

CONEWAGO TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
APRIL 6, 2009

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

Pledge of Allegiance:

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

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

RECOGNITION OF PUBLIC REQUESTS:

-James Duncan, 908 Jug Road spoke in opposition to the proposed rubbish hauler ordinance. He stated that the township should leave the policy as is. The board explained that they are not considering making it mandatory and they would not award any contracts if the price would not save the residents money.

Mr. Duncan is also concerned with the recycling costs, container costs and truck traffic on the township roads. The board explained that the recycling along with one large item per week would be included in the cost. The recycling containers are available under a state contract that would pay 75% of the cost.

-Mark Golicher, 100 Mill Run Road, has concerns about service vs price issues if the township uses one hauler.

-Anthony McKenzie, 40 Nursery Lane, has concerns with price. The Autumnwood Development has an exclusive contract which reduces their cost. Mr. Hahn commended the community on their efforts to save costs but would like the entire township to benefit from an exclusive hauler contract. Mr. McKenzie also has concerns with the recycling costs.

-Mark Golicher, 100 Mill Run Road, asked for clarification on "voluntary". He feels that even though the township is not proposing to make the rubbish service mandatory, if a resident wants pick up they would have to use the hauler – making it mandatory if you want rubbish service.

-Ray Thompson, 65 Joshua Drive, requested a rental price reduction for the Zion View Community Center to hold a weekly community bible study. Ms. Leonard explained that the building is currently available, at no charge, to non-profit organizations, during the week only. No weekends. If the site is available on Thursday from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m., Mr. Thompson can schedule the building use. They must pick up the key and return the key with each use and they are responsible for cleaning the facility after use.

-Anthony McKenzie, 40 Nursery Lane, requested that the board consider an ordinance to control animal waste. Mr. McKenzie provided copies of ordinances for the supervisors to review. He feels that the problem is a public safety concern and a nuisance. The board will look into the matter.

-Mark Golicher, 100 Mill Run Road, informed the board that he has animals but agrees that he also sees a problem. Mr. Hahn asked if the Autumnwood Development Home Owners Association addresses animal waste. The association does not address the issue.

-James Chapman, 240 Butter Road, asked how to handle any pre-payments that may have been made to an individual's rubbish hauler. The home owner would be responsible for contacting the hauler to request a refund.

-Mark Golicher, 100 Mill Run Road, requested a copy of the draft rubbish hauler ordinance.

-James Duncan, 980 Jug Road, asked who would be billing the rubbish service. The hauler would be responsible for billing and payments.

-Mark Golicher, 100 Mill Run Road, asked if the township building gets free service with the hauler. Mr. Hahn told him that the township would receive free service.

SEALED BID AWARD:

- Motion by Mr. Hahn, second by Mr. Jordan, unanimously carried, to award the aggregate bid to the low bidder, Codorus Stone. This award does not include anti-skid material.
- Motion by Mr. Hahn, second by Mr. Jordan, unanimously carried, to award the anti-skid bid to the low bidder, York Building.
- Motion by Mr. Jordan, second by Mr. Hahn, unanimously carried, to award the bituminous paving bid to the low bidder, Bituminous Paving.
- Motion by Mr. Hahn, second by Mr. Jordan, unanimously carried, to award the line painting bid to the low bidder, PSX.

PLANNING & ZONING:

- Zoning Ordinance review and recommendations from the board. The board held a public workshop session on March 31st. and presented changes to the map and text of the proposed zoning ordinance. Motion by Mr. Hahn, second by Mr. Jordan, unanimously carried, to authorize the ordinance to be sent to the surrounding municipalities, the Northeastern School District and The York County Planning Commission for the MPC required 45 day review period. The motion is conditioned on corrections from SSM being received by April 15th.

REPORTS:

The following reports were distributed to the Supervisors:
Treasurer's Report, Police Report, Fuel Usage Report, Road Report, Sewer Report and the Building Permit Report. Motion by Mr. Jordan, second by Mr. Hahn, unanimously carried, to approve the reports.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE REPORT:

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

SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

- Attorney Pugh presented a voluntary rubbish hauler ordinance draft to the board. The board will review and comment at the next meeting.
- Strinestown Community Fire Company requested legal advice from the township solicitor regarding a medical assist matter. The township attorney will not give guidance to the Fire Company. The solicitor for the Fire Company should be contacted for advice. Ms Bostic explained that the patient has been moved from the location.

ENGINEER'S REPORT: Copy attached.

- Mr. Shue informed the board of the truck traffic problem on Greenspring Road due to the industrial park. Because the township has only adopted the short portion of Cross Farm Lane and not the main entrance on the Trail, the truck drivers are being routed down Greenspring Road to the gated portion of the park. Mr. Shue will contact Mr. Poole and arrange for a document to adopt the main portion of Cross Farm Lane but keep all responsibility of the road with the developer. A document will be presented for the board's review at the next meeting.
- Mr. Shue also informed the board that he has approved the Greenspring Industrial Park bond reduction requests.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

- Motion by Mr. Hahn, second by Mr. Jordan, unanimously carried, to authorize the advertisement of the 2009 Road Project Sealed Bid Request.

-Motion by Mr. Jordan, second by Mr. Hahn, unanimously carried, to authorize the PennDOT Memorandum of Understanding, utilizing township owned roads for the purpose of establishing a detour. PennDOT anticipates working on the Sheepbridge Road Bridge between March 2010 – June 2010.

OTHER BUSINESS:

-The board did not have any other business to discuss. Ms Leonard opened the floor to the public for comments.

-Carl Fidler, 150 E. Butter Road, asked when the Lewisberry Road bridge will be reopened. Mr. Jordan informed him that this is a PennDOT project and they would need to be contacted for the answer. Mr. Fidler also informed the board of a bad pot hole on Cloverleaf Road. Mr. Jordan informed him that the township public works department will be repairing the hole sometime next week.

-Ms Leonard announced that the board will be holding an executive session, immediately after the meeting, to discuss a legal matter.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Mr. Jordan, second by Mr. Hahn, unanimously carried, to adjourn the meeting at 7:54 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lou Anne Bostic