Chanceford Township, York County Board of Supervisors Regular Meeting August 11, 2008

MEETING DAY AND TIME: August 11, 2008

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 and Member Bradley Smith.

Members absent: Vice-chairman Eric Bacon.

Others present: Township Engineer Casey Deller, Solicitor Timothy Bupp, Zoning Officer Jeffrey Koons, Assistant Zoning Officer Clifton Baldwin, Secretary-Treasurer Brenda Gohn.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

David Gemmill made the motion to approve the minutes of July 14, 2008 as written. Seconded by Bradley Smith, motion carried.

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT:

Chairman David Gemmill, on behalf of Chief Witmer, reported that there were twenty calls for the month of July.

AMBULANCE CAPTAIN'S REPORT:

Scott Kauffman reported that there were forty-two calls for the month of July. Mr. Kauffman inquired about the status of the new proposed personnel policy with regards to K. Franklin Kiehner (EMT) whose introductory period of ninety days will end September 1. The Board advised Mr. Kauffman that Mr. Kiehner will be given benefits under the current policy.

Todd Shaffer was present to ask for a waiver from Section 72.33(a) of the PA Environmental Code which states that the well isolation distance is to be a minimum of 100 feet from a drain field. Mr. Shaffer's well is only 43 feet from his replacement drain field. Since this is an existing lot with an existing system and not enough lot area, Bradley Smith made the motion to grant the waiver leaving it up to the SEO's discretion whether or not to recommend a type of disinfecting action for the well. Seconded by David Gemmill, motion carried.

The letter of explanation from SEO, Robert Whitmore, will be made part of the minutes.

Susan Druck, on behalf of the Women's Auxiliary of the York County Fiddler's Association, was present to request a Letter of Resolution from the Board stating that this is a "Civic and Service" organization.

Since all proceeds from the fundraisers go to various organizations and scholarships, David Gemmill made the motion to adopt Resolution 2008-6. Seconded by Bradley Smith, motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Jeffrey Heindel inquired about a hardship mobile home near his property on Muddy Creek Forks Road. He asked if the hardship still exists and have the fees been paid. Jeffrey Koons assured Mr. Heindel that it still exists and the fees were paid.

It is noted that the Township lost a good and devoted friend in Dr. Edward Grissinger. He leaves a legacy of dedication and achievements in his service as a leader in many local, state, regional and national activities.

Floor was closed.

ROADMASTER'S REPORT:

The Secretary, on behalf of Ronald Miller, reported the following:

Hively Road Project – has been completed as of August 8, 2008.

Roads Inspection – Roadmaster Miller will be meeting with the Municipal Representative from PennDOT to do a township road inspection.

Various roads will be oiled and chipped starting August 18, 2008.

ZONING OFFICER'S REPORT:

Jeffrey Koons and Clifton Baldwin confirmed that all properties with weed violations have been mowed.

ENGINEER'S REPORT:

Act 537 – Casey Deller reported that the well testing results were received but additional tests are going to be run due to a few possible duplications. C. S. Davidson and the Board will confirm a date to review the results of the well sampling and the conclusions presented in Section I-IV.

Susan Drive – a meeting is scheduled for August 13, 2008 at 9:00 a.m. to discuss what needs to be done to remedy the stormwater management problem.

Brown Cow Pkg. Facility – still waiting on a complete stormwater management plan.

CDBG Applications – York County's tentative 3-year plan includes \$10,000.00 in 2009 for Zoning Ordinance amendments and \$8,000.00 in 2010 for Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance amendments.

Stormwater Management Ordinance – Casey will make recommendations on improving the current Stormwater Management Ordinance. He feels that when a stormwater plan is submitted, it should be more comprehensive for all improvements. Also, it could require a stormwater bond or escrows for new improvements for the first 18 months of inception to confirm the plan does work.

David Gemmill feels there needs to be a way of determining if a stormwater management plan is going to work or not before the plan is implemented and a lot of money spent.

Casey was directed to do research to find out what has and has not worked in the past.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

James Stinchecum – Atty. Bupp made the Board aware that Mr. Stinchecum's case will be coming before the District Magistrate this month.

Frank Shaffer Limited Partnership violation – Atty. Craley filed a brief on behalf of the township. Atty. Bupp will notify the Board when the Commonwealth Court makes a decision on this case.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

David Gemmill reported that the Board held an executive session in the past month to meet with a representative of Chanceford Aviation to discuss their pending litigation.

NEW EMPLOYEE:

David Gemmill made the motion to hire K. Franklin Kiehner as a full time EMT as of September 1, 2008 at the current pay rate of \$9.75 per hour and benefits pending a review by Scott Kauffman that he has met the obligations of his introductory period. Seconded by Bradley Smith, motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Brenda Kilgore has asked the Board to request PennDOT to conduct a traffic study on Furnace Road with regards to erecting a "Hidden Driveway" sign at her driveway. Also, she is requesting a study be done at the New Bridgeville intersection. Lastly, she would like the Board to consider bidding out garbage service. The Secretary was directed to request the traffic studies. The Board will address the bidding of garbage service at a later time.

Donation – Bradley Smith made the motion to approve making a \$50.00 memorial contribution to the Indian Steps Foundation in memory of Dr. Edward Grissinger. Second by David Gemmill, motion carried.

Sloanker/McCall was notified that the Community Building roof is leaking and the contractor will be coming out on August 14 or 15 to repair the roof.

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

Bradley Smith made the motion to approve the payment of all bills in a manner approved by law. Seconded by David Gemmill, motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Jeffrey Heindel was present to follow up on his request of the Board to consider adopting something on the books requiring recreational vehicles to have some type of license or permit so that the State Police have the opportunity to find people that are going across his property. David Gemmill stated that the Board has been reviewing information on ATVs. The Board asked Mr. Heindel to supply the information he has regarding a new law at the state level that allows townships to license or permit ATVs.

Pitts Dockman requested a formal response to a letter sent to the Board by Atty. Gilbert Malone. The Township Solicitor stated that Atty. Rees Griffith will be sending a response to this letter.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, David Gemmill made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Bradley Smith, the meeting was adjourned at 8:34 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda C. Gohn Secretary/Treasurer