

CONEWAGO TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
FEBRUARY 2, 2009

The meeting of the Board of Supervisors was held at the Township Municipal Building. The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, at 7:00 P. M. Those in attendance were Lois Leonard (Chairperson), Robert Hahn (Vice-Chairman), John Baranski (Solicitor), Jeff Shue (Engineer) and Lou Anne Bostic, (Secretary).

Pledge of Allegiance:

Approval of Agenda: Motion by Mr. Hahn, second by Ms Leonard, unanimously carried, to approve the agenda as prepared.

Minutes: Motion by Mr. Hahn, second by Ms Leonard, unanimously carried, to approve the previous meeting minutes.

RECOGNITION OF PUBLIC REQUESTS: None

PLANNING & ZONING:

- Highland/Albemarle Preliminary Subdivision Plan. Motion by Mr. Hahn, second by Ms Leonard, unanimously carried, to approve the plan with the following conditions:

E&S approval from York County Conservation District must be provided to township.

PennDot highway occupancy permit must be provided to township.

Storm water approval from the township engineer must be provided to township.

REPORTS:

The following reports were distributed to the Supervisors:

Treasurer's Report, Road Report, Sewer Report and the Building Permit Report. Mr. Hahn requests that the road report include the number of employees doing each specific task. Motion by Mr. Hahn, second by Ms Leonard, unanimously carried, to approve all reports.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE REPORT:

Motion by Mr. Hahn, second by Ms Leonard, unanimously carried, to approve the accounts payable report.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

-Attorney Baranski reported that an ordinance has been drafted for traffic control in the Hunter Creek Development. Motion by Mr. Hahn, second by Ms Leonard, unanimously carried, to authorize the attorney to advertize the ordinance for action at the next meeting. Mr. Baranski provided a written report. (Copy attached)

ENGINEER'S REPORT: Copy attached. Jeff Shue informed the board that the Big Conewago Avenue project has been placed on the CDBG Short List and the Graffius Road sidewalk project was not included in the CDBG projects by York County Planning Commission. Mr. Hahn asked if a road tour is necessary this year. The 2009 Bremer Road project will deplete the entire road budget a road tour is not planned. Mr. Shue presented a Final Payment request for the 2008 road improvements from Kinsley. The total amount due is \$4533.00. Motion by Mr. Hahn, second by Ms Leonard, unanimously carried, to approve the final payment. Motion by Mr. Hahn, second by Ms Leonard, unanimously carried, to approve the engineer's report.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

-Resolution 2009-02, establishing pay dates for 2009. Motion by Mr. Hahn to adopt. Motion died due to lack of second. Ms Leonard is not in favor of paying the employees on the same day as they are working

during the current period. Motion by Mr. Hahn, second by Ms Leonard, unanimously carried, to approve the Monday after the completed work week as the pay date for 2009, until another way can be worked out with the payroll computer program. Mr. Hahn does not feel that a resolution is necessary to set payroll dates.

-Resolution 2009-08, appointing a public accountant to examine the 2008 township accounts. Mr. Hahn is not in favor of appointing Dotzel and Company, however, time restraints prevent the township from obtaining another firm. He wants Dotzel notified of the due date for the auditor's report. (March 10th) The manager will inform them. Motion by Mr. Hahn, second by Ms Leonard, unanimously carried, to adopt resolution 2009-08.

-Resolution 2009-09, adopting a right to know policy for the township. Motion by Mr. Hahn, second by Ms Leonard, unanimously carried, to table the resolution to allow the solicitor to research the addition of a redaction fee.

-Bleacher purchase for Zion View property. Motion by Mr. Hahn, second by Ms Leonard, unanimously carried, to authorize the purchase of bleachers under the COSTARS contract.

- Tax Collector commission. Mr. Hahn made a motion to reduce the tax collector's commission from the current 4% on current and 5% on delinquent bills to a flat yearly commission of \$18,000.00, effective 2010. Ms Leonard is not in favor of the reduction. Abby Latchaw, tax collector, was present to discuss a compromise due to the drastic reduction. Mr. Hahn amended his motion to set the commission on a "per bill" amount as follows:

\$1.00 per each bill sent

\$1.50 per each bill collected, motion was seconded by Ms Leonard and unanimously carried. The commission for bills sent will be paid to the tax collector at the beginning of the year and collected commission will be paid monthly as tax reports are remitted to the township.

- The cub master of Cub Scout Pack 248 has requested a key for the Zion View Community Center. She explained that picking up a key per event is inconvenient. Ms Leonard explained that none of the other organizations that use the building, with the exception of the Zion View Athletic Association, have keys and she is not in favor of them having a key. Motion by Ms Leonard, second by Mr. Hahn, unanimously carried, to deny the request for a key.

-Volleyball court diagram will be tabled until Mr. Jordan is in attendance.

NEW BUSINESS:

-Spring Clean Up. Motion by Mr. Hahn, second by Ms Leonard, unanimously carried, to schedule clean up for May 4th. thru May 9th.

-Mr. Hahn presented a proposal to the board for consideration of an exclusive rubbish hauler. He does not propose to make garbage service mandatory, however, he feels that having a contract with one hauler would save the township residents money. Ms Leonard would like to have the public's input on the service and suggests that it be included in the next newsletter to get feedback from the residents. Mr. Shue informed the board that several other municipalities have recently adopted this option in order to save their residents money and to reduce road damage caused by numerous hauler trucks. Lorreta Wilhide, 120 Witmer Road commented that she agrees with Bob's proposal, but she thinks that reducing waste put into landfills would be good for the township and the country and doesn't think that asking for public input in the newsletter is necessary. Mr. Hahn thinks that putting a notice in the newsletter is a good idea and he will invite the haulers and someone from York County Solid Waste Authority to attend the next meeting to explain the program.

-Mr. Hahn requested that each supervisor have an individual email address posted on the township's website, eliminating the burden of having their individual home computers fall under the new right to know requirements. Any township correspondence would be under the new email addresses and not their personal addresses. Motion by Mr. Hahn, second by Ms Leonard, unanimously carried to assign email addresses. The manager will handle and provide the information to the board.

OTHER BUSINESS:

-Ms Leonard requested an increase in the monthly allotment for the Senior Day event from \$50.00 to \$100.00. Mr. Hahn feels that a new expense account should be set up in the general fund recreation account to provide additional funds. Motion by Mr. Hahn, second by Ms Leonard, unanimously carried, to pay the expenses of senior day out of the recreation rental money.

-Mr. Hahn questioned the York County Commissioner survey that the board received in their mail. The manager forwarded the survey to all three supervisors. Ms Leonard informed Mr. Hahn that she is in favor of him meeting with the manager and completing the survey.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Mr. Hahn, second by Ms Leonard, unanimously carried, to adjourn the meeting at 8:16 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lou Anne Bostic