

MT. PLEASANT TWP. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MEETING OF APRIL 25, 2012

The meeting of April 25, 2012, was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Chairman Grimm with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Those present were: Larry H. Grimm, Chairman (LG), Arden B. McCartney, Vice-Chairman (AM), Bryan Smith, Supervisor (BS), 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. JoAnne Wagner, Lakeside Dr. stated that she has been watching what is going on out east with Bucks County and she is outraged. She added that there is a Senator out there proposing amendments to Act 13 to divide the east from the west whereby the east would get to keep their zoning rights. AM thanked her for her comments.
2. Don Reed (DR), 25 Main St. stated that it is a hassle to build something in this township and there are too many rules, one set of rules here and another set of rules from HMT. BS asked what his specific concern was and DR stated that the township needs to relax its zoning and building regulations on existing structures. LC responded that there have been some changes to the permit procedures instituted by HMT and that DR daughter came in and stated she did not know if she was going to have the addition go up or out and LC explained that information is needed by HMT. LG asked LC to work with DR to get any issues resolved and LC agreed. BS suggested having HMT (Toni) present as well.
3. Nedra Ursitz, Belgium Hollow Rd. commented that BS came down to Primrose Park after the last meeting and talked about some improvements that would be made and she wanted to know when that was going to start. BS stated that there are projects already in process that need to be finished first due to equipment rentals but that repairs should start soon. She then asked when street sweeping was going to start and BS responded that the sweeper is broken down and the parts have been ordered. A definite date could not be stated at this time.

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 – April 2012
- Public Safety Report – 3/27/12 – 4/24/12
- Public Works Report – 3/29/12 – 4/25/12
- Planning Commission Minutes – 4/2/12
- Parks & Recreation Minutes – Board Inactive
- Municipal Authority Minutes – None
- Midway Sewage Minutes – None
- Cross Creek Valley Region Minutes – None
- Washington County Sewage Council Report - None
- MPT Volunteer Fire Dept. Report - March 2012 Financials
- Treasurer's Report - March, 2012
- Correspondence for the period of - 3/28/12 – 4/24/12

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

Action Items:

1. **Bills:** BS motioned to authorize the payment of the invoices for the period of 3/28/12 – 4/24/12 as presented and AM seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
2. **Minutes:** LG motioned to adopt the minutes of the March 17, 2012 special board meeting and BS seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

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3. **Minutes:** AM motioned to adopt the minutes of the March 28, 2012 regular board meeting and BS seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
4. **AG Security Area Acknowledgement:** LG motioned to acknowledge receipt of an application from John Dinsmore; 1619 Millers Run Road into the Agricultural Security Area and BS seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
5. **AG Security Area Acknowledgement:** LG motioned to acknowledge receipt of an application from Edward Strnisa; 1581 Millers Run Road into the Agricultural Security Area and AM seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
6. **Resignation:** BS motioned to accept the resignation of Donald Rohsner as a part time Police Officer effective April 26, 2012 and LG seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
7. **Job Search:** AM motioned to officially approve the Police Chief to look for a replacement part time Police Officer and LG seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
8. **Cross Creek Support Request:** BS motioned to officially approve a request from Cross Creek Township to pledge support for the Cedar Grove Park – Phase 2 Project by committing two full time employees for a total of thirty hours each and two dump trucks and AM seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
9. **Street Sweeper Repair:** BS motioned to officially approve spending approximately \$6,000 to have the street sweeper repaired which is our 50% with Cross Creek paying the other 50% and AM seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
10. **Firefighter/EMT Salary Arrangement:** LG Motioned to rescind the February 22, 2012 motion that had utilized the existing one-half mill EMS tax to offset a full-time firefighter/EMT salary and instead, motion is hereby made to pay a portion of the firefighter/EMT salary from the annual fire tax in an amount not to exceed one-half mill as allowable in the Second Class Township Code. Further, a motion is made to pay the full annual EMS tax in the amount of one-half mill directly to the Fire Department. AM seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

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 scaling down the existing project. Rep. White is still involved at this time and is currently working with Penn DOT on feasibility. *Rep. White's office is arranging a meeting between Penn DOT, the Township and the Engineers in the near future.*
2. Fulton Subdivision – Deadline to comply with the Township Ordinance was February 29, 2012. Mr. Fulton has contracted with Attorney Saxton to address this matter. Per Mr. Saxton, they intend to fully comply with Township Ordinances. Mr. Saxton stated he will address any concerns with Bill Johnson. *As of 4/17/12, Mr. Saxton is working with Mr. Fulton and needs a little more time. LG stated this had gone on long enough. BS stated they should have a deadline. WJ will call Mr. Saxton to settle on a deadline.*
3. Agricultural Security Area Addition – Allene & Robert Lash, 123 Beechnut Road, McDonald. *This is scheduled for a hearing and adoption in June 2012.*
4. Yanosik (Ann Stuhler) Ball Field Lease – Expires May 31, 2012. *BS stated that he hasn't contacted them yet but would like the lease to be changed to reflect that the owners of the property take care of the tree removal and major issues and that the Township would be responsible for the field and mowing and added he will contact them in the next week or two. AM and LG agreed.*

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At 6:45 pm, LG called an executive session to discuss personnel issues.

Adjournment: LG motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:28 pm and AM seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Ann Stevenson
Township Secretary
Mount Pleasant Township
Board of Supervisors