

SPRING TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS
Regular Monthly Meeting
July 2nd, 2007
7:00 P.M.

The Spring Township Supervisors Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Frank Royer, Chairman, followed by Pledge to the Flag.

Supervisors: Frank Royer, Terry Perryman & David Capperella
Solicitor: Tracey Benson – Miller, Kistler, Campbell, Miller & Williams
Township Manager: William MacMath
Zoning Officer: Vaughn Zimmerman
Guests: Attendance sheet attached to original minutes

OPEN BIDS – BRIDGE PROJECT – T-367:

The following bid for the T-367 Bridge Project was received and opened by William MacMath, Manager, and read by Frank Royer, Chairman.

* John Claar – Woodard PA - \$34,500.00

Terry Perryman, Vice-Chairman, questioned if this was the same company that bid last month. William MacMath, Manager, reported yes and that last month the bid came in at \$31,500.00. Terry Perryman remarked it increased by \$3,000.00. Frank Royer, Chairman, questioned if there were any other firms that have shown and interest. Mr. MacMath, Manager, reported there were a few companies that called and took a look at the project but never received any bids. Terry Perryman reported he is not in favor now since the price was increased by \$3,000.

It was on a motion of Terry Perryman seconded by David Capperella to reject the one bid received due to the increase in cost. Unanimously approved motion carried.

OPEN BIDS – SALE OF 89 CHEVY DUMP TRUCK:

The following bids for the 89 Chevy Dump Truck was received and opened by William MacMath, Manager, and read by Frank Royer, Chairman.

* West Briar – State College, PA \$1,625.00
* Mike Shadow – Bellefonte, PA \$2,220.00
* Mike Vanezzo – Bellefonte, PA \$2,201.00
* Gary Wilt – Bellefonte, PA \$3,775.00
* L.W. Hose – Pleasant Gap, PA \$3,550.00

Terry Perryman, Vice-Chairman, questioned if anyone had the truck appraised. William MacMath, Manager, reported he was told the truck was valued between \$5,000 to \$8,000, he was hoping for \$5,000 at least. After brief discussion, it was on a motion of David Capperella seconded by Terry Perryman to accept the high bid submitted by Gary Wilt in the amount of \$3,775.00. Unanimously approved motion carried.

HEARING OF VISITORS:

ACTION ON MINUTES OF JUNE 4th, 2007:

It was on a motion of Terry Perryman seconded by David Capperella to accept the Minutes of June 4h, 2007 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

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:

Proposed Multi-Sports Complex – William MacMath, Manager, reported the two county YMCA's are coordinating a county wide effort to build a multi-sports complex, they are hoping to obtain 100 acres of Rockview ground near the Benner Pike exit of Route 220 and build 100,000 square foot facility (Basketball, Soccer, Baseball etc.) and community pool, with ballfields outside. At this time they are just asking for the Township's support of the project, so they can get Senator Corman to sponsor legislation for the ground. Terry Perryman, Vice-Chairman, questioned what the cost would be. Mr. MacMath, Manager, reported they have no cost estimate yet. David Capperella, Supervisor, reported he feels it is a worthy effort to check into. It was on a motion of David Capperella seconded by Terry Perryman to approve sending a letter of support for the proposed Multi-Sports Complex. Unanimously approved motion carried.

Herbie's Home "Town Loop" – 4 Mile Run/Walk – 8/18/07 and/or 16 Mile Bike Ride – William MacMath, Manager, reported a request was received from the Bellefonte Area Cross-Country Booster Club to hold and run/walk and bike ride in memory of Jeremy Herbstritt. Denny McDowell was present to briefly explain the event. All proceeds will go to the "Jeremy Herbstritt Memorial Fund". Requesting use of Jacksonville Road and Lyonstown Road for the bike ride on Saturday, August 18th, 2007 from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. The school will provide the insurance information as requested. It was on a motion of David Capperella seconded by Terry Perryman to approve Herbie's Home "Town Loop" Run/Walk and/or Bike Ride as requested. Unanimously approved motion carried. Frank Royer, Chairman, requested Chief King mark the calendar to have patrols in that area for the event.

Gypsy Moth Spraying Program – William MacMath, Manager, reported he received a phone call from the County requesting if Spring Township had any areas that were damaged this year by Gypsy Moth. Not a lot can be done this year, but if anyone has names of problem areas, the names will be submitted to the County to prepare a study for next year's spraying. At this point Lyonstown and Jacksonville have had the most damage.

FOR INFORMATION:

CDBG Funding Request – William MacMath, Manager, reported SBWJA is requesting the Centre Hall Mountain Project be considered for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding to construct public sewer infrastructure to service the Centre Hall Mountain area of Spring and Potter Townships. This does not include the very back end of Greensvalley, this is Phase 2 of the Act 537 Plan. The Township must apply for the funding in cooperation with SBWJA. It was on a motion of David Capperella seconded by Terry Perryman to approve applying for the CDBG funding. Unanimously approved motion carried.

Focus Centre County – Community Issues Forum – William MacMath, Manager, reported there will be a meeting at the Bellefonte Middle School on July 30th, 2007 from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. regarding "Focus Centre County" community vision initiative. This is a unique community visioning opportunity. The Foundation is utilizing this opportunity to identify a singular community issue in order to focus and prioritize future efforts in Centre County. Topics will include community education, wellbeing of children and families, housing and community development, economic development, civic engagement, positive human relation and the vitality of civic life.

RESOLUTIONS & ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 03-07 – Spring Township Zoning Ordinance & Map – Frank Royer, Chairman, asked for any comments. David Capperella, Supervisor, requested to review the options again which are:

- 1). 60 days to act upon or must be re-advertised.
- 2). 90 days from today to enact or must hold another public hearing.
- 3). Approve and handle concerns individually through "normal" procedures.
- 4). Delay to try to accomplish concerns and process within one month. In order to make changes they must be minor.

Mr. Capperella then remarked they might as well approve at this point. Tracey Benson, Solicitor, reported once you enact, you have to go through the amendment process to make changes. William MacMath, Manager, reported with the majority of requests received, he does not feel it's anything major that would need to go back to the Nittany Valley Planning Committee. Terry Perryman, Vice-Chairman, reported he does not feel there is anything major that can not be addressed on a one on one basis. Mr. Perryman also reported with the 2 ½ years of planning it is time to move forward. Mr. Capperella remarked all concerns are valid and do not want to hinder addressing them. Mr. Perryman again remarked the need to move forward so individuals know what direction they need to take at this point.

Frank Royer, Chairman, reported he thinks the Planning Commission spent a lot of time on this ordinance, however he is not impressed with the amount of comments received he feels it

could still use some work and is not happy with it but would not stand in the way. It was on a motion of Terry Perryman seconded by David Capperella to approve the Zoning Ordinance and Map No. 03-2007 as presented as the final draft dated May 2, 2007 and with the editorial changes as presented to become effective July 7, 2007. Frank Royer opposed. Motion carried.

Terry Perryman, Vice-Chairman, reported the Supervisors will listen and get things done in a timely fashion, and will also ask the Planning Commission to respond in a timely fashion.

Mike Glass asked the Supervisors to discuss and consider his request.

David Capperella, Supervisor, remarked “this is why I was concerned, we have to be fair to all.” William MacMath, Manager, reported the comments will need to go back to the Planning Commission and go through the process.

Tracey Benson, Solicitor, reported the Township needs to act on the comments by sending them back to the Planning Commission.

CORRESPONDENCE:

William MacMath reported on the following correspondence received.

Chambers Environmental Group – Letter received regarding State Only Operating Permit renewal application notification – Bolton Metal.

Centre County Community Foundation – Letter received thanking the Township for the Memorial Contribution made in honor of John Miller, Jr.

CCMPO – State Funding Crisis – Letter received regarding the State Funding Crisis.

Centre County Planning & Community Development Office – CDBG Income Survey Results – Letter received regarding the CDBG Income Survey Results for Centre Hall Mountain. The results indicate a Low to Moderate Income Rate of 77.07%, which means the service area is eligible for CDBG monies.

CCMPO – Letter received regarding State Transportation Commission Public Hearing 2009 Transportation Program.

Nittany Engineering – Bellefonte Borough - Letter received regarding Bellefonte Borough Authority – Sewage Treatment Plant Capital Improvements.

Donald & Connie Ishler – Letter received thanking the Township for erecting the Deaf Child Area signs as they requested.

BILLS FOR APPROVAL:

It was on a motion of Terry Perryman seconded by David Capperella to approve the bills for the month of June 2007 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 7:42 p.m. Unanimously approved motion carried.

Molly Baird
Recording Secretary