

**Chanceford Township, York County
Board of Supervisors Regular Meeting
October 8, 2007**

MEETING DAY AND TIME: October 8, 2007

David Gemmill opened the regular meeting of the Chanceford Township Board of Supervisors at 7:00 p.m. in the Community Bldg., 51 Muddy Creek Forks Rd., Brogue, PA. He led those in attendance in the pledge to the flag.

Members present: Chairman David Gemmill, Vice-chairman Eric Bacon, and Henry Tyson.

Others present: Engineer John Klinedinst, Solicitor Timothy Bupp, Secretary-Treasurer Brenda Gohn and Roadmaster Ronald Miller.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Eric Bacon made the motion to approve the 9/25/07 minutes as written. Seconded by David Gemmill, motion carried unanimously.

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT:

Chief Witmer reported that there were ten calls for the month of September and thirty-four total calls for the third quarter.

The fire company attended the October fest at Clearview Elementary School on October 6.

A generator, for which a grant was obtained, has been ordered.

An open house will be held at the firehouse on October 11.

Chief Witmer asked that any calls regarding the double entrapment accident of September 19, 2007 be referred to him.

AMBULANCE REPORT:

Chairman David Gemmill reported that Brogue Ambulance is searching for a replacement for Joni Kauffman. At the present time, they are filling in with EMTs from Memorial Hospital.

SUBDIVISION PLAN FOR REVIEW:

Robert B. & Judy K. Burchett Final Plan #L-5168 – David Gemmill made the motion to table the plan due to the lack of representation. Seconded by Henry Tyson, motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

There being no comments, the floor was closed.

ROADMASTER'S REPORT:

Terre Hill Concrete Products will be tentatively delivering the box culverts for Hively Road on November 1. A pump will be rented at a cost of approximately \$2000.00 and a crane lined up for this project.

Salem Church Road – Roadmaster Miller hauled dirt in leaving a four foot high berm. Mr. Miller feels that this road can now be reopened for the winter. Caution tape

has been put up and reflectors will be put up as well. John Klinedinst suggested that in addition to these precautions, signage such as “No Guiderails” and “Single Lane” should be put up. Paving of the intersection will be completed next spring along with the realigned portion but under a separate contract.

Truck – Roadmaster Miller and Supervisor Tyson looked at a 1995 38GVW Ford Truck (53,000 miles) with an eleven foot mold board plow. David Gemmill made the motion to purchase this truck. Seconded by Henry Tyson, motion carried unanimously.

Selling a loader, 1983 Ford truck and various plows was discussed. The Board decided to keep the loader but sell the truck and plows. The Secretary was directed to advertise these items in the Lancaster Farmer and Delta Star.

ENGINEER’S REPORT:

Fake Road – construction to begin in October.

Act 537 Plan – Jonathan Heilman and George Dillio are in the process of getting things ready to start well testing, bidding and obtaining prices by the beginning of the year.

SOLICITOR’S REPORT:

Tim Bupp reported that the Recreation Board issue regarding the complaints about the Girls Softball coach has been resolved.

BROGUE RECREATION AREA FENCE PAINTING:

The Board will address this issue in the future after the fence has been repaired.

CORRESPONDENCE & OTHER COMMUNICATIONS:

Chairman David Gemmill received a letter from the Lancaster County Conservancy requesting support for the Holtwood Environmental Preserve Project. Henry Tyson made the motion to send a letter of support to the Lancaster County Conservancy to help with their endeavor to secure funding for the protection of land and recreation facilities owned by the Pennsylvania Power and Light Co. in Lancaster and York Counties along the Susquehanna River. Seconded by Eric Bacon, motion carried unanimously.

COMMUNITY BUILDING RENOVATIONS:

Certificates of Substantial Completion were approved and signed for Eshenaurs Fuels Inc. and Orbit Technologies, Inc. to release their retaining and establish the one year warranty period for the project. The motion was made by David Gemmill, seconded by Henry Tyson and carried unanimously.

The Board did not approve the completion certificate for East Coast Contracting until the water problem in front of the ambulance bay doors is resolved. A letter is to be sent to them regarding resolution of this problem.

David Gemmill made the motion to pay Orbit Technologies, Inc. the amount of \$160.00 for the exterior dusk to dawn light fixture that was installed at the community building entrance. Seconded by Eric Bacon, motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

Henry Tyson made the motion to pay all the bills in a manner approved by law. Seconded by Eric Bacon, motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Pitts Dockman approached the Board with comments regarding Chanceford Aviation LLC. Mr. Dockman feels the Township should file a mandamus against the Bureau of Aviation for not enforcing their own regulations. Mr. Dockman feels that a twenty year township administration viewed a grandfathered airport not to be in the same class as an airport that could meet licensing criteria. The airport act itself specifically states that conformities to federal law shall be mandatory. This airport does not meet the requirements of a 250 foot primary surface to be considered a public airport. Mr. Dockman feels a public airport does not legally exist in our township because Section 471.3(e) states the landing area shall meet current licensing criteria. He questioned the legality of the grant. He noted that the Sweigart administration approved the grant but did not disburse the money because they felt it was not a properly licensed airport. Mr. Dockman asked the Board to encourage the Township Solicitor to look at the alternative in a positive light not as the least costly alternative to the township. He feels the township needs to take into consideration the safety and welfare of the township with regards to the location of the Chanceford Elementary School relative to the airport. When asked by the Township Solicitor if he feels the township should condemn the airport, Mr. Dockman's answer was, yes. He informed the Board that he will be filing a taking if an ordinance is adopted. Tim Bupp will review the information submitted by Mr. Dockman and then make comment. Mr. Dockman finalized by asking the Board to look totally at what is best for the township.

Edward Grissinger asked the Board to look into contracting garbage service for the township.

The Board looked at a garbage proposal that North Hopewell has with Penn Waste. The Board will discuss this issue further at the next meeting. The Secretary was asked to obtain information from Tiger Trash regarding the cost of purchasing the current dumpster and from York County Solid Waste Authority regarding purchasing a new one through a grant program.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, David Gemmill made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Eric Bacon, the meeting was adjourned at 8.40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda C. Gohn
Secretary/Treasurer

