

JEFFERSON TOWNSHIP
Regular Meeting
Carsonville Fire Company Building
June 3, 2009

CALL TO ORDER

The June 3, 2009 Regular meeting of the Jefferson Township Board of Supervisors was called to order at 7:30 PM by Chairman Alan Loesch.

Members present: Chairman Alan Loesch, Supervisor Keith Crum

Secretary present: Robyn Loesch

Guests present:: Deb Everly, Robin Straub, John Witmer, Pam Crum, Robert Wentzel, Tim Wentzel, Sheila Keiter, Randy Macko, Justin Witmer, Shirley Witmer, Eugene Breidigan, George Allen, Kelly Allen, Christine Flanagan.

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Alan Loesch made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 8, 2009 Regular Meeting, as written and amended. Keith Crum seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0.

TREASURERS REPORT

A summary of the current month's bills was read. Deb Everly asked what was the legal bill was for. Alan Loesch answered that about 90% was due to current Right-to-Know request and appeal. Robyn Loesch asked what to do about quarterly checks for the Supervisors; checks have been already cut for approval at the end of the quarter and there is a problem if a Supervisor is not at the meeting. A motion to pay the following bills presented for payment was made by Alan Loesch; to include the approval of Supervisor pay for Greg Gusler as either for two or three meetings, as per his decision. Keith Crum seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0.

General Fund Bills - \$ 5431.33 (or \$5399.07 depending on Supervisor pay decision)
State Fund - \$ 0

ROAD BID

The sealed road bids were opened at 7:40

Hammaker East

Item # 1 (Middle Rd.)	5690 yd2 double bituminous seal coat (\$2.046 unit price) =	\$11,641.74
Item # 2 (Hemlock Rd.)	7,020 yd2 double bituminous seal coat (\$2.046 unit price) =	<u>\$14,362.92</u>
	TOTAL	\$26,004.60

HRI Inc.

Item # 1 (Middle Rd.)	5690 yd2 double bituminous seal coat (\$2.470 unit price) =	\$14,054.30
Item # 2 (Hemlock Rd.)	7,020 yd2 double bituminous seal coat (\$2.470 unit price) =	<u>\$17,339.40</u>
	TOTAL	\$31,393.70

Alan Loesch made a motion to pass Resolution # 271 to accept the bid from Hammaker. Keith Crum said he wanted to discuss the bid because he was reluctant to spend \$26,000 on this tar and chip project as there is an area of Back Rd. that need to be repaved. There was a general discussion of road repair and priorities. Justin Witmer said that repeated sealcoats bleed through and get slippery; and that maybe the Township could get millings from PennDot and put them down with a vibrating roller. Alan Loesch asked Keith if there was still the possibility of getting stimulus money for a paving project. Keith said that he had talked to Scott Lehman (PennDot) about the HATS matching grants, we don't meet HATS requirements, but we still have an

application in with the County for a stimulus project of 1.1 miles of paving (cost estimate \$136,500). Kelly Allen volunteered to help look for other grants that might be available to the Township. The cost of paving versus tar and chip, and traffic volume were discussed. Keith Crum thanked everyone, especially the Allens for contributing to the decision on this project. Keith said that he thought that part of Back Rd. (near intersection with Powells Valley Rd.) is in bad shape and it would be better to do a paving project now while prices were lower and look into doing any tar and chip projects later in the year. As there was no second to the motion to accept Resolution 271 to accept the current bid from Hammaker, Alan Loesch made a new motion to reject all bids. Seconded by Keith Crum. Motion carried 2-0.

Persons to be Heard

Robin Straub gave a presentation of a summary of coverages and review of the Townships insurance policies.

CORRESPONDENCE

- Dauphin County – price changes for Subdivision and Land Development Applications.
- Rush Township sent a letter that they had no additional comments to our Comprehensive Plan
- Dauphin County – notice of several property transfers to family members.
- Pennoni Assoc – notice of PennDOT work to replace the culvert near the intersection of White Oak and Powells Valley Rd..

ENGINEERING REPORT

1. Ed Fisher had called to give an update. The Snyders have gone to a surveyor to verify the elevation of a shed in the floodplain.
2. Dam at the Lucky Dutchman, DEP had a meeting last Monday and they have come to an agreement that the cap of the dam will be removed but the dam abutment will be left in place.
3. Macko planning module, Alan Loesch has given Randy Macko information about obtaining a letter of credit to fulfill the \$3000 financial security requirement for the planning module.

FIRE COMPANY REPORT

John Witmer reported that there were two call last month – a tree had fallen across a road, and a four wheeler accident in Wayne Township that injured two people.

PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT

Deb Everly reported that there was no new activity and they were still looking to have the public meeting for the Township Comprehensive Plan in the fall. Deb also reported that the Regional Planning is waiting for funding approval.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT REPORT

Deb Everly reported Barry is still working on making copies of the emergency plan books. The EMC and deputy EMCs need to fill out the Security Card form.

COG REPORT

Alan Loesch reported that COG has heard that an EMS reciprocity agreement should be finalized sometime in June. Amy Kaunas, Executive Director of the Harrisburg Area Humane Society will be coming to the June COG meeting to discuss an area-wide agreement..

ROAD REPORT

- Keith Crum reported that he and John Witmer had worked on White Oak Rd. to get water away from the road.
- Work was done on drainage Back Rd. near Dave Deibler's.

- The Ford truck was taken in for a recall repair to update the computer and inspection. Also, the rear of the truck was rewired in areas that were having salt damage.
- The new grader blade for the tractor has been working out well.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Gypsy moth spraying was done two weeks ago.
2. Financial Interest Statements - no outstanding ones in yet.
3. PennDOT Electronic Access training class - completed..

NEW BUSINESS

1. EIT – Dauphin County has asked each municipality to designate a delegate and an alternate to represent it on the county-wide EIT committee. Act 32 of 2008 has required that EIT collection be consolidated into countywide collection districts. Alan Loesch and Kelly Allen volunteered. Keith Crum made a motion to appoint Alan Loesch as the Township representative to the EIT committee and Kelly Allen as the alternate. Seconded by Alan Loesch. Motion carried 2-0.
2. Meeting notice postcards – Due to the positive public comments, Alan Loesch made a motion to continue to send out monthly meeting notice postcards for the rest of 2009. Seconded by Keith Crum. Motion carried 2-0.
3. Supervisors quarterly paychecks – To solve the problem mentioned in the Treasurer’s Report section above, Alan Loesch made a motion to approve the quarterly Supervisors pay at the March, June, Sept. and Dec. meetings but allow for the checks to be cut after the meeting and then include these check amounts in the next month’s Treasurer’s reports. Keith Crum seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0.
4. Road Bid – Keith Crum made a motion to go out for bids on paving approximately .5 miles on Back Rd (starting from the intersection with Powells Valley Rd.). Seconded by Alan Loesch. Motion carried 2-0.

ADMINISTRATIVE/TAX ASSESSMENT PERMITS

1. # 419 to Jeffrey Seaman for a 30’ x 9’ porch.

PUBLIC COMMENT

1. Sheila Keiter asked if the minutes from last month’s meeting could be amended further. Alan Loesch made a motion to make additional amendments the minutes of the April 8, 2009 Regular Meeting . Seconded by Keith Crum. Motion carried 2-0. Sheila also asked if we have yet learned from the County which EMS service is the Townships officially designated second-due-EMS unit. John Witmer volunteered to get Alan the name of the correct person to talk to at the County to get this information.
2. John Witmer asked if the Township could post a notice on their website that Jefferson Township is not responsible for maintenance (including paving) of Powells Valley Rd.
3. Eugene Breidigan commented about his neighbor’s outside boiler; and that last night it was very smokey.

ADJOURNMENT

Alan Loesch motioned to adjourn the meeting, second by Keith Crum. All were in favor and the meeting adjourned at 9:18 PM.

Robyn Loesch
Secretary/Treasurer