

Tuesday, February 5, 2002

The Penn Township Board of Supervisors met this evening at the Penn Township Municipal Building, 157 East Airport Road, Butler, PA 16002 at 7:30 p.m. with the Chairman, Samuel M. Ward, presiding. Also, present were Supervisors Douglas A. Roth and Jason L. Campagna.

Township Manager, Gregory A. Primm and six Township residents were also present.

Minutes - 01-15-02

Motion by Supervisor Roth and seconded by Supervisor Campagna there being no additions or corrections to the minutes of the meeting held Tuesday, January 15, 2002 be unanimously approved as presented. There being no questions or comments from the audience, the motion carried.

Correspondence

Legislative Locator - A monthly newsletter dated January 2002 on Governor's Task Force on Security, Newly Enacted Legislation, and Bills on the Move.

Department of Environmental Protection - Notice that George Williams has applied for a renewal of national Pollutant Discharge Elimination Systems Permit #PA 0102644. This permit allows the discharge of treated sewage.

PSATS Annual Road & Bridge Safety Awards Competition - Memo dated January 22, 2002 announcing the deadline for municipalities to enter the road and bridge safety improvement contest is March 2, 2002.

Connoquenessing Watershed Alliance, Inc. - Copy of their minutes from their meeting held January 2, 2002.

Triangle Gasoline - Letter dated January 8, 2002 in accordance with their Spill Response Plan that Penn Township is on their downstream notification list. Their inventory at the end of 2001 is as follows: gasoline - 7,824 gallons, distillates - 50,426 gallons, bulk lubricants - 20,960 gallons, bulk anti-freeze - 819 gallons.

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Correspondence - Continued

MSW Generator/Transformer - Copy of the Annual Reporting Form dated January 14, 2002.

Seminars

The following seminars have been scheduled:

Time and Stress Management, 03/05, Mountain View Inn,
Westmoreland County
Municipal Secretary's Desktop Reference Manual, 05/16,
Cranberry Township Council Chambers
Statewide Building Code, 03/04, Cranberry Township
Council Chambers
Major Land Use Laws in Pennsylvania, 04/26, 0830 - 4:30
Crime Mapping and GIS for Law Enforcement at Green
Tree Municipal Building, 02/28, 0830 - 12:00
The Reality of Crisis, Slippery Rock University,
04/08, 15, 22 or 29, 05/13 or 20, 06/03 or 10

Motion by Supervisor Campagna and seconded by Supervisor Roth that all involved be authorized to attend. There being no questions or comments from the audience, the motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

The Township Manager read the Treasurer's Report and presented the list of invoices paid since the last report was given on January 15, 2002. Township Fund: \$42,187.89, Fire Tax Fund: \$3,471.80, State Fund: \$6,291.59. Deposits into the various Township Funds totaled \$28,978.59. Balances were read as follows: Township Fund: \$177,554.00, Fire Tax Fund: \$32,935.20, State Fund: \$2,609.02, Municipal Pension Fund: \$149,684.76, Police Pension Fund: \$663,133.53. Motion by Supervisor Roth and seconded by Supervisor Campagna that the Treasurer's Report be approved. There being no questions or comments from the audience, the motion carried.

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Zoning Department

Land Use Administrator, Clinton A. Bonetti, presented his report for January 2002. 3 Building Permits were issued for a total of \$170.00, 2 Septic Applications were filed for a total of \$825.00, 14 Lien Letters were issued for a total of \$145.00, 5 Land Development Applications were filed for a total of \$200.00, 1 Zoning Letter was issued for a total of \$15.00 and 2 Ordinance Books were sold for a total of \$40.00. Total zoning fees for January 2002 were \$1,395.00.

The Township Manager read a letter from the Butler County Planning Commission dated January 18, 2002. They advised at their regular meeting held January 16, 2002 they gave a favorable review to the following plan with one comment:

Kingan Plan - 1 lot and remnant. They questioned if lot 2 is a remnant, then it needs to be marked as such on the plan.

Clinton Bonetti talked about the Comprehensive Plan. We now have a draft copy of it. He will review the Plan with the Planning Commission at their next meeting.

Police Department

The Township Manager read the Police Report for January 2002 as prepared and submitted by Linda D. Furka, Administrative Assistant.

He also read the Animal Control Officers report for January 2002. There were 5 calls for January.

Road Department

Supervisor/Road Superintendent Doug Roth requested approval to purchase garage door openers at \$527.00 per door. There are 6 doors with the total being \$3,162.00 plus electric work. Motion by Supervisor Campagna and seconded by Supervisor Roth to purchase 6 garage door openers at a total of \$3,162.00 plus electric work. There being no questions or comments from the audience, the motion carried.

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Recycling Report

Supervisor Roth reported a meeting was held 2 weeks ago with Municipal Services regarding pipe liners.

Public Relations Department

It was discussed by the Board that the Township Manager should get in touch with the South Butler County School District about Penn Elementary. The Board believes that we have an interest in what happens to the school once it closes and this should be related to Dr. Pisani, School Superintendent.

Old Business

None.

New Business

A proposed settlement agreement drafted by Solicitor Lope was read regarding the Amusement Tax. The Board reviewed the Agreement. Motion by Supervisor Roth and seconded by Supervisor Campagna to approve the agreement as written to be submitted to the court so that it may be presented as an Order of Court. There being no questions or comments from the audience, the motion carried. Solicitor Lope also provided an amended Amusement Tax ordinance, which would need amended once the Order of Court is complete.

The Board also reviewed a proposed Burning Ordinance Amendment, which would provide for a limitation on fires and open burning where an affected individual has a medically documented condition. Several residents addressed concerns about the proposed changes. Motion by Supervisor Campagna and seconded by Supervisor Roth to advertise the proposed Burning Ordinance Amendment and the Amusement Tax Ordinance when appropriate. There being no questions or comments from the audience, the motion carried.

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Act 537

The Township Manager was instructed to contact Bill Crawford of DEP regarding the status of Act 537.

Audience Participation

Nancy Swisher - Inquired if the Township did anything with the Chester Stepp memorial donation. The Township Manager replied nothing has been done yet.

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

The meeting adjourned at approximately 8:40 p.m.

Approved:

Respectfully Submitted:

Samuel M. Ward
Chairman
Board of Supervisors

Gregory A. Primm
Township Manager
Township of Penn