

MINUTES OF NOCKAMIXON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

May 15, 2014

The regularly scheduled meeting for May was held on Thursday, May 15, 2014 in the Township Building in Ferndale, PA. Vice Chairman, Carl Bahnck opened the meeting at 7:30 P.M. with a salute to the flag.

Members Present:

Carl Bahnck, Vice-Chair
Nancy Alessi
Frank Ganiszewski

Others in attendance:

Attorney:
Jordan B. Yeager, Esq.

Treasurer:

Keith DeLuca

Secretary:

Heather DiSario

SCHEDULING:

The schedule for the month was reviewed by Vice-Chairman, Carl Bahnck.

MINUTES OF MEETING:

A motion was made by N. Alessi, seconded by F. Ganiszewski, to approve the minutes of the April 17, 2014 Board of Supervisors meeting as presented. The motion carried 3-0-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT: none

PUBLIC HEARING: none

STAFF REPORTS:

a. Public Works Report, April 2014 - A motion was made by F. Ganiszewski, seconded by N. Alessi, to approve the April 2014 Public Works Report as presented. The motion carried 3-0-0.

b. Treasurer's Report:

Keith DeLuca gave the report.

The CDBG Grant application was submitted on April 25, 2014. Two years of a budgeted \$1500 yearly donation from the Township to the Eastern Bucks Senior Center have been added to this month's bill list.

There was discussion regarding the ongoing dumping of large household items and other unaccepted items in and around the Township recycling bins. K. DeLuca suggested looking into purchasing a camera monitoring system at the estimated cost of \$1500. N. Alessi suggested also looking into keeping the contents of the recycling bins better contained to keep the trash from blowing around and onto neighboring properties.

Since the Primary Election and General Elections have been moved to outside the Township Building, it was suggested to take those two days that the office would be closed and move them to the Fridays preceding the Memorial and Labor Day holidays.

A motion was made by F. Ganiszewski, seconded by N. Alessi, to change the two Township holidays to the Friday preceding the Memorial Day and Labor Day weekends. The motion carried 3-0-0.

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There was a discussion regarding liquid fuels bids. In order to complete tar and chipping, the proposal is to buy the materials from Co-Stars and rent a machine and/or operator from AMS. K. DeLuca will give J. Yeager a breakdown of cost between the materials and the labor so he can look into the matter.

Bills being presented tonight: from the General Fund, \$51,172.56; State Fund, \$2083.37; Fire & EMS Tax Distributions, \$107,288.18; Open Space Fund, \$3443.40 and from the Escrow Fund, \$808.97.

Transfers requested tonight: Open Space to General Fund, \$1485.00.

A motion was made by N. Alessi, seconded by F. Ganiszewski, to authorize advertisement of the concise financial statement. The motion carried 3-0-0.

A motion was made by F. Ganiszewski, seconded by N. Alessi, to approve the May 2014 Treasurer's Report as presented. The motion carried 3-0-0.

A motion was made by N. Alessi, seconded by F. Ganiszewski, to approve the May 2014 Bills List as presented. The motion carried 3-0-0.

A motion was made by N. Alessi, seconded by F. Ganiszewski, to approve the transfer of \$1485.00 from Open Space to the General Fund. The motion carried 3-0-0.

There was a brief discussion regarding the publishing of another Township newsletter. It was suggested to have all interested committees submit any information for publication by the end of June.

c. Zoning Report-

A motion was made by seconded by N. Alessi, seconded by F. Ganiszewski, to approve the May 2014 Zoning Report as presented. The motion carried 3-0-0.

COMMITTEE ACTION ITEMS:

A motion was made by N. Alessi, seconded by F. Ganiszewski, to authorize the Park and Recreation Board to purchase a commercial volley ball net not to exceed \$400, and three park benches not to exceed \$1500. The motion carried 3-0-0.

There was a discussion regarding EAC reports noting some areas of concern at the Cabot site. J. Yeager asked that EAC convert their report to a Word document form.

There was also a discussion regarding calculation of the quarry bond amount and reclamation plan. J. Yeager will touch base with the Township Engineer regarding the matters.

A motion was made by N. Alessi, seconded by F. Ganiszewski, to authorize the planting of a tree in Veteran's Park in honor the Keeblers' who are retiring from coaching after 20 years. The motion carried 3-0-0.

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SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

J. Yeager gave an update on the Gorham Conservation Easement. The document will be ready tomorrow for recording and then can be advertised. It was suggested to have a bid packet available at the Township Building for review.

J. Yeager reported that a decision is expected on the Act 13 Case by next month.

DCNR has requested from area townships copies of any reports or data that address the geologic aspects of the Township's area. J. Yeager asked the BNT and EAC to gather data for submission to the DCNR and will be in contact with those committees.

SUBDIVISIONS:

a. **Smith Minor Subdivision - TMP# 30-11-17-3 grants extension to 8/30/2014**
A motion was made by N. Alessi, seconded by F. Ganiszewski, to accept the extension. The motion carried 3-0-0.

LAND DEVELOPMENT:

OLD BUSINESS:

- a. Cabot Corp - previously discussed.
- b. Hidden Valley - no new information.
- c. Eastern Upper Bucks Senior Center 2013-2014 Donation - previously discussed.

NEW BUSINESS:

- a. **Acknowledgement of Central Bucks Bicycle Club 31st Annual Covered Bridge Ride through Township** - The Board acknowledges the presence of the event.
- b. **BNT By-Law Revisions** - tabled to be discussed with BNT at a work session to be held tentatively on July 24.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- a. **Emergency Management** - no report
- b. **Environmental Advisory Committee** - previously discussed.
- c. **BNT Ground Water Committee** - previously discussed
- d. **Open Space Committee** - no report.
- e. **Park & Recreation Board**- previously discussed.
- f. **Nockamixon Historic Commission**- no report.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by F. Ganiszewski, seconded by N. Alessi, to adjourn the Board of Supervisors meeting at 9:00 p.m. The motion carried 3-0-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Heather DiSario
Recording Secretary