

MT. PLEASANT TWP. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MEETING OF NOVEMBER 16, 2011

The meeting of November 16, 2011, 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), Arden B. McCartney, Supervisor (AM), William A. Johnson, Solicitor (WJ), Larry Chome, Zoning Officer (LC), Mary Ann Stevenson, Manager/Secretary (MS), and those citizens listed on the attached sheet.

Public Comments:

1. Bob Hanes, 107 Washington Ave. Hickory commented on the action item Resolution 2011-W whereby the Township is opposing House Bill 1950 relative to an impact fee on gas drilling that will preempt local zoning. Mr. Hanes stated that Jesse White spoke in opposition and urged a "no" vote as this is a bad bill. The Hanes sent e-mails in opposition of this as well. Mr. Hanes then asked about the Fulton Subdivision. Mr. Hanes stated the reason they have concerns is because the agreement with the Township on noise levels state 60 DbA at the compressor station property line and they feel MarkWest is going to assert that the property line is the road, the edge of Sam Fulton's property and it is supposed to be the fence line. Debbie Hanes stated since they do not have a subdivision showing the MarkWest property lines the Township can not monitor the decibel levels per the agreement. She added that by MarkWest's own decibel meter they were exceeding 60 DbA at the fence line. WD stated that Mr. Fulton was contacted by MarkWest and he that he was going to "think about it" with respect to signing the subdivision. WD questioned how long Mr. Fulton had to respond. The Hanes' stated that MarkWest is doing some additional sound reduction work which is good but they need to get a subdivision done too. The board agreed.
2. Don Reed, 25 Main Street, Hickory stated that in the April 2011 minutes a motion was made to give 125k to Rick Walsh for his park project and he hasn't seen anything done. MS stated that the transfer of the money was approved by the board but the money hasn't been released from the County yet in order for him to get started on the project. WD added that the State needs to approve the project as well.

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 – 10/18/2011 – 11/15/11
- Public Works Report – Since last meeting
- Planning Commission Minutes – None
- Parks & Recreation Minutes – Board Inactive
- Municipal Authority Minutes – 9/14/11
- Midway Sewage Minutes – 10/4/11
- Cross Creek Valley Region Minutes – None
- Washington County Sewage Council Report - None
- MPT Volunteer Fire Dept. Report - October, 2011 Financials
- Treasurer's Report - October, 2011
- Correspondence for the period of - 10/19/11 – 11/15/11

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

Action Items:

1. **Bills:** WD motioned to authorize the payment of the invoices for the period of 10/19/11 – 11/15/11 as presented and LG seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
2. **Minutes:** LG motioned to adopt the minutes of the October 19, 2011 regular board meeting and AM seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
3. **Minutes:** LG motioned to adopt the minutes of the October 8, 13, 22 and November 3, 2011 budget workshop meetings and AM seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

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4. **Resolutions 2011-V:** WD motioned to adopt Resolution 2011-V; a Resolution adopting a policy to be in compliance with Act 44 relative to the acquisition of professional services for the municipal pension funds and LG seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
5. **Resolution 2011-W:** LG motioned to adopt Resolution 2011-W; a Resolution opposing House Bill 1950 which would supersede and preempt all local zoning regulations with respect to oil and gas operations in favor of statewide control and AM seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
6. **Seasonal Part Time Winter Maintenance:** AM motioned to approve reinstating the seasonal part time winter maintenance employees effective immediately at \$11.00 per hour with no benefits and LG seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
7. **Police Professional Insurance Renewal:** LG motioned to approve the renewal of the Police Professional and Public Officials Employment Practices Insurance effective 11/15/11 – 11/15/12 for \$6,555 and WD seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
8. **Pension Plan Amendment:** AM motioned approve amending the Township Non-Uniformed Pension Plan effective 1/1/11 removing the Police Dept. employees and changing the Township contribution rate for new hires to 5% and WD seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
9. **EMT/Fire Fighter New Hire:** LG motioned to ratify the hiring of Robert Heinz as a full time employee assigned to the Fire Dept. as an EMT/Fire Fighter effective 11/14/11 at \$14.00 per hour and AM seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
10. **ENRDD Machine:** WD motioned to approve the sale of the Police ENRDD machine to the McDonald Police Dept. for \$2,700 and LG seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
11. **Tentative 2012 Budget:** LG motioned to tentatively adopt the 2012 General Fund Budget at \$1,115,260 and to advertise for final adoption and WD seconded the motion. AM opposed the motion. The motion carried.

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

None.

Unfinished Business:

1. Main Street Project – Rep. White's office is still looking into reviving this project.

Executive Session: WD motioned for an executive session at 6:42 pm to discuss personnel issues.

The regular meeting reconvened at 7:42 pm.

LG motioned to adopt Resolution 2011-X; a Resolution entering into a Manager's Agreement and AM seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment: WD motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:33 pm and LG seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Ann Stevenson
Township Secretary
Mount Pleasant Township
Board of Supervisors