Chanceford Township, York County Board of Supervisors Regular Meeting

MEETING DAY AND TIME: June 13, 2011

Eric Bacon opened the 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 Eric Bacon, Vice-chairman Bradley Smith and Member Kent Heffner.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Bradley Smith made the motion to approve the minutes of 5/9/11 as written. Seconded by Eric Bacon, motion carried unanimously.

NEW BRIDGEVILLE FIRE CO.:

The secretary, Brenda Gohn, reported on behalf of Ronald Witmer that there were 13 calls in April and 13 calls in May.

FELTON FIRE CO.:

John McDonald reported that there were five calls in April and ten calls in May. He also reported on various fund raisers.

BROGUE AMBULANCE INC.:

No one was present to give a report. Attorney Bupp stated that there has been no response from Brogue Ambulance Association regarding the audit.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Carol Bowles was present and stated that there has been some improvement made with regards to the violation at 12420 Gum Tree Road. However, chicken manure continues running unto his property. He also has an additional concern regarding the number of boats on this property without licenses.

Jeff Koons stated that the chickens are going to be moved to another location on the property and a storage area is being built. In addition, one of the boats is going to be removed.

Jeff was directed to give the tenant a thirty day deadline to have the violation corrected.

Floor was closed.

SUBDIVISION PLANS:

Scott E. & Jennifer M. Taylor Final Plan #09052 – Eric Bacon made the motion to table the plan due to lack of representation and revised plans. Seconded by Kent Heffner, motion carried unanimously.

ZONING OFFICER'S REPORT:

Bell Property (nuisance violation) – It was suggested to Mr. Bell by the Zoning Officer that he move the chickens from the close proximity of the neighbor. If necessary, Jeff will meet with the tenant, owner and neighbor.

Mowing Violation - 17 Saddlebrook Drive has been mowed.

ROADMASTER'S REPORT:

Kent Heffner reported that a 2001 Mac dump truck with plow and wing plow was purchased at a cost of \$30, 285.00 along with a grader at a cost of \$18,650.00. Both were purchased through the PennDOT Asset Auction.

Two dump truck beds have been repaired with steel plating with the F550 remaining to be repaired.

Kent informed the Board that the township received calls regarding the condition of Old Bridgeville Road due to heavy dump trucks hauling dirt to the Jeffrey Koons (sculptor) property. Kent talked with the acting manager and ultimately had the work temporarily stopped.

A portion of the road will require major repair. Attorney Bupp will contact Mr. Koons regarding the time frame for his project, what E&S procedures are being done, remediation on the road condition due to the heavy equipment traffic and compensation for the damage.

Casey Deller emphasized the importance of taking measures to keep the road open.

Mower – The 2000 Alamo mower has had a new hydraulic system installed.

Broom - A new road broom has been ordered from Plasterer Equipment under the state contract.

Generator – Kent suggested purchasing a generator for the maintenance building. It was suggested purchasing one that can be hooked up to a tractor. Kent will obtain quotes.

ENGINEER'S REPORT:

Shaffer Final Subdivision Plan – Casey was directed to obtain an update on this plan.

Fisher Farm – The stormwater management plan is in compliance with the ordinance. Some administrative work remains to be completed on the stormwater management plan. The NPDES permit is still outstanding.

FEMA – Casey stated that the township does not need to go through all the expense to do a detailed flood study on each one of the streams to determine specific elevations of each point of interest down to the hundredth of a foot that an annual year's flood is going to do due to the sparse population.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

Brogue Ambulance Association Audit – Lower Chanceford Township is willing to contribute thirty percent of the costs of the audit if the number of checks they audit is increased. Stambaugh Ness, PC will audit thirty checks per year for the last three years. Attorney Bupp was directed to ask for the books from the Brogue Ambulance Association.

Bradley Smith made the motion to approve Eric Bacon signing the engagement letter and sending a check for the required pre-commencement fees. Seconded by Kent Heffner, motion carried.

Agricultural Security Area – The next seven year review is due in 2016.

Cable Franchise – Attorney Bupp was directed to approach Armstrong regarding expansion of services in the township before a franchise renewal is considered.

Cingular Tower – Additional soils testing is being done on the McCabe property in order for them to approach the Zoning Hearing Board again. When a decision is made by Cingular as to what direction they are going to take, the township, at this point, will decide what direction it will take. Eric Bacon feels that the township needs to determine township standards for soils testing. Casey will research what standards govern soils testing and report back. Attorney Bupp will keep the Board informed of the progress of this situation.

BIDS:

After being dully advertised and properly received in the manner and time described in the bid advertisement, the following bid was awarded.

Trackhoe:

Fitz & Smith Inc.	Randy R. Craley
\$68.00 hr. w/o operator	\$115.00 hr. w & w/o operator
Kent Heffner made the motion to accept the low bid from Fitz & Smith Inc.	
Seconded by Bradley Smith, motion carried unanimously.	

CDBG:

Eric Bacon made the motion to adopt Resolution 2011-02 authorizing application for a Community Development Block Grant through the York County Planning Commission. Seconded by Bradley Smith, motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

John McDonald requested permission to put up signage on a vacant house in Chanceford Crossings stating that firemen will not enter if there is a fire due to the deterioration of the house. Attorney Bupp will investigate and find out what can be done in this type situation.

John also asked for a commitment from the Board to designate part of the Fire Relief Association money to Felton Fire Co. The Board stated that they want to resolve the issue concerning the Fire Relief check the township has not received as yet before they make any commitment. The secretary was directed to call the treasurer of the Fire Relief Association regarding the status of this check and at the same time inform them that the township is withholding the second quarter donation check until this issue is resolved.

TRANSFER:

Eric Bacon made the motion to approve transferring money from the recreation fund into the general fund to pay for the plans required for the concession/storage building at Chanceford Crossings. Seconded by Kent Heffner, motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

Eric Bacon made the motion to approve the payment of all bills in a manner approved by law. Seconded by Kent Heffner, motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT:

Eric Bacon made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Kent Heffner, the meeting was adjourned at 9:54 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda C. Gohn, Secretary-Treasurer