

ROBESON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
September 17, 2013

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Robeson Township was called to order by Vice-Chairman Love at 7:03pm 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 and Supervisor Deeds. 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

BCPWA Seminar in Oley (N/C) – Supervisor Deeds made a motion to authorize attendance on October 3, 2013 to BCPWA Seminar in Oley motion was seconded by Supervisor Smith and passed unanimously on roll call.

Authorization to seek Snow Plowing Bids – Supervisor Deeds made a motion to authorize to seek snow plowing bids motion was seconded by Supervisor Smith and passed unanimously on roll call.

Authorize Engineer Kraft to Obtain Permit for Pipe on Plow Road - Supervisor Deeds made a motion to authorize Engineer Kraft to obtain permit for pipe on Plow Road motion was seconded by Supervisor Smith and passed unanimously on roll call. Discussion followed regarding the need for a pipe repair on Oak Terrace Drive.

POLICE

Chief Phillips reported Sgt. Cassel resigned from BCERT; Officer Smith will be his replacement. Parking on Church Street – Township to check on existing No Parking ordinance.

CITIZENS CONCERNS

Ron Nye asked about the Keller residence. Supervisor Smith made a motion of have Mr. Boulanger to send a letter to the Keller’s giving them 10 days to remove the unregistered vehicles and clean up the trash and debris on the back of the property. If the property is not cleaned up a hearing will be held at the October meeting motion seconded by Supervisor Deeds and passed unanimously on roll call.

Dave Wolfe complained about the lack of grass cutting ordinance. The Board discussed a weed cutting area solution to work on.

CORRESPONDENCE

Illicit Discharge, Detection & Elimination Program September 24th 7:45AM – Noon (Free) – Supervisor Deeds made a motion to send the Road Master and Crew Leader and one Road Worker to the MS4 Cooperative Education Program motion was seconded by Supervisor Smith and passed unanimously on roll call.

PAFPM Annual Fall Meeting October 23 & 24 (\$110.00 p/p) – no interest

Berks Conservancy Breakfast & / or Lecture November 14th (\$30.00 / \$10.00) – Hold till the November meeting.

Letter of Interest for 1st Alternate Position on Zoning Hearing Board – A letter of interest was not presented to the Board for consideration for the position. Supervisor Smith made a motion to advertise for alternates to the ZHB motion was seconded by Vice Chair Love and passed on a roll call. Supervisor Deed abstained from the vote.

Letter from Sellers Smith Commending Road Crew – Vice-Chairman Love read a letter commending the Road Crew.

FEMA/PEMA Webinar - Vice-Chairman Love made a motion to allow Supervisor Brown to attend webinar on what to do to shorten preparedness was motion seconded by Vice Chair Love and passed on a roll call.

APPROVE PAYMENT OF BILLS

Supervisor Smith moved to pay bills for the period of August 16, 2013 – September 13, 2013. Following a second by Supervisor Deeds, the motion passed on a roll call.

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| Smith | yes | Deeds | yes |
| Love | yes | Brown | yes |

MINUTES

Minutes of the Supervisors Workshop of August 15, 2013 and Regular Meeting of August 20, 2013 were reviewed and approved upon a motion by Supervisor Smith that was seconded by Supervisor Deeds and passed unanimously on roll call.

APPROVAL OF REPORTS

The Treasurer's Summary, Sewer, Road & Building, & Police Reports for the month of August 2013 were reviewed and approved upon a motion by Supervisor Deeds that was seconded by Supervisor Smith passed unanimously on a roll call. It was duly noted that no reports were available for the Gibraltar Fire Company.

PLANNING & ENGINEERING

Breakaway Stables Subdivision – Preliminary / Final – planning modules – conditional approval – Supervisor Deeds made a motion to approve the Breakaway Stables planning modules upon receipt from EnviroTech and review by Kraft Engineering for forwarding to DEP. Supervisor Smith seconded the motion and passed unanimously on a roll call. Supervisor Deeds moved to conditionally approve the plan based on Engineer Kraft review letter and seconded by Supervisor Smith passed unanimously on a roll call.

Burkhart Subdivision – Preliminary / Final Plan – planning modules – Supervisor Deeds made a motion to approve the planning modules for the Burkhart subdivision and seconded by Supervisor Smith and passed unanimously on roll call.

Colona Variance Application – Supervisor Deeds made a motion to recommending approval of the variance; motion seconded by Supervisor Smith and passed unanimously on roll call.

Plan time extensions thru December 31, 2013 (all expire 9/30/2013) – Supervisor Deeds moved to approve all time extensions motion seconded by Supervisor Smith and passed unanimously on roll call.

SOLICITOR

Review DRAFT Ordinance react 90 (Neighborhood Blight Reclamation) – Solicitor Hartman introduced a draft of a version of Act 90 tailored for Robeson Township. Supervisors will review.

Cedar Hill (PUC Docket No. A-2011-2273310) – Solicitor Hartman briefed the Board on Grande's improvements to the Cedar Hill Railroad Crossing. Solicitor Hartman presented a resolution accepting the Deed of Dedication from the Keating's. Supervisor Deeds moved to adopt Resolution accepting the Deed of Dedication from the Keating's motion seconded by Supervisor Smith and passed unanimously on roll call.

OTHER

Adopt MMO Resolution #13-12 - Township Manager Keim asked the Board to adopt Resolution #13-12. Supervisor Deeds moved to adopt Resolution #13-12 seconded by Supervisor Smith and passed unanimously on roll call

Determine 2014 Budget Meeting Dates & Authorize Advertisement - Supervisor Deeds move to advertize October 2, November 6, November 20, December 4 and December 11, 2013 for budget meetings motion seconded by Supervisor Smith and passed unanimously on roll call.

Authorize Supervisor Brown to use old Township Building to conduct FC's Rural Water Supply ISO Tanker Shuttle Drill (to be held 2nd weekend of October) & use Township Project & Screen – Supervisor Deeds moved to allow the FC to use the Township property and use of the projector and screen as long as they get the permission of the property owners down hill motion seconded by Supervisor Smith and passed unanimously on roll call.

The BOS unanimously recessed to Executive Session at 9:13PM. The BOS unanimously reconvened at 10:49PM.

There being no further business before the BOS, the meeting was unanimously adjourned at 10:49PM upon a motion by Supervisor Deeds that was seconded by Supervisor Smith and passed unanimously on a roll call.

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