

PENN TOWNSHIP MINUTES October 5, 2010

The Penn Township Board of Supervisors held their regular meeting on Tuesday, October 5, 2010 at the Municipal Building, 228 Clifford Road, Selinsgrove, Snyder County, Pennsylvania. Chairman William Moyer called the meeting to order at 7:00PM. Supervisors present: William Moyer, Brian Wentzel; Fred Ulrich. Others present: Secretary/Treasurer Robin Bieber; Solicitor Robert Muolo. Members of the Public: Pete DeWire; Kathy Ulrich; Dennis Norman, Norman Engineering Designs; Roy Sauers; Chris Sheaffer, Larson Design Group; Brian Burke, Larry Johnson, Bob Soper of SARA; Ken Stettler, DH&L Fire Company; Del Kennedy, Snyder County Libraries; Greg, J-Mar Construction; Rodney Ries, Penn Valley Airport.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the September 21, 2010 meeting were approved as presented upon motion by Fred Ulrich, seconded by Brian Wentzel, and unanimously approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Ken Stettler, DH&L Fire Company provided the September report which included 33 incidents with ten in Selinsgrove Borough and eleven in Penn Township.

Pete DeWire gave the Board a brief report on East Snyder Park. The pollination garden is finished. Mr. DeWire will be attending the DCED Block Grant meeting for possible grants. The 'probation people' serving their community hours at ESP have graduated from the program.

PERSONS PRESENT TO BE HEARD

Del Kennedy, Snyder County Libraries, thanked the Board for the financial donations in the past and asked for continued support in 2011. Ms Kennedy explained that while the state is cutting funding due to budget cuts, use of the library has increased. Ms Kennedy also described some of the programs offered by the libraries.

Robert Soper, Larry Johnson, and Brian Burke representing the Selinsgrove Pool, gave a brief report of accomplishments by the pool this past season and asked for support in 2011 with a donation of \$5600.00. Mr. Johnson also explained that Penn Township residents will no longer be charged a higher fee if the Township donates.

Rodney Ries, Penn Valley Airport, gave a report on recent events at the airport. Mr. Ries also gave an update on the improved financial condition since Heritage Aviation assumed managing the airport. It was noted that 2010 is the fourth year in a five-year plan of support for the airport.

Dennis Norman, Norman Engineering Designs, was present with plans for an expansion to the boiler plant at the Selinsgrove Center and a gravel lot. This expansion will be 33' wide x 70' long and will house steam powered turbines to provide electricity, a gas fired boiler and emergency generators. Plans were reviewed, including grades and storm water management. Mr. Norman, looking for Preliminary Plan approval, explained that Labor and Industry will do all inspections. After project is complete per plans, Mr. Norman will return for Final Plan approval. It was noted that since no infrastructure is associated with this plan, this process is allowed per the PA Municipalities Planning Code. After review, motion to approve the Selinsgrove Center Boiler Plant Expansion Preliminary Plans as presented by Brian Wentzel, seconded by Fred Ulrich and unanimously approved.

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REPORTS

Roadmaster Brian Wentzel provided a written report on the roadcrew's activity for the previous two weeks.

Tom Snyder, Zoning Officer, reported 76 zoning permits year-to-date. Home design plans have been received by Haubert Homes for the lots along Old Colony Road in the flood zone. These homes, while they look like normal houses from the outside, house a garage on the first floor and all living space on the second floor. Mr. Snyder also reported that Carl Zechman has received a permit from DEP to fill in property along Rt 522 beside the former Susquehanna RV building.

Township Secretary/Treasurer Robin Bieber reported that all information has been sent to Harrisburg regarding the Notary appointment. It will be an approximate 6-8 weeks until further information is received. Also, notice has been received that Penn Township will receive \$21,480.00 in Turnback Allocation in 2011.

Emergency Management Coordinator Fred Ulrich reported that 4.5" of rain fell over 2-3 days with no problems.

Chairman William Moyer reported on work sessions to be held at 8:00am on October 7th to discuss the 2011 Budget and at 8:00am on October 8th to discuss the employee handbook.

OLD BUSINESS

Roadmaster Brian Wentzel reported two test holes have been dug for soil samples for the new storage building. No further information has been received by the Township. Mr. Wentzel will inquire as to the cubic feet of storage space for storm water management for the 120' x 60' building.

The following utility trailer quotes were reviewed: Fayetteville Trailers, a PJ Trailer - \$6600.00 (ramps an additional \$500.00); Lynn Ray Farms, a Cam Superline Trailer - \$6500.00 with ramps included; North Point Auto, a Cam Superline Trailer - \$6500.00 with ramps included. It was noted that all trailers are 20' and 16,000gvw. After review, motion was made by Fred Ulrich, seconded by Brian Wentzel to purchase a new 20', 16,000gvw Cam Superline Trailer with ramps from North Point Auto at a cost of \$6500.00. It was noted that North Point Auto is a local dealer.

NEW BUSINESS

Discussion was held on painting the outside of the Township building. Since there are several cracks in the block that will need repaired first, Mr. Wentzel will contact masons for repair costs.

Discussion was held on ATVs that ride around the compost site. After review, motion was made by Fred Ulrich, seconded by Brian Wentzel and unanimously approved, 'All Terrain Vehicles prohibited' signs will be installed.

CORRESPONDENCE

PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AND PAYROLL

Upon motion of Brian Wentzel, seconded by Fred Ulrich, and unanimously approved, the accounts payable and payroll were approved as presented.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn was made by Brian Wentzel, seconded by Fred Ulrich, and approved. No further business to discuss, the October 5, 2010 meeting adjourned at 8:32PM

Respectfully Submitted,
Robin Bieber, Township Secretary