

JEFFERSON TOWNSHIP
Regular Meeting
Carsonville Fire Company Building
July 7, 2010

CALL TO ORDER

The July 7, 2010 Regular meeting of the Jefferson Township Board of Supervisors was called to order at 7:37 PM by Chairman Alan Loesch.

Members present: Chairman Alan Loesch, Vice-Chairman Margaret Peterson, Supervisor Keith Crum

Secretary present: Robyn Loesch

Guests present: John Witmer, Pam Crum, Brenda Osman, Sheila Keiter, Valerie Doyle, Randy Macko, Ed Fisher.

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Alan Loesch made a motion to approve the minutes of the June 2, 2010 Regular Meeting, as amended. Margaret Peterson seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried 3-0.

TREASURERS REPORT

A summary of the current month's bills was read. A motion to pay the bills was made by Alan Loesch. Margaret Peterson seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried 3-0.

General Fund Bills – \$9,206.70 State Fund - \$ 0

CORRESPONDENCE

- Upper Dauphin Income Tax Office, sent a notice that the Township will not receive an EIT distribution for June due to refunds and claims from other taxing jurisdictions.
- DEP- notice of Dauphin County's adoption of new Act 147 Stormwater Management Plan. The Township will have until Dec. 25, 2010 to enact a new stormwater ordinance.

Persons to be Heard - NONE

ENGINEERING REPORT

1. The Township will have to work on developing local Ordinances for the new Act 147 Stormwater Management Plan and the FEMA required Floodplain updates. Ed Fisher suggested that the Township schedule a workshop to review the Township's options for these two Ordinances, and that the Planning Commission should be invited to participate.
2. Ed and Alan will work on the details of the proposal to have Light-Heigel take over issuing the local Administrative Assessment Permits. The goals would be to keep the cost as low as possible; provide the Township with timely email notification of newly issued permits; and allow the Board of Supervisors to act as an appeal board for assessment permit appeals. The details (schedule and prices) should be worked out by December, so that all questions are resolved before next year's reorganizational meeting when the permit officers are appointed.
3. Keith Crum asked Ed for recommendations of companies to re-paint the underside of the West Cross Rd. bridge.

FIRE COMPANY REPORT

- One call. John Witmer reported that there was a fatal ATV accident on the Back Rd. in Wayne Township. After a general discussion of the growing problems of ATVs driving on the roads, the Township will send a letter to the State Police asking them to increase patrol in our area.

PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT

summary of email report from Deb Everly

- All Planning Commission members present at the last meeting, including the two new members.
- At our last meeting, we agreed to donate \$100 to the Carsonville Fire Co. in June of each year to help cover the costs of the Planning Commission meeting there.
- Working on an ordinance for ingress/egress to township roads, with an emphasis on logging. We are waiting for some information from the solicitor, Alan Loesch is to contact him on our behalf. Any funds needed to initiate this contact should be within the budget but this will be confirmed before pursuing.
- Seeking an upgrade for the Powell's Creek stream designation is moving forward but may take considerable time to complete. We have scheduled a stream walk for members of the Planning Commission, PA Fish & Boat Commission, the Dauphin County Conservation District and Rudi Erb and other members of Twin Valley Conservation. The stream walk will be held on Aug. 11th.
- Awaiting a response from Dauphin County relative to our request for recycling containers to be placed in Jefferson Twp. and are also in the process of contacting Wayne Twp. to find out if they are interested in joining this effort.
- There seemed to be considerable interest in finding out more about a "dark sky designation". I will keep you informed if this initiative has any potential of moving forward.
- The regional planning effort is moving forward. I will be sending out planning news items to anyone who is interested. My plan is to send something out monthly.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT REPORT - NONE

COG REPORT

County Commissioner Haste was at the last COG meeting. He will be at the September COG meeting with Kelly Wolf to continue the discussion about County recycling bins in our area.

ROAD REPORT

- Keith Crum reported that weather permitting, Martin Paving will begin the seal coating project next Thursday (seal coating on West Cross, Middle, and Hemlock Roads).
- The mower is back from being repaired and he was out mowing today.
- A bid advertisement was placed for guide rail replacement.
- The guide rail and culvert areas were sprayed by DB Inc. for weed suppression. They will return next week to finish the top part of Carsonville Rd.
- The pipe replacement area on Carsonville Rd. will be cold-patched next Saturday.

OLD BUSINESS

1. School House Committee. A new gas furnace has been purchased and Dave Osman will be picking it up. Keith will ask Dave what we are going to do with the old oil tank and oil. There is another school house clean-up scheduled on September 11th.

2. Alan Loesch said that he has not yet been in contact with the owner of MedEx, but is still planning on contacting him.
3. After a discussion, it was decided that Alan will contact Rush Township about a possible joint project for this year's gaming funds Local Municipal Grant Application
4. The PEMA snowstorm reimbursement of \$4,719.19 has been received.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Margaret Peterson made a motion to pay DB Inc. and all expected regular bills before the next meeting. Seconded by Alan Loesch. All in favor. Motion carried 3-0
2. Keith Crum made a motion to pay Robyn Loesch the \$108.00 Administrative cost include in the PEMA snow storm reimbursement. Seconded by Margaret Peterson. Alan Loesch abstained. Motion carried 2-0.
3. A local resident asked if they could use a metal detector to search for artifacts at the School House. After a discussion by the Supervisors, it was decided that someone from the School House Committee should accompany the search, and that the Supervisors would decide if the Township would retain possession any of any items found (for historical purposes) or if the found item could be kept by the searcher.
4. Brenda Osman brought up a concern about the recent Medic 6 response to the recent ATV accident. She and Dave were in Lykens near the Medic 6 crew when the call came in. However, Dave arrived at the accident scene, and they had the patient ready for the Helicopter before Medic 6 arrived. It seems that the Medic 6 crew went to the accident via Elizabethville, rather than directly from Lykens. Keith Crum asked if they had maps of our area. John Witmer said, yes they had maps, but that the ambulances do not contact the local fire companies (often already on the scene) for help with directions. After a general discussion, Alan Loesch said that Brenda, as our EMC could ask for a response review of the incident; find out the facts, and see if this is opportunity for improvement. Sheila Keiter asked John Witmer about who was in charge of the landing zone (during the accident), and who called for the Helicopter. Sheila also said that this brings up the issue of coverage and that Medic 6 chooses the second, third and fourth -due; and why not have MedEx as second or third due. Sheila also asked if Brenda could find out about a different incident; where a man was collapsed at the doctor's office in Halifax and it took twenty minutes for an ambulance to respond.

ADMINISTRATIVE/TAX ASSESSMENT PERMITS - NONE

PUBLIC COMMENT (9:16) - NONE

ADJOURNMENT

Alan Loesch motioned to adjourn the meeting, second by Margaret Peterson. All were in favor and the meeting adjourned at 9:17 PM.

Robyn Loesch
Secretary/Treasurer