

MT. PLEASANT TWP. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MEETING OF FEBRUARY 25, 2009

The meeting of February 25, 2009, was called to order at 6:34 p.m. by Chairman Dinsmore with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Those present were: William L. Dinsmore, Chairman (WD), Larry H. Grimm, Vice-Chairman (LG), Shane D. Maga, Supervisor (SM), William A. Johnson, Solicitor (WJ) was absent, Larry Chome, Zoning Officer (LC), Mary Ann Stevenson, Secretary (MS), and those citizens listed on the attached sheet.

Public Comments: None.

Reports

The following reports, if any, were submitted for the Board's review and are on file at the Municipal Office:

- Zoning Officer's Report – Since last meeting
- Public Safety Report – 1/26/09 – 2/23/09
- Public Works Report – Since Last Meeting
- Planning Commission Minutes – 2/2/09
- Parks & Recreation Report – 1/12/09
- Municipal Authority Minutes – None
- Midway Sewage Minutes – 1/6/09
- Cross Creek Valley Region Minutes - None
- Washington County Sewage Council Report - None
- MPT Volunteer Fire Dept. Report - None
- Wilbur Smith – Revitalize Main Street Project Minutes - None
- Treasurer's Report - January, 2009
- Correspondence for the period of 1/28/09 – 2/24/09

► SM motioned to accept the reports as given and LG seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Action Items:

1. **Bills:** LG motioned to authorize payment of the invoices for the period of 1/28/09 – 2/24/09 as presented and SM seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
2. **Minutes:** LG motioned to approve the minutes of the January 28, 2009 regular board meeting and SM seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
3. **Boring Subdivision #2:** LC presented this subdivision as dividing 2 parcels along Lynn Portal Road into parcels of 11.2 and 12.5 acres for building lots. The Planning Commission recommended approval contingent upon changes to the lot numbers and DEP approval for the planning module. LG motioned to approve the Boring Subdivision contingent upon changes to the lot numbers and DEP approval for the planning module and SM seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
4. **Staudt Subdivision Re-approval:** LC presented this subdivision. SM motioned to re-approve the Staudt Subdivision as needing re-approval to correct an error in the placement of a property line between the two properties (with Alfred McGivern) due to the gas line placement that caused the first error and LG seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
5. **Hire Austin Thase – FT Police:** LG motioned to hire Austin Thase as a full time Police Officer effective March 1, 2009 at \$12.00 per hour with benefits and SM seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
6. **Resolution 2009-H:** WD motioned to adopt Resolution 2009-H, a Resolution supporting Blaine Township in their efforts to allow local self governing authority over issues directly affecting their citizens and LG seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
7. **Emergency Operations Basic Plan:** LG motioned to adopt the Emergency Operations Basic Plan for Mt. Pleasant Township as coordinated through the Washington County Dept. of Public Safety (no change from 2008) and WD seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

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Discussion Items: (board members may elect to discuss items presented to them since the last meeting)

LG stated if everyone as seen the correspondence that the Supreme Court ruled on the 2 cases on the Gas & Oil Well Act that states townships can control, through zoning, where gas wells are located otherwise the Act supersedes other township ordinances. MS stated we currently don't zone for gas well locations. LC stated we'd have to amend the Zoning Ordinance. LG stated we could amend the ordinance but for now he'd like the solicitor to review these rulings. MS stated it was already faxed to Bill Johnson.

SM stated he was considering a fishing derby for children and thought it might be fun and new but he wasn't sure of a place. LG stated other places have them but they have access to a pond or dam. SM suggested CVLD as a possibility or a farmer's pond.

SM discussed the need to hire for the grass cutting position. There was a brief discussion regarding wage and start dates. SM motioned to advertise for this position at a rate to be determined and LG seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

SM stated after review of the DCNR Grant correspondence it doesn't appear that it would be suitable for the Westland Pavilion Project. LG added that plus it is a matching funds grant. MS stated she contacted Jesse White's office for potential funding help for the Westland Pavilion Project.

Unfinished Business:

1. Vacancy - Parks & Recreation Board to replace Linda Maga who resigned.
2. Vacancy - Board of Auditors (Elected) to replace Benjamin Libert who moved out of the township.

Adjournment: WD motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:50 pm and SM seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Ann Stevenson
Secretary - Treasurer
Mount Pleasant Township
Board of Supervisors