

SPRING TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS
Regular Monthly Meeting
November 3rd, 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. Mr. Royer announced that Terry Perryman, Vice-Chairman, will be co-chairing the meeting to help him since he is still recovering from his illness.

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

OPEN BIDS:

Stone Bid: - The following bids for Stone were opened by William MacMath, Manager, and read by David Capperella, Supervisor.

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| Glenn O. Hawbaker, Inc. - | 300 Tons – Screenings - | \$6.50 |
| | 300 Tons – Anti-Skid - | \$6.50 |
| | 1000 Tons – 2RC - | \$5.50 |
| | 300 Tons – Quarry Waste - | \$5.50 |
| Hanson Aggregates - | 300 Tons – Screenings - | \$7.50 |
| | 300 Tons – Anti-Skid - | \$7.50 |
| | 1000 Tons – 2RC - | \$6.75 |
| | 300 Tons – Quarry Waste - | \$6.50 |

It was on a motion of Frank Royer seconded by David Capperella to award to the apparent low bidder, Glenn O. Hawbaker, Inc., upon review by the Township Manager. Bid is to be awarded in the best interest of Spring Township.

Cold Patch Bid - The following bids for Cold Patch were opened by William MacMath, Manager, and read by David Capperella, Supervisor.

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| <i>Glenn O. Hawbaker, Inc. -</i> | 300 Tons – HMA 9.5 mm Wearing Course - | \$68.00 |
| | 300 Tons – HMA 19 mm Binder Course - | \$54.00 |
| | 300 Tons – cold Patch - | \$92.00 |

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| <i>HRI, Inc.</i> - | 300 Tons – HMA 9.5 mm Wearing Course - | \$59.50 |
| | 300 Tons – HMA 19 mm Binder Course - | \$52.50 |
| | 300 Tons – Cold Patch - | \$73.00 |

It was on a motion of Frank Royer seconded by David Capperella to award to the apparent low bidder, HRI, Inc., upon review by the Township Manager. Bid to be awarded in the best interest of Spring Township. Unanimously approved motion carried.

Sale of T-Tag Truck – (F-350) – William MacMath, Manager, reported since there are two local government units interested in the truck, Central Pennsylvania Institute (C.P.I.) and Centre Hall Borough, no bidding is required if it is sold to another municipality. The following two bids were opened by William MacMath, Manager, and read by David Capperella, Supervisor.

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| <i>C.P.I.</i> - | \$10,000.00 (With Plow & Spreader) |
| <i>Centre Hall</i> - | \$10,500.00 (With Plow & Spreader) |

It was on a motion of Frank Royer seconded by David Capperella to award the truck to Centre Hall Borough in the amount of \$10,500.00. Unanimously approved motion carried.

HEARING OF VISITORS:

No requests to be on agenda.

ACTION ON MINUTES OF OCTOBER 6th, 2008 (Public Mtg. & Reg. Mtg.):

It was on a motion of David Capperella seconded by Terry Perryman to accept the Minutes of October 6th, 2008 as submitted . Frank Royer abstained from voting due to absence at the October meeting. 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 – No Report
- 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 Frank Royer seconded by David Capperella to accept the above reports as submitted. Unanimously approved motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

No Old Business.

NEW BUSINESS:

Rotary Club Donation – Senior Citizens Holiday Dinner – William MacMath, Manager, reported a request was received from the Pleasant Gap Rotary Club for financial contribution toward the annual Senior Citizen's Holiday Dinner. \$300 is budgeted as in the past. It was on a motion of Frank Royer seconded by David Capperella to approve the annual donation of \$300 toward the holiday dinner. Unanimously approved motion carried.

2009 Preliminary Budgets – William MacMath, Manager, reported on the following Preliminary Budgets.

- *Street Light* – This is an increase of 15% over 2008 due to increased costs. So the Street Light Tax will go from \$26 to \$29.
- *State Fund* – Due to less gasoline being used, tax revenues are down and so is our liquid fuel monies by about \$8,000. Paving Project for 2009 is budgeted at \$100,000 and \$20,000 for bridge repair in Coleville. With cost of asphalt and paving to bid at prevailing wage. At this point I'm not sure how much paving will be able to be done.
- *General Fund* – With the economy in the state that it is in and the loss of about 240 jobs in the Township, our income for the year 2008 is going to be very close to budget. For 2009 there will be less than a 1% increase or \$6,500. On the expense side for best projection for 2008 is that we are below budget by approximately 10%. For 2009 proposal is \$40,743 or 2.2% increase. In these uncertain times the Proposed Budget is very conservative.

The Budget includes a 3% increase in wages for non-uniform employees and a 5% increase for the Police as per contract. There are two items that are not included in the budget. One being the Pleasant Gap Park. An estimated cost of \$186,000, should complete the project. However, with same grant monies and with the money in the reserve account there will be approximately \$200,000. Proposing the project to be included in the budget. Another item is if a Sergeant and/or Detective position is created, this additional cost would be approximately \$4,000. If these items would be added to the budget, the increase would be approximately 6%.

Terry Perryman, Vice-Chairman, reported he feels the over-time for the Police Department needs to be monitored more closely, due to continuing to increase. David Capperella, Supervisor, reported hiring an additional officer should actually decrease the amount of over-time. Mr. Perryman commented that he agrees it should, however it has never decreased and he has heard that in the past.

FOR INFORMATION:

Township Offices Closed – Terry Perryman, Vice-Chairman, reported the Township Offices will be closed November 11th for Veteran’s Day and November 27th & 28th for the Thanksgiving holiday.

PSATS – Update on Nationwide Financial – Investments – William MacMath, Manager, reported a letter was received from PSATS regarding Nationwide Financial which is who invests the monies for the Non-Uniform Pension. Letter was to inform everyone invested with Nationwide Financial that the pensions are financially sound.

Logan Grange – Community Night Meeting – William MacMath, Manager, reported letter was received from the Logan Grange inviting anyone interested to join them for fellowship games, refreshments and to hear the Spring Township Police speak on “What you can do to protect your home and property.” Community Night Meeting.

Southern Alleghenies Planning & Development Commission – Wayfinding Signage Program – William MacMath, Manager, reported a letter was received regarding the PA Wayfinding Signage Program which is road signs such as “Motel 6, Number of miles to a particular restaurant etc.” These are the types of signs they are referring to. Signs will be purchased by eligible businesses and installed and maintained by the PA Signing Trust on state and municipal road ways. After brief discussion, Supervisors felt there was no need to participate in the program.

RESOLUTIONS & ORDINANCES:

No Resolutions and/or Ordinances.

CORRESPONDENCE:

No correspondence.

BILLS FOR APPROVAL:

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

William MacMath, Manager, reported a new Bellefonte invoice for fire protection was received and increased \$3,000 which was not included in the budget. Benner Township will not sign a five year agreement. Frank Royer, Chairman, reported the new prison will be located in Benner Township which the Pleasant Gap Fire Company will cover. Mr. MacMath, Manager, reported he does not feel the project will proceed due to no sewer being available at this time.

OPEN FORUM:

- 1) Benjamin Montgomery – Eagle Scout Project Completion
- 2) Brian Henninger – Springfield Shoulder Work Project
- 3) Scott Rhoat – EMS Overview of Service

ADJOURN:

With no further business to discuss, it was on a motion of David Capperella seconded by Frank Royer to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 p.m. Unanimously approved motion carried.

Molly Baird
Recording Secretary