

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

The meeting of March 25, 2009, was called to order at 6:30 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), Larry Chome, Zoning Officer (LC) was absent, Mary Ann Stevenson, Secretary (MS), and those citizens listed on the attached sheet.

Public Comments: It was noted that there was no electricity at the building and the meeting was being conducted with flashlights. 1.) Paul Battista (PB), Chairman of the Municipal Authority, stated he understood the township adopted an ordinance regulating inspections of on-lot systems and thanked the board for acting so quickly in trying to move forward with the ACT 537 Plan. PB asked WJ if the ordinance was moving forward or did it include systems installed years ago. WJ and LG stated that it was moving forward and that prior systems were grandfathered. PB asked what happens to the escrow money if property was sold and LG responded that it goes with the property. PB asked if the ordinance was acceptable to the DEP (Emily Shade) and WJ stated that it is modeled after North Strabane's Ordinance which was acceptable to the DEP and the WCSC. PB asked if the WCSC will be enforcing the ordinance and WD confirmed they were and SM added that they (WCSC) are appointed to do this at the re-organization meeting. PB added that they are trying to start fresh with Cecil Township BOS to assist with our Act 537 plan Resolution that is needed and they can instruct their Municipal Authority how to assist up if need be.

2.) Mr. Battista added that due to the Hy Bridge demolition that Johnston Road is not draining properly and causing erosion. WD stated that he called Gregori Construction (company that did the demolition) once already and that he will call them again.

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 – 2/23/09 – 3/24/09
- Public Works Report – Since Last Meeting
- Planning Commission Minutes – 3/1/09
- Parks & Recreation Report – None
- Municipal Authority Minutes – 1/15/09
- Midway Sewage Minutes – 2/3/09
- 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 – 2/20/09 & 3/2/09
- Treasurer's Report - February, 2009
- Correspondence for the period of 2/25/09 – 3/24/09

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

Action Items:

1. **Bills:** LG motioned to authorize payment of the invoices for the period of 2/25/09 – 3/24/09 as presented and SM seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
2. **Minutes:** SM motioned to approve the minutes of the February 25, 2009 regular board meeting and WD seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
3. **Easter Egg Hunt:** SM motioned to set the Easter Egg Hunt for Saturday, April 11, 2009 at 10am, for residents only, with pre-registration required and LG seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
4. **Pre-Registration for Egg Hunt:** LG motioned to set the pre-registration dates for the Easter Egg Hunt as Saturday, April 4th from 10 am – 1 pm; and Tuesday, April 7th and Wednesday April 8th from 5 pm – 8 pm each day at the township building and SM seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

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5. **Hire Robert Wasik:** LG motioned to hire Robert Wasik as a part time EMT at the Fire Department effective March 3, 2009 at \$11.00 per hour with no benefits and SM seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
6. **Resolution 2009-I:** WD motioned to adopt Resolution 2009-I, a Resolution to amend the fee schedule to allow for an increase in the Washington County Sewage Council's fees for sewage malfunction complaints and LG seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
7. **Resolution 2009-J:** WD motioned to adopt Resolution 2009-J, a Resolution granting signing and attesting authority for electronic access to Penn DOT systems ECMS in regards to the grant for the Revitalize Main Street Project. LG questioned why we have to do this and MS stated that Penn DOT no longer does grant or reimbursement transactions via paper and that it must be done electronically and we are not permitted on their system without this resolution stating that the highest elected official (Chairman) and the secretary has authorization to sign for the township. LG seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
8. **Resolution 2009-K** – LG motioned to adopt Resolution 2009-K, a Resolution establishing a policy for the destruction of written notes and audio recordings of meetings after the minutes have been prepared and approved and WD seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
9. **DCED Letter of Intent** - SM motioned to approve a letter of intent for the DCED to do a study on the merger of the fire departments in Mt. Pleasant Township and in McDonald and Midway Boroughs and LG seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
10. **Fund Balance Reduction** – WD motioned to reduce the fund balance by approximately \$100,000 in order to pay bills and payroll until the Real Estate Tax Revenue starts to come in, usually in May, at which time the fund balance will be restored to its full amount of \$266,000 and SM seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
11. **Bike Race** – WD motioned to acknowledge / approve another UPMC Bike Race this summer from the same group that held their race in MPT in 2008 but that we do not sponsor or endorse this event and SM seconded the motion. LG opposed the motion as being an inconvenience to the residents. The motion carried. SM added that he would like it noted that the race will be held on state owned roads and WD added that they need to get approval from Penn DOT.
12. **Police Multi-user License** – LG motioned to approve the Police Dept. request to purchase a multi-user license for the police software at a cost of \$1,250 plus an additional \$180 for the cost of yearly support on the additional license and SM seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
13. **Hickory Ball Field Request from Fort Cherry SD** – WD motioned to approve a request from the Fort Cherry Athletic Dept. for the use of the Hickory ball field for their 2009 Varsity and Jr. Varsity games (plus practices) to take place up through the beginning of May and SM seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
14. **Fee for Fort Cherry's Use of Ball Field** – SM motioned to set the fee for the use of the Hickory Ball Field for Fort Cherry School District at \$1,000 the same as in 2008 and LG seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
15. **Re-numbering of Hornhead Road in Westland** – LG motioned to approve re-numbering the addresses at 195 – 208 Hornhead Road in Westland (7 lots) due to the fact that on 2 separate occasions emergency vehicles were able to correctly locate the proper addresses and SM seconded the motion as he witnessed one of the emergencies. The motion carried unanimously.

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

SM motioned to hire Donald McCalmont for the part time parks maintenance position at \$10 per hour with no benefits. Motion died for lack of a second. WD stated he wasn't aware that this was being voted on at this meeting and hasn't had a chance to look at the applications. WD added that it can be done retroactively. SM added that someone needs hired soon so a decision needs made. LG stated that a memo will be done after the applications are reviewed.

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Unfinished Business:

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

WJ stated that with respect to the Auditor position that the BOS has 30 days after vacancy to appoint someone and the Vacancy Board has an additional 15 days to appoint someone until the next election and that the After the 45 days has expired the courts have to appoint someone. MS stated that Benjamin Liebert hasn't officially resigned but that he supposedly moved out of the township. WJ said at some point the position needs to be declared vacant. MS stated she left a message for him on their home phone and no one called back. LG stated that he needs to be contacted again. WJ added that the P&R position can be appointed at anytime.

Adjournment: LG 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