

ROBESON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
May 15, 2012

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Robeson Township was called to order by Chairman Feeg at 7:06pm prevailing time. The meeting took place in the Robeson Township Public Meeting Room located at 2689 Main Street, (Route 724) in Gibraltar, Berks County, Pennsylvania. The following members of the Board were present: Supervisors Brown & Smith; Supervisor Love joined the meeting at 7:10PM, Supervisor Deeds was absent from the meeting. Also in attendance were Engineer Gary Kraft, Solicitor Christopher Hartman, Chief of Police Mark T. Phillips, Road Master David Wicklein, Crew Leader Billy Lanza, and Manager Thomas C. Keim.

Pledge to the Flag and Moment of Silence

ROADS, CODES & PUBLIC PROPERTY

Award Bid for Repairs to Gunhart Road Bridge – The bids received were from Levan Excavating for \$8,600.00 and Opperman for \$9,800. Supervisor Smith made a motion to award the bid to Levan with the approval to spend up to \$9,800.00 to meet any additional repairs to the beams mandated by the PennDOT Bridge Inspector. Chairman Feeg seconded the motion and passed unanimously. RM Wicklein stated that after an inspection on May 14, 2012 it was found that a flange had deteriorated since last year's inspection.

RM Wicklein reported that the Evergreen Bridge deck is deteriorating and needs more steel plates. The subject will be discussed at the June 14th workshop.

Discuss Old Boonetown Road Maintenance (from Workshop/Mr. Matz request) - RM Wicklein reported to resurface 264 feet of the Old River Road end of Boonetown Road with approximately 84 to 86 tons of asphalt will cost approximately \$4,700.00. The Road Master and Engineer are to rate the road and bring it back in front of the Board at next month's meeting to see where it falls and then decide what can be done to reduce the residents concerns.

The Road Master and Engineer are to look at driveways on Golf Course Road at the Pheasant Farm.

POLICE

Review the Approved March 2012 Workshop Minutes as request (at BOS Workshop on 5/10/12)

Supervisor Smith made a motion to amend the March 2012 minutes to read "The Robeson Township Police Officer did not personally know the individual who did not come out of the house voluntarily but was taken into custody on a 302 commitment." Supervisor Love seconded the motion and on a roll call all said yes.

Sunday May 27, 2012 the Charlie Horse run will be held. The organizer Charles Crowell wanted the police department and the BOS to be informed.

CORRESPONDENCE

Consider Donation re TSA Request – Reviewed with the Board decision not to contribute.

Review PennDOT Letter re Local Bridge Inspection – Supervisor Smith made a motion to choose Option 1 from Bridge Inspection repayment and authorized the Township Manager to execute the contract. Chairman Feeg seconded the motion and on a roll call passed unanimously.

Exeter Business Community Breakfast – Letter received from Exeter Township announcing a community breakfast on June 5, 2012 at the Reading Country Club. Cost is \$7.00 per person.

PA Stormwater Coalition Meeting on 5/24/12 – The Stormwater Coalition general meeting to be held Thursday May 24, 2012. Engineer Kraft will be attending.

CITIZENS CONCERNS

Mr. Whyte asked about the condition rating of Overlook Road.

David Delong expressed concerns about the Act 13 new legislation in relation to local zoning. Mr. Delong will leave copies of information for the supervisors to review.

APPROVE PAYMENT OF BILLS

Supervisor Smith moved to pay bills for the period of April 14, 2012 thru May 11, 2012. Following a second by Supervisor Love, the motion passed on a roll call.

Smith yes
Feeg yes
Love abstained
Brown yes

MINUTES

Minutes of the Supervisors Workshop of April 14, 2012 and Regular Meeting of April 17, 2012 were reviewed and approved upon a motion by Supervisor Smith that was seconded by Chairman Love and passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF REPORTS

The Treasurer's Summary, Sewer, Road & Building, & Police Reports for the month of April 2012 were reviewed and approved upon a motion by Supervisor Smith that was seconded by Chairman Feeg. It was duly noted that no reports were available for the Gibraltar Fire Company.

PLANNING & ENGINEERING

Review RAWA Variance Application – The Board agreed to let the ZHB arrive at their own conclusion.

Plan time extensions (thru 9/30/12) Weaver Orchard (P/F) expires 6/3/12 – Supervisor Smith made a motion to extend the time extension through September. Supervisor Love seconded the motion the motion passed unanimously on a roll call.

Review Report on Frontage Improvements –Supervisor Smith moved to rescind last month's decision on frontage paving and handle frontage improvement requirements by waiver. Following a second by Supervisor Love, the motion passed unanimously.

SOLICITOR

Review Berks County Emergency Response Project. – Solicitor Hartman stated that he is unclear how the County will handle the costs; either promissory note or lease. He will ask the County to clarify cost to Township.

Review Proposed Street Opening Ordinance – Road opening ordinance to be re-reviewed next month with the revisions to include boring under the right of way.

OTHER

Ratify Decision to Lift Burn Ban –Supervisor Smith made the motion to lift the Burn Ban and the motion was seconded by Supervisor Love and passed unanimously.

Authorize Kathy Farrell to Attend Regional PMHIC Meeting in Litiz – Chairman Feeg made the motion seconded by Supervisor Love and passed unanimously.

Authorize Participation in Webinar – Understanding the Sunshine Law (\$40.00) – Supervisor Smith made the motion seconded by Supervisor Love and passed unanimously.

UST Operator Training – Supervisor Brown made a motion to expend \$175.00 per person to provide training for underground storage tank operator training requirement on May 31, 2012 as needed to meet state requirements under further investigation of certification A&B. Supervisor Smith seconded the motion and passed unanimously.

Flood Inundation Map - Supervisor Brown shared the Lake Ontelaunee Flood Inundation Map with the Board and audience.

The BOS unanimously recessed to Executive Session at 9:12PM. The BOS unanimously reconvened at 9:55PM.

There being no further business before the BOS, the meeting was unanimously adjourned at 9:57PM upon a motion by Supervisor Smith that was seconded by Supervisor Love.

Respectfully Submitted,
Geraldine E. Sensenig,
Asst. Recording Secretary