

ROBESON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
March 18, 2014

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Robeson Township was called to order by Chairman Feeg at 7:00PM prevailing time. The meeting took place in the Robeson Township Public Meeting Room located at 2689 Main Street, in Gibraltar, Berks County, Pennsylvania. The following members of the Board were present: Supervisors Love, Brown, Smith and Deeds. Also in attendance were Solicitor Hartman, Engineer Gary Kraft, Road Master Bill Lanza, Codes Officer Joseph Boulanger & Manager Thomas C. Keim and Chief Phillips

Pledge to the Flag and Moment of Silence

Award 2014 Mowing Contract

Awarded to Thomas Favinger, Supervisor Deeds moved to accept, seconded by Supervisor Brown. The motion passed unanimously.

ROADS, CODES & PUBLIC PROPERTY

Roadmaster Lanza advised of the cutting of Bamboo at Sell, Ridgeway. Engineer Kraft: distributed a road construction work sheet along with a cost estimates, stating this would probably be a four year work project. Engineer Kraft and Roadmaster Lanza will meet to put the projects in order. Codes Officer Joe Boulanger updated the board relative to the abandoned vehicles and burned out home on Seyfert Drive. Joe noted all the vehicles have been removed and he has spoken to the home owner about selling the property as she doesn't have the income to repair the home.

POLICE

Adopt Resolution #14-05 Temporary Closing of Furnace Road - Motion made by Supervisor Smith, seconded by Supervisor Love. The motion passed unanimously.

Pagoda Pacers A.C. - Assistance request for the 17th Annual Charlie Horse Run (refer to Resolution #13-11). Motion made by Supervisor Deeds, seconded by Supervisor Smith. The motion passed unanimously.

K-9 - Officer Smith advised the BOS that the cost associated with the purchase & training of the animal & himself would be \$13,700.00. Insurance for a year would be \$1,162.00. There would be a fee for the ongoing training at a cost of \$500.00 a year. The cost to equip a vehicle with an insert would be \$1,400.00. Officer Smith stated a donation of food for one year has been made and multiple residents & businesses have unofficially pledged donations for the dog and requested authorization to seek additional pledges. Supervisor Smith made a motion, seconded by Chairman Feeg. The motion passed unanimously with Mr. Deeds stating only if they can get funding via donations.

CORRESPONDANCE

Girl Scout Gold Award Request - The BOS directed Kathy Farrell to prepare a letter & certificate to be presented to Karah M. Horbach (as requested in the letter from Joan Hannahoe).

Access Management & the HOP Municipal Portal - Engineer Kraft suggested speaking with Alan Piper for clarification. Same can also be referred to Miller Environmental

CITIZENS CONCERNS

Bob Wilson, a resident on Overlook Road, stated cold patching isn't a permanent fix and asked if Quaker Hill and Overlook Roads are on the work list; he also advised of a drainage issue on Quaker Hill and Overlook Roads.

David Belz, a resident Westley Road, stated we are coming into the motorcycle riding season and asked when street sweeping will begin. Road Master Lanza advised sweeping will begin in the month of May, maybe sooner depending on the weather.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

Supervisor Smith moved to pay bills for the period of February 1, 2014 thru March 1, 2014. Following a second by Supervisor Deeds, the motion passed unanimously. Manager Keim advised current cost of salt purchased is \$20,000.00.

APPROVE MINUTES

No Workshop Meeting, Regular Meeting of February 18, 2014 were reviewed and approved upon a motion by Supervisor Smith seconded by Chairman Feeg. The motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF REPORTS FEBRUARY 2014

The Treasurer's Summary, Sewer, SEO Permit Report, Road / Building Reports, Police Report, Fire Reports – No report submitted from Friendship FC (Geigertown) were reviewed and upon a motion by Supervisor Deeds, seconded by Supervisor Smith. The motion passed unanimously.

PLANNING & ENGINEERING

Joy Graham Planning module review - Engineer Kraft suggested acceptance, Supervisor Deeds made a motion to approve, seconded by Supervisor Smith. The motion passed unanimously.

Plan Time Extensions (thru 06/30/2014)

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

Supervisor Deeds made a motion to approve, seconded by Supervisor Smith. The motion passed unanimously.

Iglar Variance Application Code Officer's review 03/03/2014 - Supervisor Deeds made a motion to approve, seconded by Supervisor Smith. The motion passed unanimously.

Evergreen Road Bridge – Engineer Kraft advised to hire a consultant. Supervisor Deeds made a motion to hire Witman Engineering and Consulting, seconded by Supervisor Smith. The motion passed unanimously. Manager Keim advised there is special fund money available.

SOLICITOR

Evergreen Road Bridge Funding: Solicitor Hartman advised to adopt Resolution #14-06 for \$315,000.00 for the construction of a new bridge. Motion to adopt by Supervisor Deeds seconded by Chairman Feeg. The motion passed unanimously.

MacMinn Subdivision: Solicitor Hartman recommended authorizing Chairman Feeg, to execute the agreement. Supervisor Deeds made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Smith, the motion passed unanimously.

County Radio Use Agreement: Supervisor Deeds moved to sign the agreement. Supervisors Deed, Smith Love and Brown voted yes, Chairman Feeg voted no.

County Board of Election Services-Polling Place Agreement - Supervisor Smith moved to sign the agreement with the provision that item 13 be stricken from the agreement and that the other polling locations be notified about striking item 13, seconded by Supervisor Deeds the motion passed unanimously.

FINANCE/OTHER

Authorize Advertisement of Cleaning Contract (May 1, 2014 – April 30, 2015), Supervisor Smith moved to advertise, seconded by Supervisor Deeds the motion passed unanimously.

Sunoco Pipeline Repair Project: repairs at the Chestnut Hill Road pipe lines. A “no” comment will be returned to them.

Appoint Jeremy Ketterer to the Park & Rec. Board. Supervisor Brown made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Love. The motion passed unanimously.

2013 Recycling Report was filed w/county: Manager Keim explained money distributed is two years behind and the DEP had reduced the grant rewards by 40%.

The BOS recessed to Executive Session at 8:55PM. The BOS reconvened at ____PM.

Chairman Feeg moved to approve the non-uniform employee's contract as presented including retroactive pay to start 01/01/2014, seconded by Supervisor Smith, the motion passed unanimously.

Supervisor Smith, moved to make administrative assistant Kathy Farrell's compensation retroactive to 01/01/2014 to match the teamsters contract, seconded by Chairman Feeg, the motion passed unanimously.

There being no further business before the BOS, Supervisor Smith moved to adjourn the meeting @ 9:55PM, seconded by Chairman Feeg, the motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

____ Approved

Colleen A. Easterday,
Acting Recording Secretary

____ Approved as Amended

Roger K. Feeg,
BOS Chairman