

Chairman John B. Rebert called the regularly scheduled meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the following in attendance:

Supervisor Dennis Luckenbaugh  
Supervisor Tanya Crawford

Mark E. Derr, Manager  
William Poole, Solicitor  
Julie B. Maher, Recording Secretary  
9 citizens

**I. Minutes**

**Motion** by Crawford, second by Luckenbaugh, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of August 18, 2009. All members voted aye; motion carried.

**II. Treasurer's Report**

A. **Motion** by Luckenbaugh, second by Crawford, to approve the Treasurer's Report for August 2009 as presented. All members voted aye; motion carried.

**III. General Public Comment**

Lou Vecchioni, 2851 Myers Rd., had a complaint about people mowing their grass and directing the grass into the roads. He feels that it's not appropriate, is dangerous to motorists, and is akin to littering. Mrs. Crawford said that perhaps the police department would treat this complaint as a littering complaint. She mentioned that the debris washes into the storm drains and causes blockages resulting in water accumulating on the roads. The Township Manager was asked to contact the Police Chief to determine how their department handles this type of complaint. If Mr. Vecchioni provides the address perhaps a letter can be sent.

Christine Reimold, 1974 Meadow Lane, asked about regulations concerning four-wheelers and how late they can be used in a neighborhood. The vehicle is on private property but occasionally goes out onto Lehman Road. She was told that she could call the police and inform them of the situation, and she could request that the police send a letter to the offending party. It was noted that the Township does not have a nuisance or noise ordinance.

**IV. Police Report and Police Board Report**

Mr. Rebert presented the police report for August 2009. Budget negotiations are continuing. With 66% of the year gone, only 60% of the budget has been spent, which is always good.

V. **Fire Company Report**

Larry Wildasin gave the Fire Company reports for July and August 2009.

VI. **Permits, Plans, and Modules**

None at this time.

VII. **Administrative Reports**

## A. Manager's Report

1. **Motion** by Crawford, second by Rebert, to adopt Resolution 14-09-2009, a Supplemental Appropriation for Tax Collector Commissions. All members voted aye; motion carried.

2. **Motion** by Rebert, second by Crawford, to adopt Resolution 15-09-2009, transferring unencumbered monies from the Salary of Elected Officials to various accounts for contributions to non-profit agencies. Two members voted aye; Luckenbaugh *opposed*. Motion carried.

By way of explanation of this issue, and in response to Mr. Luckenbaugh's question, Mrs. Crawford explained that she declines her salary as a Township Supervisor, and requested that instead, the Board direct the money to needy organizations. This was previously approved by the Board of Supervisors and the Township, instead of paying Mrs. Crawford, pays what she would have received to these various outside organizations. Mr. Luckenbaugh is opposed because the Township sends the checks to the charitable organizations. He feels that the Township should pay Mrs. Crawford, and she should then write the checks to whatever organizations she chooses. Mrs. Crawford explained that if the Township were to pay her, it would show up as a payroll expense, requiring matching FICA and other deductions. By having the Township write the checks directly to the outside organization (to which the Township already makes donations), there is no payroll cost to the Township, and the deduction shows up as a regular expense for the Township.

3. Mr. Derr presented a proposal from Health America health insurance which represents a savings of over \$120,000.00 in comparison to the proposal from the Township's current carrier. The proposal provides for a \$1,000 per person and \$2,000 per family deductible. He also proposed that the Township establish a health savings account, which would help to fund the deductibles. The money would remain with the Township and would be drawn out to help the employees pay their deductibles.

**Motion** by Luckenbaugh, second by Rebert, to approve the Health America plan proposal AND to institute the health savings plan. All members voted aye; motion carried.

Mr. Derr asked if the Board members would consider reimbursement for employees who could obtain insurance coverage through a spouse's plan rather than through the Township's plan. Mr. Derr will provide the Board with additional details, including specific numbers.

4. **Motion** by Crawford, second by Luckenbaugh, to accept the SPCA's proposal for the Animal Care and Housing Agreement at a cost of \$3,958.00 for 2010. All members voted

aye; motion carried.

5. Hemler Animal Control Service provides Dog Law Enforcement and the service of returning the animals to their owners or transporting the animals to the animal shelter. State Law provides for a charge of up to \$50 for a return to owner fee. This fee is then used to offset the amount charged to the Township for Dog Law Enforcement. Mr. Hemler asked if the Board is interested in increasing the fee to the \$50 permitted by the State.

**Motion** by Crawford, second by Rebert, to increase the RTO fee to \$50 as proposed by Hemler Animal Control Service. All members voted aye; motion carried.

6. **Motion** by Crawford, second by Luckenbaugh, to authorize payment for the Township's elected and appointed officials to attend the York County Association of Townships of the Second Class. All members voted aye; motion carried.

7. A Budget Meeting was set for 4 p.m. on October 7, 2009. The Board members noted that by recessing rather than adjourning tonight's regular meeting, the Township can save the expense of advertising the budget meeting. However, to provide additional notice, the information will be posted on the website and on the front door of the Township Office.

#### B. Engineer's Report

1. Mr. Derr noted that the chevrons have been ordered for the sharp curve on Noss Road. The Engineer is reviewing the situation to determine what else can be done. The resident has placed large boulders on the property to protect it from any vehicles which may leave the roadway.

2. The John Shearer Partnership has requested a reduction in their letter of credit which has been provided to the Engineer for review. An approved E&S plan has been provided for the work being performed on Panther Hill Road. However, it does not appear that the stormwater controls proposed on the original plan will work because the developer needs a stormwater easement from the downhill property owner who is unwilling to provide one. A revision to the original plan may be needed. The Township Engineer and staff are working with the developer to determine an acceptable alternative.

#### C. Solicitor's Report

1. No report.

### VIII. Old Business

None at this time.

### IX. New Business

A. Mr. Luckenbaugh reported that he received a call from the P. H. Glatfelter Company requesting a meeting about the Route 116 bridge in Spring Grove. The company wants to keep the center line at its present location due to the impacts on the plant. The State's original plan

proposes to move the bridge 25 feet closer to York which would allow them to keep the bridge open during construction. If the centerline remains as is, the road would have to be closed and a by-pass around Spring Grove would be needed. It was also noted that the Spring Grove residents and the P. H. Glatfelter Company would like the County to include as a long-term goal a permanent bypass around Spring Grove in the Transportation Improvement Plan. Mr. Luckenbaugh thought that representatives from P. H. Glatfelter would be present at tonight's meeting, but no one was available to provide additional input. It was estimated that to reconstruct the bridge in its current location would take approximately six months. To shut it down to one lane and shift the bridge the 25 feet could take up to two years.

X. **Announcements**

- A. The Recreation Board will meet on September 28 at 7 p.m.
- B. The Planning Commission will meet on September 22 at 7 p.m.
- C. The Board of Supervisors will meet on October 20 at 7 p.m.
- D. The SWRPD Board will meet on October 14 at 7 p.m.
- E. The Sewer Authority will meet on September 21 at 7 p.m.
- F. The Zoning Hearing Board will meet on September 17 at 7 p.m.

Larry Wildasin asked about the status of the Lehman Road and Route 516 project, is there any word on a time frame? The latest information received indicates that the project has been pushed back to 2011.

Nelson Brenneman asked if the SPCA provides a monthly report about the animals that have been taken there. He thought the amount that the Township pays seems high for the few animals that are taken there. Mr. Derr can request a report from the SPCA; however, the charge is for the availability of the service, not a charge per animal.

**Motion** by Crawford, second by Rebert, to recess the meeting at 7:39 PM until October 7, 2009 at 4:00 PM at which time the Board will review a draft of the budget and consider any other business which may come before the Board at that time.

Respectfully submitted,

Mark Derr  
Township Secretary/Manager

Julie B. Maher,  
Recording Secretary