

Chairman Barry Rebert called the regularly scheduled meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Supervisors present: Dennis Luckenbaugh and Tanya Crawford. Present on behalf of the Township: Manager Joy Strausbaugh, Solicitor William Poole. Also present: Recording Secretary and about twenty (20) citizens.

Mr. Rebert noted that the Board of Supervisors met in Executive Session prior to this meeting at 6:00 p.m. on a personnel issue.

I. Minutes

**Motion** by Crawford, second by Luckenbaugh, to approve the minutes of the meetings of November 18, 2008, and December 16, 2008. All members voted aye; motion carried.

II. Treasurer's Report

A. **Motion** by Luckenbaugh, second by Crawford, to approve the Treasurer's Report for December 2008 as presented. All members voted aye; motion carried.

III. General Public Comment

Rodney Shearer of 5244 Shearer Lane commented on the Township's personnel policy and employee evaluations, questioning the firing of one Township employee. Evidently the individual had glowing evaluations prior to his being fired. Mr. Shearer cannot understand how that could happen in less than a year, particularly with positive, almost perfect evaluations and no complaints by Township residents.

He reminded the Board that a previous Manager was the subject of many, many complaints by residents and yet no action was taken against that individual. He also asked if the Chief of Police were to say that he was seeking employment elsewhere, would the board hire a part-time chief. Unknown, that would be up to the Board..

IV. Police Report and Police Board Report

Chief Bean gave the report for December 2008 and also gave a video presentation of a police in-car camera segment. Eventually, six (6) of seven (7) of the police cars will have these in-car digital cameras. The DVDs will be stored for two years. Chief Bean noted that he is not seeking employment elsewhere.

Mr. Rebert reported that the Police Board met for reorganization last week. Officers were appointed and committee members assigned with Mr. Rebert being elected as Chairman of that Board. There are two (2) new members to the Police Board.

V. Fire Company Report

Fire Chief Larry Wildasin gave the Fire Report for December 2008. He noted that the NCT Fire Department received a SAFE grant of \$8,695 to be used for fire fighting equipment and supplies for the Rescue truck. The medical team received a grant from the Federation in the amount of \$2,294 which is a match type of grant, to be used for medical equipment on the trucks. NCT members are hosting a first responder class to acquire re-certification for their members and those of surrounding companies and ambulance associations. Other classes and re-certifications are also being offered.

VI. Permits, Plans, and Modules

A. David A. Boeckel Final S/D Plan #L-5025 located on Fire Hall and Sunnyside Roads - The

Township is in receipt of a letter from the new owners' attorney stating that they do not wish to pursue this S/D plan. Atty. John Stitt on Boeckel's behalf requested that this plan be withdrawn. Unfortunately, there are outstanding fees of \$645.64. The Township's only recourse is to pursue the collection in a civil suit. **Motion** by Rebert, second by Crawford, to accept the withdrawal of the David Boeckel Final S/D Plan # L-5025. All members voted aye; motion carried. On the matter of the funds due, the parties are involved in a bankruptcy proceeding, so there might not be funds to collect. It might cost more to file a civil suit and try to get the funds. Mr. Poole does not recommend pursuing this option. Consensus of the Board was to forget it.

VII. Administrative Reports

A. Manager's Report

Nothing at this time.

B. Engineer's Report

No Engineer present; no report.

C. Solicitor's Report

1. **Motion** by Luckenbaugh, second by Crawford, to adopt Resolution #03-01-2009, appointing the CPA Firm of Smith Elliott Kearns and Company to audit the financial records of NCT for 2008, at a cost not to exceed \$7,450. All members voted aye; motion carried.

2. Chairman Rebert opened a hearing on Ordinance #207-01-2009, which sets the compensation of its Tax Collector for the next elected term, beginning in 2010. Hearing no comments or questions, the hearing was closed. **Motion** by Crawford, second by Rebert, to adopt Ordinance #207-01-2009, setting the compensation of the Tax Collector. All members voted aye; motion carried.

3. Mr. Poole reported on the Intermunicipal Agreement for the use of building codes and zoning services jointly with New Freedom Borough. Does the Board want a formalized written agreement? Is this temporary until a Zoning Officer is hired? Yes, it is temporary; however, such an agreement has to be backed up by an Ordinance. The Board, at its January 5<sup>th</sup> meeting, appointed in general an intergovernmental agency to act as BCO and Zoning Officer on behalf of the Township.

VIII. Old Business

A. **Motion** by Crawford, second by Luckenbaugh, to authorize the Solicitor to prepare an ordinance pursuant to the traffic study results for Sunnyside and Martin Roads and Hickory View Drive, and to advertise the same. All members voted aye; motion carried.

IX. New Business

A. **Motion** by Crawford, second by Rebert, to appoint James R. Holley and Associates as the Township Engineer for 2009. Two members voted aye; *Luckenbaugh opposed*. Motion carried.

X. Announcements

A. The Rec Board will meet on January 26<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m.

B. The Planning Commission will meet on January 27<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m.

C. The Board of Supervisors will meet on February 17<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m.

D. The SWRPD Board will meet on February 11<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. at 6115 Thoman Drive

- E. The Sewer Authority will meet on February 16<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m.
- F. The Zoning Hearing Board meeting is scheduled for February 19<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m.

Rodney Shearer asked if Chairman Rebert heard the results of Bob Rebert's court case. Mr. Shearer wants to make sure that his own farm in North Codorus Township is indeed in the Ag Security area. He feels that when his farm was placed in the Ag Security program in 2002, it was not done according to the letter of the law, and he is concerned that it is not actually in the program. It was noted that the Ag Security areas and policies will be reviewed this year.

**Motion** by Crawford, second by Luckenbaugh, to adjourn. All members voted aye; motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joy Ann Strausbaugh, Secretary