

**Chanceford Township, York County
Board of Supervisors Regular Meeting**

MEETING DAY AND TIME: October 10, 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 9/12/11 as written. Seconded by Kent Heffner, motion carried. Eric Bacon abstained due to not being in attendance at the 9/12/11 meeting.

NEW BRIDGEVILLE FIRE CO.:

Daryl Miller reported that there were 20 calls in September. He stated that they are still working on the rescue truck and that all the hose has been purchased but not on the trucks as yet. There was a yearly inspection done on the rescue tools. Some will need to be replaced. Bradley Smith asked that the Board be notified before purchasing them.

FELTON FIRE CO.:

John McDonald reported that there were 39 calls in September of which 3 were in Chanceford Township. There were 131 calls for the third quarter of which 26 were in Chanceford Township.

BROGUE AMBULANCE REPORT:

Kraig Herman relayed to the Board that Attorney Craley and Chairman Barry Kauffman will be working together on a rough draft of the contract for the Board's review. The audit is to be completed on October 11. A third quarter report was submitted.

LIBRARY:

Amanda Himes was present on behalf of the Collinsville Library to report on the various programs provided by the library. They must raise \$29,000.00 to meet expenses. She also stated that they receive limited money from local businesses/individual contributions and fund raisers. Also submitted were statistics on the library. Ms. Himes thanked the Board for their continued support.

TREE DONATION:

Allen Miller was present to request approval to plant trees that were donated by John Shelley's Garden Center & Nursery. He would like to plant these trees at the Community Building/recreation area and the New Bridgeville Fire Co./recreation area. The Lions Club has committed to the planting and mulching of these trees under the direction of Mr. Miller. The tree locations will be coordinated with Kent Heffner.

A motion was made by Kent Heffner to approve planting these trees. Seconded by Eric Bacon, motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

There were residents from Green Branch Road present to inquire what is going to be done to this road that was heavily damaged by the flood for which a portion needed to be closed. Kent stated that he met with Safe Harbor at the site. The township engineer also inspected this road. Casey stated that the embankment below the road going down to the river which is probably one to one slope for sixty or more feet vertically just sloughed off during the flood and took most of the embankment with it. This caused undermining of the roadway and made it unsafe to drive across. Casey talked with several contractors to determine the best way to repair it. It will require some type of stabilized road surface that will not continue to wash out. There are several methods all of which are expensive and time consuming. Casey estimated the cost at \$250,000.00 or more to repair.

One of the big obstacles is getting equipment down to the river side which will also disturb more slope. Casey feels the township needs to wait until contacted by FEMA regarding a monetary contribution for the project before moving forward. Kent stated that there is an option of cutting into the driveway of a residence located there but Safe Harbor is requiring a possible fifteen foot retaining wall. This would also be very costly. Eric stated that the township is in the research phase at this point.

A resident questioned what happens in case of a fire. Kent stated that they will need to go in the back way.

Douglas Bare commented that he was pleased that the township recognizes the obligation to fix the road. Mr. Bare feels that in the meantime, Old Bridgeville Road should be made a little flatter so that it can be used as an access. He also requested, as options are considered, a flow of communication with the residents living on this road.

Kip Markey voiced his concerns regarding the deep gutters along the sides of Old Bridgeville Road due to the flood and Jeff Koons hauling dirt back to his property. He asked what the status is for repairs. Kent stated that it is his understanding that Mr. Koons will be hauling additional loads of dirt in the spring preventing the township from repairing the road at this time. York Conservation District was called in to do an inspection of his property and found everything to be in order. The residents were assured that some type of repair will be done. Attorney Bupp will contact Mr. Koons' lawyer to discuss compensation for the damage/repairs on this road.

The floor was

SUBDIVISION PLANS:

Scott E. & Jennifer M. Taylor Final Plan #09052 – Eric Bacon made the motion to table the plan due to lack of representation. Seconded by Bradley Smith, motion carried.

Robert B. & Judy K. Burchett, Philip A. & Mary A. Minnich & Neil F. & Cindy L. Minnich Final Plan #10069-1 – Eric Bacon made the motion to table the plan. Seconded by Bradley Smith, motion carried unanimously. The following comments need to be addressed:

1. Waiver from the requirement of Section 601.m (orientation).
2. Owners notarized signatures.
3. Merger agreement required or submittal of a copy of the deed.
4. Right of way cartway widths for Wise, Cramer and Laurel Roads should be identified on the plan (s.501.e).

GIRLS SOFTBALL/RECREATION BOARD:

Jeff Steinhoff from Girls Softball was present to clarify issues regarding the new concession stand at Chanceford Crossings. He inquired about water, sewer and electric to the building. Eric stated that it was discussed putting in the infrastructure for water and sewer in the building but discussed no further. Mr. Steinhoff inquired as to who will be responsible for the monthly utility bills if actually installed. Eric stated that before this issue can be discussed, the issue of the concession stand costs must be resolved. There appears to be a discrepancy as to what was agreed upon regarding how the costs were going to be handled. Girls Softball was informed by the Board that the township will pay no more than \$9,999.00 toward this building.

Jeff Steinhoff asked the question, whose structure is it and who determines what can be done with it. Eric feels it should be shared by all recreational groups in the community—youth and adults. The recreation board was advised that they could determine who uses the building. However, they were cautioned regarding renting to private groups and setting a precedence.

Providing electric to the building was discussed. Ryan Moore is looking into getting the electrical wire donated. Girls softball will be responsible for monthly invoices once the electric is installed.

The existing trailer at Chanceford Crossings belongs to the girls softball to do with as they choose.

Kelso Haugh was present to further discuss additional ball fields. There is one ball field being constructed at New Bridgeville Recreational Area. Kelso stated that his solution to the 8 – 10 and T-ball players was to use the community building field. However, girl's softball uses the field for practices four to five times a week. Eric feels the community building field needs to be utilized for more than practices and shared by everyone.

Kent will talk with Jeff Bryan of the Red Lion Area School District regarding the availability and cost of using their fields and inform Kelso.

ZONING OFFICER'S REPORT:

Jeff Koons explained a situation on Burkholder Road whereby a resident is not containing her rabbits and they are crossing onto the neighboring property and destroying flowers and trees. The Board feels that this is a neighbor dispute and directed Jeff not to get involved.

ROADMASTER'S REPORT:

All roads are open with the exception of a portion of Green Branch Road but still need a lot of repair.

Kline Road Bridge – there is a lot of debris which will be cleaned up when time allows.

Dettinger Road Bridge – Casey verified that this bridge is in really bad condition and will cost approximately \$80,000.00 to replace. Weight limit signs will be posted until the bridge is replaced.

Shaulls Road Bridge – the bridge is in bad condition but not in need of immediate repair. Weight limit signs will be posted.

Sweeping and surface treatment of roads is winding down.

“Road Closed” signs were purchased due to theft.

Old Bridgeville Road – Casey and Kent will do a site visit to determine the best solution for a temporary repair.

Welded Construction (pipeline contractor) – Casey and Kent will meet with them to do a project completion inspection of the road conditions.

Boyd/Lockport Roads – several options for reconstruction were discussed including gabion walls with open channel flow, new pipe installation and improvements to the existing culvert under Lockport Road. However, any one of these options will be very costly and time consuming. It was decided to, at the present time, maintain as in the past.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

Act 167 Stormwater Management Ordinance – John Shanbarger was present to voice his concern regarding this ordinance. He stated that the ordinance is problematic and would be expensive but, he feels we have no choice in this matter. Atty. Bupp made the comment that this ordinance is very intrusive, but there is a clear directive from DEP to adopt an ordinance in some form.

Eric Bacon made the motion to table the adoption of this ordinance for further study out of concern of the effect it will have on the township residents. Seconded by Bradley Smith, motion carried unanimously.

Act 32 Tax Enabling Ordinance – Kent Heffner made the motion to advertise this ordinance. Seconded by Eric Bacon, motion carried unanimously.

Brogue Ambulance – when the audit is completed and the contract has been drawn up, a date will be set to meet with them along with Lower Chanceford to discuss both.

ENGINEER'S REPORT:

2012 CDBG Application – the application for the planning grant for \$5,000.00 per year was approved.

Mt. Zion Church – Casey stated he was contacted by the church regarding downsizing their proposed storage building and inquired about using a smaller pipe for the stormwater management. Casey advised them to submit a plan for his review.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Trick or Treat night was set for October 31 from 8:00 to 6:00 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

No comments.

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

Bradley Smith made the motion to approve the payment of all bills in a manner approved by law with the exception of the two invoices from Yorktowne Roofing and Siding Inc. amount to \$1,321.39. 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 11:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda C. Gohn, Secretary-Treasurer