 GMC Dump Truck w/Plow- \$1,500.00
- 1983 GMC Dump Truck w/Plow – 500.00
- Fixed Highway Plow & Frame – Make Offer

Discussed Bids for 2002 Sterling Truck – Waiting for prices for a plow and spreader.

POLICE

Chief Phillips presented the RT with a \$500.00 check from Sensient Technologies for the efforts and overtime for police action arresting people stealing copper from the plant. He reviewed Fire Companies and Police requirements for new radios. Also, he will ask the road crew to clear out the area at the Firing Range; Dyer Quarry will donate the stone.

CITIZENS CONCERNS

Harold Steve brought up the subject of RT passing an ordinance for hours of limitation at public recreation facilities. The Schuylkill Greenway Trail regulation, which limits the hours for all recreation facilities, was discussed. Solicitor Hartman stated according to the 2nd Class Township Code, if the recreational facilities are

publicly owned, RT could enact an ordinance mirroring the regulation of the use of the Thun Trail in accordance with the posted rules and regulation of the Schuylkill Greenways. At the present time, there are no signs posted in RT. It was decided to ask the Trail Representative and the P&R Board to meet with the BOS at the July workshop regarding the signage. The BOS made the decision to request Schuylkill Greenway Association to post all intersections & gates nearest and in Robeson Township. Chief Phillips stated that if the trail ordinance is passed with the trails regulations and the trails are posted he could enforce them under current state codes.

Supervisor Deeds stated that a leak from the Turkey Hill on SR10 has gone into the Green Hills Lake and has seeped down 60 - 100 feet underground. Engineer Kraft responded that the Environment Company is working with KCS for permitting & DEP is investigating the leak. It was requested that RT receive copies of reports.

APPROVAL PAYMENT OF BILLS

Supervisor Smith made a motion to approve the payment of April 16 – May 13, 2011 bills. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Deeds and passed on a roll call vote:

Feeg	- Yes abstained reimbursement check	Love	- Yes
Brown	- Yes	Deed	- Yes abstained Green Hills Equipment, LLC
Smith	- Yes		

APPROVE MINUTES

Minutes of the Supervisors Workshop of May 12, 2011, Regular Meeting of May 19, 2011 & Special Meeting of May 24, 2011 were reviewed and unanimously approved upon a motion by Supervisor Smith that was seconded by Supervisor Deeds.

APPROVAL OF REPORTS FOR MAY 2011

Supervisor Deeds made a motion to approve the reports from May 2011 as well as the FC reports that were received. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Smith and passed unanimously.

PLANNING & ENGINEERING

Gibraltar Park Parking Lot – Engineer Kraft requested the release of the withheld funds for the Gibraltar Park Parking Lot and 8 Boonetown Road drain invoices; these were approved with the bills for approval.

Award 2011 Roadwork Projects – Engineer Kraft reviewed the 2011 Roadwork Project bids; EJB Paving was awarded the base bid without the alternate on a motion by Supervisor Love that was seconded by Supervisor Deeds.

Cedar Hill Estates Subdivision – Preliminary – waiver request – Cedar Hill has requested a waiver for the height of the Basins. The Planning Commission recommended that the waiver be approved subject to providing landscaping around the more visible locations. The waiver was granted on a motion by Supervisor Deeds, seconded by Supervisor Smith and passed unanimously.

Plan Time Extensions Expiring 6/30/2011 - Mr. Kraft reported that the PC recommended approval A motion was made by Supervisor Deeds; seconded by Supervisor Smith and passed unanimously.

Berks County Conservation District – Action regarding consideration of the new draft MOU was tabled.

Bridge Notices from STV / PennDOT - The road crew will do repairs to Old River Road Bridge and Gunhart Road Bridge. The Seton Road bridge; PennDOT has provided as an alternative, splices of the parfaits and sealing of the cracks of two fascia beams. Engineer Kraft received an estimate of \$30,000.00 from a contractor who is doing similar work to another bridge. Mr. Deeds made a motion to authorize Engineer Kraft to apply for the permits for the bridge repairs and to advertise for bids to repair the Seton Road Bridge. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Love and passed unanimously.

SOLITIOR

Mr. Hartman presented the revised draft of Ordinance #2011-04, Establish Regulations – Removing Nuisance or Unsafe Structures; §1, ¶1 General, by adding to the end of section language the appointed Code Enforcement Official of Township of Robeson shall enforce the provisions of this ordinance at the direction of the BOS . The Code Enforcement Official will have to come to the BOS before taking action. Supervisor Love moved to authorize advertisement of Ordinance; seconded by Supervisor Smith and passed unanimously.

Engineer Kraft suggested the BOS consider revising the current Ordinances that are in effect for junked automobiles and rubbish (Ordinances #84-21 & #99-01). Chairman Feeg made a motion to authorize Solicitor Hartman to redraft the Junk Yard Ordinance to not require the hearing. Supervisor Smith seconded the motion and passed unanimously.

OTHER

Adopt Resolution #11-10 Creating Line Item #437-273 (2002 Sterling Truck) – The BOS unanimously adopted the resolution upon a motion by Supervisor Deeds that was seconded by Supervisor Smith.

Adopt Resolution #11-11 Appoint 2nd Alternate to Chester County Tax Committee (Amends Resolution #09-15) - The BOS unanimously adopted the resolution upon a motion by Supervisor Deeds that was seconded by Supervisor Smith to appoint Geraldine Sensenig as 2nd Alternate to Chester County Tax Committee.

Adopt Resolution #11-12 Creating Line Item #429-206 Chapter 302 Annual Service Fee - The BOS unanimously adopted the resolution upon a motion by Supervisor Deeds that was seconded by Supervisor Smith.

Approve Junk Yard License Renewals (Pending receipt of annual renewal fee) - Supervisor Deeds made the motion to approve the renewals. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Smith and passed unanimously.

Authorize Kathy Farrell to Attend Municipal Work Injuries on July 14th in Exton, PA - Supervisor Smith made the motion. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Love and passed unanimously.

Authorize Kathy Farrell, Colleen Easterday, Gerri Sensenig & Manager Keim to attend SharePoint Training (Free) - Supervisor Brown made the motion. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Smith and passed unanimously.

Bids for Robeson Township Administrative Office Building (8 Boonetown Road) – Manager Keim presented the flag pole bids. Supervisor Smith made a motion to award the bid to Flagg Shoppe. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Deeds and passed unanimously.

Mr. Keim had received only one bid for the sign. He is waiting for two other bids. This item was tabled until next month.

Manager Keim discussed the three doors bids. Supervisor Deeds made a motion to accept Shank Door / Brecknock Builders bid to tear down, make opening bigger and replace with 15 foot doors with the commitment to complete in one step. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Smith and passed unanimously.

Manager Keim reported that he received only one bid for the new 100 amp subpanel for the new garage. He is getting additional bids. Also, he wants to get quotes to change the carpet to floor tile in the vestibule and RM office. Sensient will donate some office furniture & Mr. Keim would like direction from the BOS to send a letter re donation of furniture. Supervisor Deeds made a motion for Manager Keim to contact Sensient to get donated furniture. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Smith and passed unanimously.

Supervisor Smith made a motion to authorize new desks and chairs for 8 Boonetown Road, not to exceed \$3,999.00. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Deeds and passed unanimously.

Supervisor Deeds made a motion as a general authorization for telephone work & cleaning floors (ie, carpet) not to exceed \$4,000.00 each. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Smith and passed unanimously.

Dry-Vit bids (3) for Robeson Township Municipal Building (2689 Main Street) were received but were all over \$4,000.00. Manager Keim is to get bids in writing for the July meeting.

The meeting recessed at 10:15PM for Executive Session; reconvened at 10:38PM and adjourned @ 10:38PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Geraldine Sensenig,
Asst. Recording Secretary