

JEFFERSON TOWNSHIP
Regular Meeting
Carsonville Fire Company Building
September 5, 2012

CALL T ORDER

The September 5, 2012 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/Treasurer Robyn Loesch

Guests present: John Witmer, Sheila Keiter, Sally Zaino, Rich Zaino

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Alan Loesch made a motion to approve the minutes of the August 1, 2012 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 – \$ 4,802.62 State Fund – \$34,500.00

Keith Crum made a motion to pay the bills for DATCO and Colliflower before the next meeting. Alan Loesch seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried 3-0.

CORRESPONDENCE - FEMA sent a notice approving our floodplain ordinance.

Persons to be Heard - Sally Zaino, Executive Director of the Manada Conservancy gave a presentation about their proposed Gaming Grant application to purchase the development rights to the local Girl Scouts Camp property. The Conservancy is asking the Township for a letter of support for this project, as local support is a grant program requirement. The Conservancy hopes to purchase a development easement to restrict development of this property. They hope to fund one half of this project with a \$402,000 Gaming Grant and the other half with funds from DCNR. The goal of this project is land preservation, parts of the property would be open to the public for passive recreation (such as hiking). As the easement agreement has not yet been drawn up, they do not know if the property would be open for hunting. There would be three easement levels within the property, existing facilities, standard and high protection areas (such as head-waters). The Conservancy would monitor easement compliance. The Supervisors discussed the issue of limiting potential future tax base revenue. Rich Zaino said that the Conservancy would be interested in local input into proposed land usages. Alan Loesch made a motion to sign a letter of support for this grant application. Margaret Peterson seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried 3-0.

ENGINEERING REPORT - Ed Fisher called before the meeting. There are no updates. The Township will contact Tri-County Planning and let them know that we are still waiting to hear from Mr. Hahn about the completion of his stormwater requirements.

FIRE COMPANY REPORT - John Witmer reported: There were three calls. A death on Back Rd., a Carbon monoxide alarm, and motor vehicle accident on Back Rd.(near intersection with Powells Valley Rd.).

PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT - NONE.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT REPORT - NONE

COG REPORT - NONE Next COG meeting will be in September at Lykens Borough.

ROAD REPORT - Keith Crum reported that:

- They have been mowing, Back Rd. and Carsonville Rd. are completed
- They are now working on the Rush side of the Mountain. Sealcoat work should begin this Friday.
- The sealcoat project is finished.
- Line painting estimate is 15 cents per foot. Keith Crum made a motion to contract with Alpha Space to paint the center-lie on the mountain. Seconded Alan Loesch seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried 3-0.
- Rush Township will be reimbursing Jefferson for the line painting on their side of the mountain.

OLD BUSINESS

- The Townships Gaming Grant co-application with Rush Township for a guiderail study has been submitted to the County.
- The Township did not receive any bids for the Austin grader.
- The grader will be re-bid. There were four bids for the John Deere disk mower. Alan Loesch made a motion to accept the \$850 from Kenneth Fahnestock. Keith Crum seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried 3-0.

NEW BUSINESS - NONE

ADMINISTRATIVE/TAX ASSESSMENT PERMITS - NONE

PUBLIC COMMENT - NONE

ADJOURNMENT

Alan Loesch motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Keith Crum. All were in favor and the meeting adjourned at 8:42 P.M.

Robyn Loesch
Secretary/Treasurer