JEFFERSON TOWNSHIP

Regular Meeting
Carsonville Fire Company Building

October 13 2010

CALL TO ORDER

The October 13, 2010 Regular meeting of the Jefferson Township Board of Supervisors was called to order at 7:35 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, Brenda Osman, Sheila Keiter, Valerie Doyle, Randy Macko.

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Alan Loesch made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 1, 2010 Regular Meeting, as written. 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. Keith Crum seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried 3-0.

General Fund Bills - \$26,622.61 State Fund - 0

<u>CORRESPONDENCE</u> - NONE

Persons to be Heard - NONE

ENGINEERING REPORT

Ed Fisher was not present. Alan Loesch reviewed the status of several upcoming proposed ordinances.

- Stormwater ordinance is being finalized by the Solicitor. The County wants this ordinance to be in place by December 25, 2010.
- Floodplain ordinance still working on this with Ed Fisher.
- The PennDOT required Airport Ordinance has been sent to the Solicitor for comments.
- Will be working with Ed for final details about possibility of Light-Heigel serving as permit officers for all Assessment Permits.

FIRE COMPANY REPORT

- One automatic fire alarm, false alarm.
- Two calls for trees down, one on Powells Valley Rd. and on Back Rd.
- Due to the increase in for call outs for false alarms caused by automatic fire alarms, John Witmer asked if the Township would look into the ordinance recently passed in Wayne Township; this ordinance allow the Fire Company to bill for the third false alarm.

Number marker signs have been put up at Greenland Rd. and Smoke Hole. John will check
with some of the Smoke Hole property owners to see if the Township can get access to
Smoke Hole to measure and give numbers for all of the individual camps.

PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT

- The Regional Planning Commission met on Oct 12 with the local planning commissions and municipal officials to Review the current regional Plan.
- The Public review meeting for the Regional Comprehensive Plan will be held at 7 P.M. on October 26, 2010; at Halifax High School.
- Rettew had sent a new map showing all of the township parcels that are part of the Clean & Green or Agricultural Security programs. It is a large portion of the township's private properties. However, Keith Crum did find some errors on the map concerning his family's properties and was concerned that there may be other errors.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT REPORT

- John Witmer reported that the deadline for NIMS courses has been extended. Early next year, Dave Warfel will be holding NIMS300 and 400 level courses.
- Brenda Osman reported that Rush Township has found a volunteer to be their EMC. She will be helping out until this person is trained.

COG REPORT

- Alan Loesch reported that Medic 6 will be coming to the October 21 COG meeting to discuss their merger with Pinnacle.
- The Director of the Dauphin County library will also be at the next COG meeting.
- Kelly Wolfe has had a meeting with some of the local municipalities about their issues with the recycling bins.

ROAD REPORT

- Keith Crum reported that they repaired the bridge signs on West Cross Rd.
- Potholes filled and gutter ballast rocks added on White Oak Rd.
- Beacon light repair on big truck, mud flaps on small truck.
- L.R. Brown Company is coming to see about painting the underside of the West Cross Rd. Bridge.
- PennDOT will be re-contacted about fixing the sign post for the Village of Carsonville sign.
 The were called two months ago, but we have not heard back from them.
- John Laskowski will be contacted about the status of the second village sign.

OLD BUSINESS

- 1. School house clean-up day was successful. Keith Crum commented that the building looked terrific, especially the large picture of schoolchildren from the 1940s. Keith suggested that next year the Township could open the building for community Halloween and Christmas parties.
- 2. The next schoolhouse committee meeting is Monday the 18th, at 7 P.M.
- 3. The chimney was re-pointed, repaired and capped.
- 4. The new furnace is installed.

- 5. Emergency light has been replaced.
- 6. Arrangements are being made to have the porch and out-house roofs repaired.

NEW BUSINESS

- EIT Alan Loesch reported that Berkheimer has been awarded the County contract for
 collection starting in 2012, The municipalities and school districts only has until the end of
 October to decide if they wanted to write a separate contract to have Berkheimer start
 collecting the EIT in 2011. Due to this short time frame, it looks as if the Upper Dauphin
 School district and it's nine municipalities will be staying with the Upper Dauphin Tax Office
 through the end of 2011.
- Alan Loesch made a motion to send \$25 to both the Carsonville Volunteer and the Halifax Fire Companies in memory of Lee Warfel. Margaret Peterson seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried 3-0.
- An article in the Patriot-News said that the Humane Society has changed their charge structure to \$1 per resident. Jefferson Township does not currently have a contract with them but may consider one at this price. State law requires Townships to be responsible for stray dogs but not stray cats.

<u>ADMINISTRATIVE/TAX ASSESSMENT PERMITS</u> - # 436 to Rahn Buffington for a 36' x 48' pole barn.

PUBLIC COMMENT (8:34))

Sheila Keiter asked if the Township had advance notice of the Medic 6 merger. Alan said that COG was called the night before the announcement was made to the public; he said that Rush Township was also called because they channeled their Casino money to Medic 6 for a new ambulance. COG sent this information out to all of the municipalities. Sheila said that she still had a lot of questions about the Medic 6 merger and what will happen in the future.

ADJOURNMENT

Alan Loesch motioned to adjourn the meeting, second by Margaret Peterson. All were in favor and the meeting adjourned at 8:54 P.M.

Robyn Loesch Secretary/Treasurer