

Tuesday, January 20, 2004

The Penn Township Board of Supervisors met this evening 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 Jason L. Campagna.

Township Manager, Gregory A. Primm, and 16 Township residents were also present.

Minutes - 01-06-04

Motion by Supervisor Roth and seconded by Supervisor Campagna that there being no additions or corrections to the minutes of the meeting held Monday, January 6, 2004 be unanimously approved as presented. There being no questions or comments from the audience, the motion carried.

Members of the Penn Township History Committee were present to ask the board if we were ready for them to transfer the assets of the committee as well as accept the artifacts they have collected during the process of completing the Penn Panorama book. The committee is folding and wants to ensure proper storage of the items for them to be protected as well as turn over the assets to a new history committee which would be sponsored by the township. They offered to buy a cabinet to store the items in the basement of the municipal building. A motion was given by Chairman Ward to have the solicitor prepare a resolution to create the township sponsored history committee, seconded by Supervisor Roth and the motion carried.

Correspondence

VOICe - Newsletter dated January 2004 on Child Abuse: Lost Innocence, VOICe Reflections, Annual Mardis Gras Gala, and Abuse Knows No Boundaries.

Saxonburg Area Library - Copy of the minutes from their Board of Trustee Meeting November 13. They also advised there was no meeting in December and would be no meeting in February 2004.

Seminars

The following seminar was scheduled:

PELRAS Annual Training Conference, State College,
03/31 - 04/02

Motion by Supervisor Ward 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 list of invoices paid since the last report was read on January 6, 2004. Township Fund: \$35,982.57, Fire Tax Fund: \$12,742.96, State Fund: \$3,179.44. Deposits into the various township funds totaled \$5,238.01. Balances were read as follows: Township Fund: \$61,904.61, Fire Tax Fund: \$18,466.47, State Fund: \$1,993.52, Municipal Pension Fund: \$142,970.05, Police Pension Fund: \$627,692.07. Motion by Supervisor Campagna 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

The Succop Conservancy Site Plan, Phase 1 was presented for approval. Motion by Supervisor Roth and seconded by Supervisor Campagna the Succop Conservancy Site Plan, Phase 1 be approved. There being no questions or comments from the audience, the motion carried.

The Richard Furl Site Plan was presented for approval. Motion by Supervisor Ward and seconded by Supervisor Roth that the Richard Furl Site Plan be approved pending stormwater management is shown on the plan. There being no questions or comments from the audience, the motion carried.

Greg Primm, Township Manager, read a memo from PSATS dated January 8 regarding the Statewide Building Code Implementation (Act 45 of 1999). The PA Department of Labor & Industry is estimating that the municipal election period (opt in, opt out) will begin April 9 and run through July 8. All townships must notify L&I of their decision before the statewide building code takes effect. Any township that fails to mail the required notification postmarked on or before August 7, will have opted out of the statewide code enforcement by default. Mr. Primm further discussed our joint UCC compliance agency has been meeting to comply by the deadline.

Police Department

Mr. Primm presented to the Board the police report for December 2003 as well as the Annual Reports for the year 2003 as prepared and submitted by Linda D. Furka, Administrative Assistant.

He also presented the Annual Animal Control Report.

Road Department

Road Superintendent Roth discussed snow removal.

Recycling Report

No report.

Public Relations Department

Erma Mowry reported on the E.I.T.C. election Meeting. Sam Ward and Leonard Haney were voted in as members of the Earned Income Tax Committee in accordance with the new Intergovernmental Operation Agreement.

Old Business

Mr. Primm reported the newsletter is at the printers.

New Business

Mr. Primm read a copy of a letter from the Butler Area Sewer Authority to Mr. Kurt H. Todd regarding the Pine Needles Estates Sewage Facilities Planning Module. They advised that the application is being returned without action. Before they can act on this Penn Township would have to adopt an ordinance requiring mandatory sewer testing and inspection for realty transfers for any area in which sewers are provided pursuant to the service agreement, and which is mutually acceptable to the municipalities in the Authority's service area. Until Penn Township enters into an intermunicipal service agreement with the Authority, the Authority cannot accept or review any additional plans that propose service to the portion of the property located in Penn Township. R. Primm also discussed with the board that he referred this matter to Paul Cornetti of the SAA because technically this property is to be served by the SAA.

He also advised there would be a CDBG hearing at the next meeting beginning at 7:00 p.m.

Act 537 Update

Mr. Primm submitted to the Board the minutes from the Sewage Treatment Expansion Project meeting. He also reported that the aerial photography of Penn Township has been completed with Middlesex being redone. There are no significant contaminants. They are in excellent financial shape in Clinton Township due to the Aldi warehouse. The Sewage Provider's Agreement needs to be signed February 3 and the Township needs a Resolution adopting the plan. A water feasibility study is to be done for Penn and Middlesex Townships. The cintering plant, US Steel, has an endless supply of water. The cost was estimated to be \$7.00 for 1,000 gallons.

Audience Participation

Sgt Cranmer expressed thanks from herself and the other members of the police department to the Road Department for their fine work.

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

The meeting adjourned at approximately 8:20 p.m.

Approved:

Respectfully Submitted:

Samuel M. Ward
Chairman
Board of Supervisors

Gregory A. Primm
Township Manager
Township of Penn