

ROBESON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
July 19, 2011

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Robeson Township was called to order by Vice-Chairman Love at 7:00PM prevailing time. The meeting took place in the Robeson Township Municipal Building located on Route 724 in Gibraltar, Berks County, Pennsylvania. Chairman Feeg was in attendance via telephone & Supervisor Smith was absent. Also present were Solicitor Beth Auman, Engineer Gary Kraft, Police Chief Mark T. Phillips, Road Crew Leader William Lanza & Manager Thomas C. Keim.

Pledge to the Flag and Moment of Silence

APPROVAL PAYMENT OF BILLS

Vice-Chair Love moved to pay bills for the period of June 18, 2011 thru July 15, 2011. Following a second by Supervisor Deeds, the motion passed on the following roll call vote:

Feeg	- Yes	Love	- Yes
Brown	- Yes	Deeds	- Yes; abstained on Green Hills Equipment, LLC

ROADS, CODES & PUBLIC PROPERTY

Award Equipment Bids – The bids were read as follows:

EQUIPMENT	MINIMUM BID	BIDDER	AMOUNT BID	AWARDED
1981 244 International Mower	\$3,200.00	N/A	N/A	READVERTISE
1987 550-B Ford Backhoe	\$2,000.00	Atwood Const.	\$2,106.00	YES
1986 GMC Dump Truck w/Plow	\$1,500.00	N/A	N/A	READVERTISE
1983 GMC Dump Truck w/Plow	\$500.00	Atwood Const.	\$502.00	NO
		Willow Spring Bldrs.	\$678.00	YES
Fixed Highway Plow & Frame	Make Offer	Atwood Const.	\$40.00	YES

Vice-Chair Love moved to award the bids as shown above; following a second by Supervisor Brown, the motion passed on the following roll call vote:

Feeg	- Yes	Love	- Yes
Brown	- Yes	Deeds	- Yes, abstained on 1983 truck award.

Authorize Re-Advertisement of Equipment - Vice-Chair Love moved to re-advertise the equipment as shown above; following a second by Supervisor Deeds, the motion passed unanimously.

Reaffirm Advertisement of Seasonal Bids - Vice-Chair Love moved to reaffirm the advertisement; following a second by Supervisor Brown, the motion passed unanimously.

Award Seasonal Bids – The bids were read as follows:

SEASONAL BID RESULTS FOR 2011

MATERIAL	DYER QUARRY	MARTIN LIMESTONE	BURKHOLDER PAVING	AWARDED
Anti-Skid Type 3	No Bid	\$8.90 p/ton pick up \$12.82 p/ton delivered	No Bid	YES
2A Aggregate	\$4.00 p/ton pick up \$4.18 p/ton delivered	No Bid	No Bid	YES
UPM Cold Patch	No Bid	No Bid	\$120.00 - REJECTED	READVERTISE
Asphalt Sealant	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	READVERTISE
Tack coat	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	READVERTISE

Supervisor Deeds moved to award the bids & to re-advertise as above; following a second by Vice-Chair Love, the motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Feeg was excused from the meeting.

Review Bids - Plow Set-Up for Sterling Truck – Preliminary quotes were reviewed. Mr. Lanza was directed to continue seeking information / bids.

Joe Boulanger of Kraft Code Services to Report on Property Complaints – Mr. Boulanger reported on the following property complaints:

- 130 Timber Ridge Road – in compliance; considered closed
- 174 Seyfert Drive – significant progress has been made; Tyvek wrap has been secured around the structure. Mr. Boulanger suggested “no trespassing” signs be placed on the property.
- 1657 Cocalico Road – property has been foreclosed; some vehicles have been removed and there is a lot of debris outside. Mr. Boulanger will check the property again at the end of the week.
- Old River Road / Robeson Lawn Drive – to date the owner has mowed the grass; no other progress has been made. This case will be before District Justice Glass tomorrow, July 20th.
- 3 more complaints have been filed and are in the process of being addressed.

POLICE

Chief Phillips reported he received a call from Triangle Communications; estimates to narrowband will be forthcoming. A key to the repeater site has been acquired and TC will be evaluating the site.

Also, the new Police Department vehicle should be available during the last week of July; lights have been ordered. The Gibraltar Fire Company carnival is this week; Chief Phillips is working with traffic control coordination and parking will be addressed with Greg Moll, Gibraltar Fire Police.

CITIZENS CONCERNS

Dave Wolfe thanked the BOS for their assistance with the reduction of the speed limit (40 MPH to 35 MPH) in Gibraltar between Green Hills Road and Gibraltar Road.

A resident inquired about signs that were requested for Westley & Golf Course Roads; the signs have been approved and ordered.

APPROVE MINUTES

Minutes of the Supervisors Workshop of June 16, 2011 & Regular Meeting of June 21, 2011 were reviewed and unanimously approved upon a motion by Supervisor Deeds that was seconded by Vice-Chair Love.

APPROVAL OF REPORTS FOR JUNE 2011

The Treasurer's Summary/Report, Sewer Report, Road & Building Reports & Police Report were reviewed and approved upon a motion by Supervisor Deeds and seconded by Supervisor Brown. It was duly noted the Fire Reports from Geigertown FC for June 2011 and the Fire Reports for Gibraltar FC from November 2010 thru June 2011 have not been submitted.

Supervisor Deeds moved to erect Hearing Impaired Person signs near 3501 Plow Road. Following a second by Vice-Chair Love, the motion passed unanimously.

PLANNING & ENGINEERING

FEMA Draft Floodplain Management Ordinance – Vice-Chair Love moved to submit the draft Ordinance to the individual agencies subject to the revision of “inspector must provide 24 hours notice prior to being allowed on property.” Following a second by Supervisor Deeds, the motion passed unanimously.

Cedar Hill Estates – Cedar Hill Road intersection HOP Plans – Supervisor Deeds moved to authorize execution of the application to send to PennDOT; following a second by Vice-Chair Love, the motion passed unanimously.

Plan Time Extension (thru 9/30/2011) - Green Hills Subdivision which expires 7/31/11 was unanimously approved upon a motion by Supervisor Deeds that was seconded by Vice-Chair Love.

Reaffirm Bertsch Subdivision Plan – Engineer Kraft reported this plan was previously conditionally approved in March 2011 subject to access agreements for the adjoining property being recorded; completed. The plan was unanimously reaffirmed upon a motion by Supervisor Deeds that was seconded by Vice-Chair Love.

SOLICITOR

Item 2E of the Agenda – **Flagging Company to Assist w/Grading** – Manager Keim stated a contract has been received from an agency at a rate of \$16.22 per hour. Supervisor Deeds moved to authorize

Manager Keim to hire a flagging crew at his discretion as necessary pending Teamsters approval. Following a second by Vice-Chair Love, the motion passed unanimously.

Adopt Ordinance #11-04 Establishing Regulations – Removing Nuisance or Unsafe Structures – Supervisor Deeds moved to adopt the Ordinance; following a second by Vice-Chair Love, the motion passed unanimously.

A Holding Tank Agreement for William Yoder of 632 Cold Run Road was presented to the BOS by Berks Envirotech for approval. Following a brief discussion, the Agreement was unanimously approved upon a motion by Supervisor Deeds that was seconded by Supervisor Brown.

Authorize Inclusion of Draft OLDS Ordinance w/Township Act 537 Submission to DEP – Allen Madeira & Cindy Hix of Berks Envirotech discussed at length the draft Ordinance which must be submitted by March 2012. The BOS reviewed the draft Ordinance and some minor adjustments will be made and presented at the August 11th BOS Workshop.

OTHER

Stericycle – Manager Keim explained the overpayment of “host fees” to Robeson Township; the overpayment will be repaid as a deduction of “host fee” payments in increments of \$1,000.00 over 7 quarterly payment periods. Also, the amount of overpayment is \$14,000.00 however Stericycle has agreed to cut that in half making the repayment \$7,000.00.

Approve Request for Release of Funds from Friendship FC (Geigertown) – Supervisor Deeds moved to authorize the release of $\frac{1}{3}$ of the annual donation of \$50,000.00. Following a second by Vice-Chair Love, the motion passed unanimously.

Update re Boonetown Road – Manager Keim stated he has received 4 bids for 100-amp sub-panel, flag pole & lights. C&H Electric was the low bidder by quote. Supervisor Deeds moved to authorize electrical work to be done by C&H at a cost not to exceed \$4,000.00. Following a second by Vice-Chair Love, the motion passed unanimously.

Supervisor Deeds moved to authorize Manager Keim to have either commercial grade linoleum or vinyl black tile, whichever is cheaper, at a cost not to exceed \$3,000.00 for the Road Master’s office and hallway. Following a second by Vice-Chair Love, the motion passed unanimously.

Supervisor Deeds moved to accept the bid from Massie Sign & Art at a cost of \$700.00. Following a second by Vice-Chair Love, the motion passed unanimously.

The BOS recessed to **Executive Session** @ 9:30PM upon a motion by Supervisor Deeds that was seconded by Vice-Chair Love; reconvened @ 10:10PM.

Supervisor Deeds moved to authorize the Solicitor of the Municipal Authority to attend the GAJA meetings. Following a second by Vice-Chair Love, the motion passed unanimously.

There being no further business, the BOS unanimously adjourned @ 10:10PM upon a motion by Supervisor Deeds that was seconded by Supervisor Brown.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kathleen C. Farrell,
Recording Secretary