

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING JUNE 17, 2015

Minutes of the Pequea Township Board of Supervisors meeting held June 17, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. at the Pequea Township Municipal Building, 1028 Millwood Road, Willow Street, PA 17584.

Present at the meeting were:

Board of Supervisors
Harry D. Lehman, Chairman
Rob Reidenbach, Vice-Chairman
Cynthia Evans-Herr, Supervisor

Others present:

Sandra D. Graham, Twp. Secretary
Mark Deimler, Solanco Engineering
Sign-in Sheet attached

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Public Meetings may be both audio and video recorded.
- The Pequea Township Board of Supervisors and the Township Solicitor met on Thursday, June 4, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. to discuss personnel matters.
- Chairman Lehman and road crew worker, Jeff Fry met with our Stormwater Coordinator Kara Kalupson on Monday, June 8th. The purpose of the meeting was to have our garage and property MS4 inspection.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: The Board of Supervisors held an executive meeting at 6:45 P.M. this evening to discuss personnel matters. The executive meeting ended at 7:00 P.M.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: Chairman Lehman moved to approve the Board of Supervisors minutes of May 20, 2015. Vice Chairman Reidenbach seconded the motion. Supervisor Evans-Herr opposed the secretary's summation of the public comments. It is her opinion they are written verbatim. Chairman Lehman and Vice Chairman Reidenbach voted Aye. Supervisor Evans-Herr voted Nay.

TREASURERS REPORT: A copy of the bill list is on the table. Chairman Lehman moved to approve checks no. 9628 through no. 9665 of the General Fund, and checks, no. 1199 through no. 1206 of the Recreation Fund and check no. 1038 of the Street Light Fund and check no. 375 of the State Highway Fund. Chairman Reidenbach seconded the motion. Supervisor Evans-Herr noted that she didn't sign check no. 9637, Nikolaus and Hohenadel and check no. 9640, Rettew, of the General Fund. All voted in favor, none opposed.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Items on the agenda:

Items not on the agenda: Jackie Johns of 23 Pine Lane said that Conestoga Township has mandatory septic pumping. Ms. Johns spoke with John Kline from Septic Services, he believes DEP will eventually require Pequea Township to do the same.

Jackie Johns stated that Don Flick, elective republican primary candidate, was disingenuous during his commentary at the May 20th Board of Supervisors meeting. She was disappointed he felt he couldn't work with Supervisor Evans-Herr. She stated he should form his own opinion and recommended waiting until they work together first.

Jackie Johns expressed her sentiment on the departure of the Township Treasurer, Lori Leitch. She felt she was very competent in her position. She suggested that applicants applying to fill the position should read the personnel policy before they are hired. Ms. Johns remarked on the number of office employees that have come and gone since Reynolds/Lehman election in 2010.

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Jackie Johns read a letter that was sent to the township in regards to sweeping up grit at 20 – 23 Pine Lane. She stated the grit was created by the township during 2014-2015 road cindering. Subsequently, she had the roads cleaned, spending six hours and filling thirty three, five gallon buckets. She was concerned the grit made the road hazardous and also caused erosion problems. She stated that because the township did not clean it up as requested, she would like reimbursement. Jackie Johns said she read an article in the Lancaster Newspaper that Lancaster landlords must have carbon dioxide and smoke detectors in rental properties. She asked if Pequea Township had the same requirements. Mark Deimler, township engineer said at this time there is no such requirement in Pequea.

Tim Weaver of 22 Baumgardner Road, expressed his concern with the township employee turnover. He feels there is a lot of work and not enough workers. He also noted that the former Treasurer was helpful and professional to him. He stated since Reynolds/Lehman took office, the EAC and the Park Board was dissolved. It is his belief that it was due to a disagreement and asked if this was the case with the recent employee departure. He suggested doing something to solve the problem.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Zoning re-write – Chairman Lehman moved to set a hearing date for the 15th of July at 6:30 p.m. for consideration of adopting the 2015 Pequea Township Zoning Ordinance rescinding and replacing the Zoning Ordinance of December 1992 as amended. Vice Chairman Reidenbach seconded the motion. All voted in favor, none opposed.
2. Parking Violation – fee increase – Vice Chairman Reidenbach stated there were no updates at this time. Legal advisor is on vacation and Mr. Reidenbach has further research to do. He anticipates action at the next Board of Supervisors Meeting.
3. SALDO – Proposal from Rettew came in late yesterday afternoon, Mark Deimler indicated he hasn't had discussion with Rettew yet. It was the consensus of the board and Mr. Deimler, that the proposal contained additional services that were not requested. Supervisor Evans-Herr moved to reject the proposal. Chairman Lehman seconded the motion. All were in favor, none opposed. Supervisor Evans-Herr moved to request the township engineer/zoning officer to obtain from Rettew or elsewhere, the template we need and to provide a proposal from Solanco Engineering for the additional services needed. Mr. Deimler will provide this information to the board prior the July 15th meeting. Chairman Lehman seconded the motion. All were in favor, none opposed.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Dissolution of Bridge Fund – Chairman Lehman moved to approve **Resolution No. 422-2015** authorizing the Board of Supervisors of the Township of Pequea, Lancaster County, to transfer unencumbered moneys from, the PGLIT Bridge Replacement Fund, account no. 00003017142 to the General Fund. Vice Chairman Reidenbach and Supervisor Cynthia Evans-Herr simultaneously seconded the motion. All voted in favor, none opposed.
- Radcliff Road Bridge – Mark Deimler reported that on June 1st, Providence Township Board of Supervisors voted to close the Radcliff Road Bridge. Discussion proceeded on various considerations; funding, grants, alternate routes, fire company access to water supply and building an access pad at the edge of the bridge. Chairman Lehman and Mark Deimler recommended moving forward one step at a time starting with our agreement with the bridge closure. Chairman Lehman moved to instruct the township engineer to notify the necessary

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parties that Pequea Township desires to work with Providence Township to close the Radcliff Road Bridge. Supervisor Evans-Herr seconded the vote. All voted in favor, none opposed.

- Stoney Lane Culvert – In late May, Mark Deimler sent an email estimating the cost to repair the Stoney Lane Culvert. He said it will be similar to Run Valley Road Culvert. Chairman Lehman recommended waiting until fall, possibly October to apply for the permit. At this point in time the focus is on Shultz Road and Run Valley projects. Chairman Lehman moved to instruct the township engineer to obtain quotes and the permit for the Stoney Lane Culvert repair, at the appropriate time. Supervisor Evans-Herr seconded the motion. All voted in favor, none opposed.
- Contempt Petition – Supervisor Evans-Herr moved to instruct the township solicitor to move forward with filing of the Plaintiff's (Pequea Township) Petition to Hold Defendants in Civil Contempt of the Court's November 26, 2013 order against New Financial Associated Trust c/o William McMichael. Mark Deimler noted that it was negotiated in the consent order that Pequea Township would not be required to follow the typical protocol for violation of junk. If the defendant violates the order again we would go to the court with the contempt order to get resolution. Chairman Lehman seconded the motion. All were in favor. None opposed.
- IT Administrator – Chairman Lehman moved to appoint Cynthia Evans-Herr, IT Administrator. Vice Chairman seconded the motion. All were in favor. None opposed.
- Adoption of Planning Module for Marticville Road Pumping Station – Supervisor Evans-Herr moved for Pequea Township to adopt the sewage facility planning module proposed by DEP, code A3-157-336945, **Resolution No. 423-2015**. Chairman Lehman seconded the motion. All were in favor. None opposed.
- Acting Road Master – Chairman Lehman moved to approve a bonus in the amount of \$900.00 to Jeff Fry for taking on the responsibilities of roadmaster. Vice Chairman Reidenbach seconded the motion. Vice Chairman Reidenbach withdrew his second. Chairman Lehman withdrew his motion. Chairman Lehman moved to award a bonus in the amount of \$900.00 to road worker, Jeff Fry, for taking on responsibilities of roadmaster since April 20, 2015. Supervisor Evans-Herr seconded the motion. All voted in favor. None opposed. Chairman Lehman moved to have Jeff Fry's wages increased by fifty cents per hour effective June 15, 2015. Supervisor Evans-Herr seconded the motion. All were in favor. None opposed.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

Road Crew – Report on file.

Zoning/Code Officer – Report on file.

Southern Regional Police Department – Monthly report on table

Southern Regional Police Commission-Supervisor Reidenbach

Southern Lancaster County Inter-Municipal Council – Supervisor Evans-Herr

Emergency Management

Pequea Township Zoning Hearing Board – Meeting held June 2, 2015. Next meeting scheduled July 7, 2015.

ADVISORY BOARD REPORTS:

Pequea Township Planning Commission – Meeting held May 27, 2015. Next meeting scheduled June 24, 2015 (if needed)

MEETING ADJOURNED at 8:26p.m.

Respectfully,



Sandra D. Graham, Township Secretary

