

**Chanceford Township, York County
Board of Supervisors Regular Meeting
April 13, 2009**

MEETING DAY AND TIME: April 13, 2009

David Gemmill opened the regular meeting of the Chanceford Township Board of Supervisors at 7:05 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 Member Bradley Smith.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Bradley Smith made the motion to approve the minutes of 3/9/09 as written. Seconded by Eric Bacon, motion carried.

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT:

Chief Ronald Witmer reported there were 13 calls in March and 54 for the quarter.

Chad Arnold of Felton Fire Co. submitted a quarterly report to the Board.

PLANNING EXEMPTION:

Jason A. & Marla C. Urey Final Plan #08100 – Bradley Smith made the motion to approved sending the Request for Planning Exemption into DEP for review/approval. Seconded by Eric Bacon, motion carried.

AMBULANCE CAPTAIN'S REPORT:

Scott Kauffman reported 62 calls for March. Mr. Kauffman also submitted a letter that he received from York County Department of Emergency Services regarding a policy change that would affect the initial dispatching of EMS to unknown accident calls during extreme inclement weather conditions or if the 911 Center is operating under emergency conditions. They would like the Township's signed support. Mr. Kauffman stated that he is not going to sign because he feels an ambulance should be dispatched regardless of the situation. The Board agreed. Bradley Smith made the motion to send a letter letting them know that the Board of Supervisors does not support this policy change. Seconded by David Gemmill, motion carried. The Board would like included in the letter that if the Department of Emergency Services does change the policy, then the Board would like a letter from them stating that they are accepting responsibility for any injuries.

SUBDIVISION PLAN FOR REVIEW:

Steven T. & Patricia M. Ashley Final Plan #L-5288 – Eric Bacon made the motion to waive the requirement of SALDO Section 501r (slopes). Seconded by Bradley Smith, motion carried.

Bradley Smith made the motion to approve the plan. Seconded by Eric Bacon, motion carried. Bradley Smith made the motion to rescind the previous motion and made the motion to approve the plan contingent on the merger agreement being properly executed. Seconded by Eric Bacon, motion carried.

Eric Bacon made the motion to approve sending the Request for Planning Waiver and Non-Building Declaration into DEP. Seconded by Bradley Smith, motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Bud Haight was present to ask permission to fence in an area which would be attached to the existing backstop to avoid injury from flying balls to anyone walking into this area. This would be done at no expense to the township.

Bradley Smith made the motion to give permission to Conrad's Youth Baseball to erect an 8' x 8' two sided fence at a strategically located distance from the backstop. Seconded by Eric Bacon, motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Haight also asked permission to build another T-ball field. He was directed to submit a sketch for the Board to review.

James Jones of 3261 Kaiser Road was present to file a complaint regarding trash being thrown onto his property as well as four-wheelers riding onto his property from the neighboring mobile homes. The Township Solicitor advised Mr. Jones that these are civil matters and he needs to talk with the state police. Jeff Koons stated he will speak with the neighbors concerning the trash. However, Eric Bacon made it clear that this does not mean that the township is accepting responsibility for these issues.

Kent Heffner reported to the Board that a second building has shown up at the New Bridgeville recreation field without permission. The Secretary was directed to send a letter inquiring about the status of this building.

Floor closed at 8:26 p.m.

ROADMASTER'S REPORT:

Truck bid – Ronald Miller reported that the truck bids for the 1988 Chevy Kodiak dump truck were opened and are as follows:

Red Lion Bible Church - \$4,152.00

Strobecks Auto Sales - \$4,651.00

Thompson Construction - \$3,595.00

Michael S. Yarnall - \$533.76

WCA Equipment Co., Inc. - \$2,100.00

Due to the low bids received, Eric Bacon made the motion to refuse all bids and retain ownership. Seconded by David Gemmill, motion carried.

Storm drains – Mr. Miller stated that there are major problems with about 75% of the storm drains in Chanceford Crossings. Mr. Miller was directed to obtain the number and location of those needing repaired along with an estimated repair cost.

Pond Road – needs paved from Sechrist Flat Road to Oriole Drive. Was directed to obtain estimated cost for paving.

Materials Bids – permission given to advertise.

Salem Church Road – the township will trench on each side and bid for paving material.

ZONING OFFICER’S REPORT:

Barking dogs – Jeff Koons reported the barking dog complaint in Chanceford Crossings has been resolved.

Brown Cow Pkg. Facility – Jeff informed the Board that he is taking the lighting issues to the Planning Commission for their input. Eric Bacon directed Jeff to respond to Mr. Frey when a final determination is made regarding this situation.

ENGINEER’S REPORT:

Act 537 – will receive final recommendation by April 22. Casey Deller informed the Board that DEP will be requiring a preliminary hydrogeologic study for all future subdivisions and land development plans proposing on-lot sewage treatment. Casey was directed to pursue possible negotiation in this matter.

Susan Drive – Casey made Mr. Marshall aware he needs to contact the township when work is commenced in order for someone from the township to be on site. The Board is requiring this work be completed by the next meeting or the matter will be turned over to the Solicitor for resolution.

Brown Cow Pkg. Facility - there has been no conformation of the plan being signed and recorded.

Joint Comprehensive Plan – when official comments are received from York County Planning Commission, the Steering Committee will reconvene to discuss any further revisions to the plan and determine a time line for possible review and adoption of the final draft.

ADDITIONAL INSURANCE COVERAGE:

Bradley Smith made the motion to obtain additional coverage to cover legal costs should the township be sued (regarding ordinances, zoning or criminal acts). Seconded by David Gemmill, motion carried unanimously.

MOWING QUOTES:

The following quotes for mowing the community building property were received:

Myers Lawn Care & Landscaping - \$20.00

Prolawn of Pennsylvania - \$22.00

Taylor's Lawn & Ground Maintenance - \$35.00

David Gemmill made the motion to accept the low bid from Myers Lawn Care & Landscaping. Seconded by Bradley Smith, motion carried.

MA & PA COMMUNITY GREENWAY:

David Gemmill made the motion to appoint Craig Miller as representative to the Ma & Pa Community Greenway Program. Seconded by Bradley Smith, motion carried.

BRIDGE INSPECTION:

David Gemmill made the motion to participate in the 2009-2010 York County Bridge Inspection Program. Seconded by Bradley Smith, motion carried.

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

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

PUBLIC COMMENT:

There being no additional public comments, the floor was closed.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, Bradley Smith made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by David Gemmill, the meeting was adjourned at 10:14 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda C. Gohn
Secretary/Treasurer