Monday, September 18, 2017

The Penn Township Board of Supervisors met this evening at 6:00 p.m. at the Penn Township Municipal Building, 157 East Airport Road, Butler, Pa 16002 with the Chairman, Samuel M. Ward, presiding. Also present were Supervisors, Douglas A. Roth and Wilbert J. Mowry, Jr.

Land Use Administrator, Clinton A. Bonetti and 2 Township residents and visitors were also present. Township Manager, Linda D. Zerfoss was absent.

Minutes – 08/21/17

Motion by Supervisor Ward and seconded by Supervisor Roth that there being no additions or corrections to the minutes of the meeting held Monday, August 21, 2017 they be approved as presented. There being no questions or comments from the audience, the motion carried.

Rex Energy – Steve Harris and John Rufer presented information regarding the Hofer Gas Well Pad on Anderson Road. Mr. Harris stated that the pad construction will begin construction mid-October and will take approximately two months to complete. He also stated that the drilling will begin early winter and fracking will begin in Spring.

Correspondence

Saxonburg Community Library – Saxonburg Library is now on the internet.

Penn Township Community Day – Thank you letter from Ms. Loretta Donaldson and Ms. Donna Bryant.

Pennsylvania Department of Transportation – Penn Township will receive $251,476.86 for the 2018 liquid fuels.

Butler County Planning Commission – Various meetings will be held in Butler County for Public Outreach.

Seminars

The following seminar has been scheduled for any municipal employee or official to attend:

One day presentation for interviewing child and adult victims with disabilities, to be held on September 13, 2017 at the Butler County Community College.

MS4 program management held on October 25 at the Richland Township Municipal Building.

BCATO 35th Safety Seminar will be held on October 11 at the Tanglewood - Coleman Hall.

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Seminars - Continued

Motion by Supervisor Roth and seconded by Supervisor Mowry that any municipal employee or official be authorized to attend. There being no questions or comments from the audience, the motion carried.

Treasurer’s Report

Mr. Bonetti read the list of invoices paid since the last report was read on July 17, 2017. Township Fund: $107,579.39, Fire Tax Fund: $18,796.60, Municipal Pension Fund: $324.08, Police Pension Fund: $240.09, Act 13 Impact Fee: $243,000.00. Deposits into the various funds totaled $63,081.58. Balances were read as follows: Township Fund: $1,085,561.86, Fire Tax Fund: $109,777.11, Act 13 Impact Fund: $642,541.47, Municipal Pension: $500,430.83, Police Pension: $1,078,736.04, State Fund: $352,355.64. Motion by Supervisor Mowry and seconded by Supervisor Ward that the Treasurer’s Report be approved. There being no questions or comments from the audience, the motion carried.

Zoning Department

Mr. Bonetti reported on June, July and August Zoning Reports.

Mr. Bonetti submitted the Hunter Truck Sales Site Plan. Mr. Mike Ogin, from Gateway Engineers, discussed the development of the Site plan on Route 8 for approval. Motion by Supervisor Ward and seconded by Supervisor Roth that the Hunter Truck Sales Site Plan be approved with the condition that they meet the conditions listed in the HRG Engineers letter, dated September 15, 2017. There being no questions or comments from the audience, the motion carried.

Police Department

Mr. Bonetti read the Police report for August 2017.

Mr. Bonetti stated that the Animal control report for August was submitted.

Mr. Bonetti stated that the Penn Township Police received a $3,000.00 donation from the Saelor - Solkovy Memorial Ride. Corporal Ripper and Manager Zerfoss assisted them on the day of the Memorial Ride.

Mr. Bonetti stated that the new police unit has been delivered to Day Ford.

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Police Department – Continued

Mr. Bonetti submitted a quote from YIS/Cowden Group to install Vascar for the new police car at the cost of $1,068.00. Motion by Supervisor Roth and seconded by Supervisor Mowry to approve the YIS/Cowden proposal to install Vascar in the new police unit, at a cost of $1,068.00. There being no questions or comments from the audience, the motion carried.

Road Department

Motion by Supervisor Roth and seconded by Supervisor Mowry to shoot the new paving berms with an asphalt emulsion on Dodds, Robinson Run and Three Degree Roads at a cost not to exceed $10,000.00. There being no questions or comments from the audience, the motion carried.

Supervisor Roth stated that numerous stop signs have been stolen and would like the residents be observant and report any suspicious activity, because a missing stop sign can create a hazardous condition.

Recycling Report

Mr. Bonetti stated that the 2016 recycling grant has been submitted for review.

Parks and Recreation Department

Motion by Supervisor Roth and seconded by Supervisor Mowry to purchase recycling and trash bins for the Harcrest Park at a cost not to exceed $4,000.00. There being no questions or comments from the audience, the motion carried.

Motion by Supervisor Mowry and seconded by Supervisor Ward to advertise scope of work for the Harcrest Park Maintenance Building. There being no questions or comments from the audience, the motion carried.

Public Relations Department

Supervisor Ward stated that the Penn Township Community Day Committee is now looking for new volunteers for the Community Day event next year.

Mr. Ward stated the Mr. Steve Zavacky, a longtime resident and military veteran, passed away.

Old Business

None.

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New Business

Bronder Technical Services – Mr. Bonetti read a statement that Bronder will not be involved in traffic light maintenance anymore.

Motion by Supervisor Ward and seconded by Supervisor Roth to have Traffic Control Equipment and Supplies Co., Inc. maintain the Penn Township traffic control devices. There being no questions or comments from the audience, the motion carried.

Motion by Supervisor Roth and seconded by Supervisor Mowry to purchase a new computer for Mr. Bonetti. There being no questions or comments from the audience, the motion carried.

Act 537 – Saxonburg Authority

Supervisor Roth reported that at the last authority meeting they will be replacing the terracotta tile sanitary sewer on Tower Road.

Audience Participation

Erma Mowry asked that anyone giving a presentation should use a microphone.

Erma Mowry asked if the Board will be considering tax relief for volunteer fire fighters.

Erma Mowry asked about the Harcrest Park rules being posted.

Nancy Swisher asked about truck traffic on Three Degree Road.

Charles Doughty asked about the road surface on Anderson Road.

Paul Beining asked if Anderson Road will have a road bond.

Will Burns spoke regarding a park in Venango County.

Supervisor Ward seeing no further audience participation requested a motion to adjourn. Motion by Supervisor Mowry and seconded by Supervisor Ward. There being no questions or comments from the audience, the motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 7:05 p.m.

Approved: Respectfully Submitted:

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Samuel M. Ward Clinton A. Bonetti

Chairman Land Use Administrator

Board of Supervisors Penn Township