

MT. PLEASANT TWP. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MEETING OF MAY 27, 2009

The meeting of May 27, 2009, was called to order at 6:32 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), Mary Ann Stevenson, Secretary (MS), and those citizens listed on the attached sheet.

Public Comments: None

1. Steven Cypher (SC) from Cypher & Cypher, CPA (C&C) presented the 2008 audit. SC stated that MS is responsible for all of the funds and finances and C&C is responsible to the Supervisors. SC explained the 2 major funds as being the General Fund and Liquid Fuels Fund. SC touched briefly on the other funds and reserves. He added that after all reserved funds are deducted from the remaining balance that the working cash balance left is \$103,000. SC continued stating that revenues were \$981,000 for 2008 and expenses were \$988,000 which represents a \$7,000 loss from 2007. SC added that an adequate fund balance is essential to run the township when there is no tax revenue coming in and to plan for the future. He added with the economy revenues for 2009 might even be lower than 2008 and there is no such thing, in his opinion, as a safe investment. SC stated that the current reserve balance of aprox. 12% falls within the recommended guideline of 10% - 15%. SC stated that the smaller the government the larger the fund balance needs to be. SC went on to explain the management letter. SC stated that their job as auditors is to tell the supervisors if they are doing things properly. He added that for the 2008 audit that everything was done properly and they have no findings. They had no difficulties in performing the audit. There were no miss statements. There were no disagreements with management. SC stated that MS did an excellent job. SC finalized his presentation with risk management. He stated that it is everyone's job to report any questionable activity. C&C, during their audit did not find any risk or fraudulent activity. SC thanked the BOS for allowing them to perform the 2008 audit. The BOS thanked SC for his presentation.

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 – 4/21/09 – 5/26/09
- Public Works Report – Since Last Meeting
- Planning Commission Minutes – 5/4/09
- Parks & Recreation Report – None
- Municipal Authority Minutes – 3/19/09
- Midway Sewage Minutes – 4/7/09
- Cross Creek Valley Region Minutes - None
- Washington County Sewage Council Report - None
- MPT Volunteer Fire Dept. Report - Financials from 1/1/09 – 4/30/09
- Wilbur Smith – Revitalize Main Street Project Minutes – 4/15/09
- Treasurer's Report - April, 2009
- Correspondence for the period of 4/22/09 – 5/26/09

► 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 4/22/09 – 5/26/09 as presented and SM seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
2. **Minutes:** SM motioned to approve the minutes of the April 22, 2009 regular board meeting and LG seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

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3. **Polonia Estates PRD Final Approval:** WJ stated that since there was no need for a public hearing that the plans as previously submitted can be approved as long as there were no substantive changes. Greg Banner from PBS&J stated the plans are the exact same and no changes were made. Mr. Banner added the BOS concern over storm water mgmt. was addressed as such as the township would manage it within the township road right of way and otherwise the Homeowners Association would handle all other areas. As far as the storm water basin, they will be putting up a fence around it and it is in the homeowner covenants that they mow around it 4 times a year. Mr. Banner suggested that the developer and the township engage in a maintenance agreement of a couple of thousand dollars after the escrow account is closed to address and future storm water pond issues that might arise should the Homeowners Association fail to maintain the area. He added that in order to get Penn DOT to give approval for a highway occupancy permit they need to have the township give final approval for the PRD. SM motioned to give final approval to the Polonia Estates PRD and LG seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
4. **Street Name Approval for Polonia Estates:** LG asked where the name General Pulaski Court came from and Mr. Banner from PBS&J stated that his client is of polish decent. WD asked if anyone thought that there could be any problems from the 911 center due to such a long name and there were no comments as to there being any concerns. LG motioned to approve the only street name as General Pulaski Court for the Polonia Estates PRD and SM seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. WD asked if they were providing a street sign and PBS&J said that could be done.
5. **Declare a Dangerous Structure:** LG motioned to declare 19 Brown Street, South View (home to Lucasiks) a dangerous structure based off of a Police Report due to the fact that the Township Zoning Officer was denied access to the home and WD seconded the motion. SM abstained. The motion carried.
6. **Resolution 2009-M:** WD motioned to adopt Resolution 2009-M, a Resolution agreeing to the requirements of the Penn DOT Dotgrants on-line reporting system and SM seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
7. **EALA Agreement with Penn DOT:** SM motioned to enter into an EALA (Electronic Access Licensing Agreement) with Penn DOT for the use of the on-line reporting system and WD seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
8. **Municipal Authority Loan Repayment -** LG motioned to request repayment for the loan given to the Municipal Authority in 2003 for \$9,500 plus interest. SM asked if it was necessary to have this money now, or might the Municipal Authority need another loan down the road and LG stated that due to the budget reasons that we will need this money and LG added that the Municipal Authority just sold that piece of property for \$75,000. WD seconded the motion. SM opposed the motion. The motion carried.

Executive Session: WD called an executive session to discuss the Mr. & Mrs. Lesnick condemnation litigation at 6:55 pm. The session ended at 7:23 pm and the regular meeting resumed.

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

None.

Unfinished Business:

1. Vacancy - Board of Auditors (Elected) to replace Benjamin Libert who possibly moved out of the township.

Adjournment: LG motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:25 pm and WD seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

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