

ROBESON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
June 19, 2013

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Robeson Township was called to order by Chairman Feeg at 7:01PM prevailing time. The BOS recessed at 7:02 for an executive session, to discuss personnel matters. The meeting took place in the Robeson Township Public Meeting Room located at 2689 Main Street, (SR724) in Gibraltar, Berks County, Pennsylvania. The following members of the Board were present: Supervisors Brown, Love, Smith & Deeds. Also in attendance were Solicitor Christopher J. Hartman, Township Engineer Gary Kraft, Chief of Police Mark T. Phillips, Crew Leader Billy Lanza, & Manager Thomas C. Keim, Codes Officer Joe Boulanger. The BOS reconvened at 7:17 P.M.

Pledge to the Flag and Moment of Silence

ROADS, CODES PUBLIC PROPERTY

Robeson Elementary Project / Milling Project- Supervisor Love made a motion seconded by Supervisor Deeds to allow the road crew to assist Berks Conservancy and Twin Valley School District on a water infiltration project. The motion passed unanimously on a roll call

Evergreen Bridge Project: Letter of refusal by the surrounding homeowners, rejecting the Road Bypass Project was read by Solicitor Hartman. Supervisor Deeds moved to direct Engineer Kraft and Manager Keim to investigate bridge alternatives, seconded by Supervisor Love. The motion passed unanimously on a roll call.

Old River Road / Bridge: Supervisor Deeds moved to temporarily close the bridge for repairs, seconded by Supervisor Smith. The motion passed unanimously on a roll call.

Trash Pump: Supervisor Deeds moved to allow the Road Crew to purchase a trash pump for the best price, Seconded by Supervisor Smith. The motion passed unanimously on a roll call.

Hanna Kurtz Road: Crew Leader Lanza requested to purchase two "Children at Play" signs to be placed on Hanna Kurtz Road. Supervisor Deeds motioned to make the purchase, seconded by Supervisor Smith. The motion passed unanimously on a roll call.

The meeting was taken out of order:

Police:

Supervisor Brown moved to accept the volunteer resignation of Officer Frederick S. Heck and accept the agreement between Robeson Township and former Officer Heck, seconded by Supervisor Love. The motion passed on a roll call, Supervisor Deeds, yes, Supervisor Smith, yes, Supervisor, Love, yes. Chairman Feeg abstained due to his position as Liaison between the township and police department.

Chief Phillips questioned Attorney Hartman about an incident on Osprey Lane, being a resident hosting a party with two (2) live bands and having intoxicated persons in the neighborhood. The party was advertized on the internet, requesting a twenty (\$20) dollar donation and a BYOB. An assault also occurred between persons attending the party, causing officers away from patrolling to process the assault. Chief Phillips stated, it seems to be an annual affair. Solicitor Hartman stated, "It sounds like a possible zoning violation. Supervisor Brown moved to authorize the Solicitor, the Zoning Officer and Chief Phillips to evaluate the issue and inform the resident of any violations, seconded by Supervisor Smith. The motion passed unanimously on a roll call.

Continuation of Agenda:

Plow Road / Driveway Issues: Chairman Feeg moved to allow the Road Crew to fix the issues with the driveways and shoulders, as a result of paving the roadway, seconded by Supervisor Love. The motion passed unanimously on a roll call.

3222 Plow Road: Property owner has altered the entrance way to the property, creating water issues to neighboring residents. Supervisor Deeds moved to have the solicitor notify the property owners that they are in violation of Pa. 2nd Class Township Code #2323, pursuant to driveways.

Request from Union Township: request is to have a cooperative agreement relative to the sharing of equipment. Supervisor Smith moved to direct Manager Keim to set up a meeting to discuss the action, seconded by Supervisor Deeds. The motion passed unanimously on a roll call.

Request from Municipal Authority: same requests the township to evaluate and possibly fix a storage shed at the plant. No motion was made.

Report from Codes Official: Joe Boulanger requested a letter of violation be sent to Mr. Stankiewicz. Supervisor Deeds moved to have the codes officer send a letter of violation, with a hearing to be scheduled for the August regular meeting, seconded by Supervisor Smith. The motion passed unanimously on a roll call. Mr. Boulanger updated the board on the riding of dirt bikes in the Oakbrook Development, advising the neighbors provided him with an agreement to deliver to Mr. Terry.

CORRESPONDENCE

Keystone Collections: Manager Keim informed the board collections are behind by \$72,000.00.

Seisler Machine Corp (Feinsot Taxes): The Township received a letter from Brecknock Twp. agreeing that the said business is located in Robeson Township. Chairman Feeg moved to direct Solicitor Hartman to contact the Berks County Assessment Office to change the tax records to show taxes are to be paid to Robeson Township.

Request from Union Township: to have the Southern Berks Joint Comprehensive Plan reviewed. Manager Keim will alternate with Supervisors Smith and Brown for the meetings. William Meister will be asked to continue his interaction with the meetings.

Intermunicipal Agreement w/ City of Reading: Chairman Feeg moved to have Solicitor Hartman prepare an ordinance to approve a new IMA with the city of Reading to be advertized for the meeting immediately following the approval of the IMA by the Cumru Township Board of Commissioners, seconded by Supervisor Love. The motion passed unanimously on a roll call.

CITIZENS CONCERNS

Harold Steve asked questions relative to the Opperman subdivision unfinished municipal improvements. Solicitor Hartman advised he wishes to discuss the issue in an executive session and he will respond to Mr. Steve afterward.

APPROVE PAYMENT OF BILLS

Supervisor Deeds moved to pay bills for the period of February 16, 2013 thru March 15, 2013. Following a second by Supervisor Smith, the motion passed unanimously on a roll call.

MINUTES

Minutes of the Supervisors, Workshop of May 16, 2013, & Regular Meeting of May 22, 2013 were reviewed and approved upon a motion by Supervisor Smith seconded by Supervisor Deeds. The motion passed unanimously on a roll call.

APPROVAL OF REPORTS

The Treasurer's Summary, Sewer, Road & Building Report unavailable, Police, includes Updated April 2013 Report, Gibraltar FC – No Reports for November & December 2011 & May 2013, Friendship FC No Report for May 2013 were reviewed and upon a motion by Supervisor Deeds, seconded by Supervisor Smith. The motion passed unanimously on a roll call.

PLANNING & ENGINEERING**Plan time extensions** (thru 6/30/13) all expire 3/31/13 (all received)

Park View Estates Sub (P)	Parkside Subdivision (P)	Beaver Run Sub (P)
Burkhart Subdivision (P/F)	Cedar Hill Estates Ph 1 (F)	Gordon Subdivision (P/F)
Gibraltar Estates (P)	Quaker Ridge V Sub (F)	Feinsot LD (P)
Durnall Subdivision (P))		

Supervisor Deeds moved to grant the time extensions, seconded by Supervisor Smith. The motion passed unanimously on a roll call

Weavers Orchard: Supervisor Deeds moved to accept the withdrawal of the plan, seconded by Supervisor Smith. The motion passed unanimously on a roll call.

SOLICITOR

Review & Consider Advertisement of Ordinance #13-01 re Abandoned Vehicles: Chairman Feeg moved to advertise for adoption after revision, at the August Board of Supervisors Meeting, seconded by Supervisor Love. The motion passed unanimously on a roll call.

Review & Consider Advertisement of Ordinance #13-02 re Act 90 (Neighborhood Blight Reclamation): Ordinance was discussed. The Board of Supervisors asked the Sewer Authority to further discuss the ordinance and to adjust it for Robeson Township.

OTHER

Approve Junkyard licenses: Supervisor Deeds moved to approved junkyard licenses for Huyett's Garage and Hillside Junkyard, seconded by Supervisor Love. The motion passed unanimously on a roll call.

Executive Session: Chairman Feeg moved to go into executive session at 9:34 P.M.

The BOS reconvened at 10:38

Chairman Feeg moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:505, seconded by Supervisor Deeds. The motion passed unanimously on a roll call.

Respectfully Submitted,
Colleen A Easterday,
Acting Recording Secretary