

**SPRING TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS**  
**Regular Monthly Meeting**  
**September 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2008**  
**7:00 P.M.**

The Spring Township Regular Monthly Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Frank Royer, Chairman, followed by Pledge to the Flag. Frank Royer announced there was an Executive Session held prior to the meeting with the Manager to discuss legal and personnel issues.

**Supervisors:** Frank Royer, Terry Perryman & David Capperella  
**Solicitor:** Tracey Benson – Miller, Kistler, Campbell  
**Township Manager:** William MacMath  
**Zoning Officer:** Vaughn Zimmerman – Not Present  
**Guests:** Attendance sheet attached to original minutes

**OPEN BIDS:**

**Line Painting** – The following bids for line painting were opened by William MacMath, Manager, and read by Frank Royer, Chairman. Only one bid received.

Alpha Space Control -                 \$16,437.76

It was on a motion of Terry Perryman seconded by David Capperella to accept the bid submitted by Alpha Space Control upon review of all documentation by the Manager and in the best interest of Spring Township. Unanimously approved motion carried.

**Springfield Subdivision Phase VI Shoulder Work** – The following bids for Springfield Subdivision Phase VI Shoulder Work were opened by William MacMath, Manager, and read by Frank Royer, Chairman. Three bids received.

H.R.I., Inc. -                                 \$27,765.00  
Glenn O. Hawbaker, Inc. -                 \$21,317.50  
R.C. Bowman Inc. -                         \$22,730.00

It was on a motion of Terry Perryman seconded by David Capperella assuming all paperwork is in order and upon review of the Manager to accept the low bid submitted by Glenn O. Hawbaker, Inc. in the best interest of Spring Township. Unanimously approved motion carried.

**HEARING OF VISITORS:**

**Todd Ripka – Block Party – Springfield Development** - Mr. Ripka reported he lives at 106 Jenjo Drive in the Springfield Development and is requesting to close the road from 3:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. to hold a block party. Mr. Ripka also reported he has talked with all the neighbors on Jenjo and East and West Springfield Drives and they feel it is a good idea and closing the road would be much safer for the children. The road would be kept open for any emergency vehicles. Also requested the use of Road Closed signs. It was on a motion of Terry

Perryman seconded by David Capperella to approve closing the road from 3 p.m. to 9 p.m. and providing Road Closed signs. Mr. Ripka reported he would pick up the signs on Friday and return them prior to Monday morning. Unanimously approved motion carried.

### **ACTION ON MINUTES OF AUGUST 4<sup>TH</sup>, 2008:**

It was on a motion of Terry Perryman seconded by David Capperella to accept the Minutes of August 4<sup>th</sup>, 2008 as submitted. Unanimously approved motion carried.

### **REPORTS ON OFFICIALS AND COMMITTEES:**

The following reports were submitted to The Board of Supervisors and are on file for review.

- Township Treasurers Report – Submitted by Molly Baird
- Water Authority Treasurers Report – Submitted by Molly Baird
- Police Report – Submitted by Greer Perryman
- Municipal Employees Report – Submitted by Gary Royer
- Code Enforcement Report – Submitted by Vaughn Zimmerman
- Sewer Enforcement Report – Submitted by Ralph Houck
- Fire Company Report – Submitted by Gary Royer
- Ambulance Report – Submitted by Gary Royer

It was on a motion of Terry Perryman seconded by David Capperella to accept the above reports as submitted. Unanimously approved motion carried.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

**Regional Trash & Recycling** – William MacMath, Manager, reported on August 7<sup>th</sup> Gannett Fleming reported on the Technical Assistance Study that was completed for Spring, Benner and Walker Townships. An Executive Summary was included in the Board packets for review. Mr. MacMath reported he does believe the Township can save the residents money, increase trash and recycling percentages to near 100%. Benner Township is very interested and Walker may be. This would also reduce the wear on the roads as trash would be collected one day a week as to 4 to 5 days currently over the same roads. Terry Perryman, Vice-Chairman, reported his opinion is the same as before, he has a problem with running someone out of business and to contract with one large hauler is legitimate but does not feel it is fair to the little guy. David Capperella, Supervisor, reported he shares some of the same feelings as Terry but feels if it is contracted out it should not be run by any Township or Authority. His questions would be;

1. What is the impact on Commercial businesses?
2. What is the impact on other haulers?
3. What does the recycling rates/percentages mean?

After some discussion, Terry Perryman, Vice-Chairman, suggested hosting a public hearing with the haulers and inviting Walker and Benner Townships may be beneficial. William

MacMath, Manager, reported a meeting will be set up with the haulers prior to the next meeting scheduled for October 6<sup>th</sup>.

**Tolling of I-80** – William MacMath, Manager, reported he and Frank Royer, Chairman, have been discussing the tolling of I-80 and thought that The Board may want to take a position on the issue. The MPO will be discussing and possibly making a statement in September. The biggest benefit of tolling for Spring Township would be that it will provide funding for the I-80/I-99 Interchanges. The big unknown is how much truck traffic will use local state highways, such as Route 64/144. Terry Perryman, Vice-Chairman, remarked he needs more information on the tolling booths and free passes and how it would benefit Spring Township by tolling I-80. Frank Royer, Chairman, questioned....what about locals? Mr. Royer felt no decisions should be made until more information is received.

**Fire Protection Cost Sharing Agreement** – William MacMath, Manager, reported Bellefonte Borough has drafted a Fire Protection Cost-Sharing Intergovernmental Agreement based on discussions at the shared services meeting, however there is no consensus on this issue as of yet. Mr. MacMath also reported there are a number of issues that are not resolved which are:

1. By only using assessed value it lowers Bellefonte's share.  
Depending what criteria is used it can vary as much as 7%.
2. The County at this point has not agreed to participate.
3. The Bellefonte Fire Companies budget is suspect as to the numbers.
4. It still does not address the other fire companies.

A copy of the draft agreement was provided to the Supervisors in their packets. A spreadsheet showing additional criteria and funding for other companies was also included. Discussion is to take place at September's Shared Services meeting. Supervisors thoughts and concerns are needed. The agreement needs to be with all municipalities. Commissioners have not addressed yet. After brief discussion, it was on a motion of Frank Royer seconded by Terry Perryman to deny until all fire companies are involved and provide budgets. Unanimously approved motion carried.

#### **FOR INFORMATION:**

**Township Insurance Renewal** – William MacMath, Manager, reported the Automobile, Liability, Property and Worker's Comp. insurance has been awarded to the current carrier The Insurance Group. Quotes were received and was only a difference of \$410 with the current carrier being the lowest price.

**County Convention – 9/29/08 – Penns Valley High School** – William MacMath, Manager, reported the County Convention is scheduled for September 29<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. at the Penns Valley High School.

**PennDot Public Meeting – 9/10/08** – William MacMath, Manager, reported PennDot will be holding a Public Meeting to discuss Route 144 and the possibility of removing the passing lane and making it two lanes. Anyone interested is welcome to attend.

## **RESOLUTIONS & ORDINANCES:**

The following are Resolutions to Install and Operate Traffic Signals:

**Resolution 09-08** – Route 550 & I-99 Northbound Ramps –

**Resolution 10-08** – Route 550 and Buckaroo Lane –

**Resolution 11-08** – Route 550 and I-99 Southbound Ramps –

It was on a motion of David Capperella seconded by Terry Perryman to approve the installation and operation of the traffic signals at the above locations, Township to maintain the signals. Unanimously approved motion carried.

## **CORRESPONDENCE:**

William MacMath reported on the following correspondence received.

**Comcast** - Letter received from Comcast on new channel additions.

**Centre County Commissioners** – Letter received from Centre County Commissioners regarding the County's Liquid Fuels Program for 2009. Letters of Application need to be submitted by October 24<sup>th</sup>, 2008.

**Lindsay K. Magyar** – Letter received stating interest in being appointed to the Parks & Recreation Board.

**McQuaide Blasko Attorney's At Law** – Copy of a letter received regarding Bellefonte Borough/Bellefonte Borough Authority and Spring Benner Walker Joint Authority.

**PSATS** – Monthly News Bulletin received.

## **BILLS FOR APPROVAL:**

It was on a motion of David Capperella seconded by Terry Perryman to approve the bills for the month of August 2008 as submitted for the General Fund Account, Street Light Account, and the State Fund Account. Unanimously approved motion carried.

## **OPEN FORUM:**

No Comments.

## **ADJOURN:**

With no further business to discuss, it was on a motion of Terry Perryman seconded by David Capperella to adjourn the meeting at 8:01 p.m. Unanimously approved motion carried.

**Molly Baird**  
**Recording Secretary**

