

**MINUTES OF NOCKAMIXON TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
March 16, 2011**

The regular scheduled meeting for March was held on March 16, 2011 in the Township building in Ferndale, PA. Chairperson, N. Janyszeski opened the meeting at 7:40 P.M. with a salute to the flag. Other members present: Vice-Chairman Wm. Sadow, Jr. Supervisors B. Keyser, A. Santopietro and C. Bahnck. Other attendees: Secretary, A. Eichlin and Treasurer, K. DeLuca.

SCHEDULING:

The schedule for the month was reviewed by Chairperson, N. Janyszeski. One addition: Delaware River Wild & Scenic Meeting: Tuesday, March 29, 2011 @ 7:00 P.M.

- A donation in the amount of \$3,000.00 was given to The Lord's Pantry last month.
- Delaware River Basin Commission Hearing Cancelled (Arbor Resources): A refund of \$3,000.00 will be sent to the Township.
- N. Janyszeski, Wm. Sadow, Jr, the Township Solicitor and Engineer attended a follow-up meeting in Norristown regarding the Act 537 Plan.
- A business has been leaving water bottles at the home of Township residents advising that they will test your well water for free. They do not have a permit to solicit in the Township, nor is it associated with the current PADEP testing.

MINUTES OF MEETING:

- A motion was made by C. Bahnck, seconded by Wm. Sadow, Jr., to approve the February 16, 2011 minutes as presented. The motion carried 5-0-0.
- A motion was made by Wm. Sadow, Jr., seconded by C. Bahnck, to approve the February 24, 2011 Board of Supervisors Work Session minutes as presented. The motion carried 4-0-1, with B. Keyser abstaining. He did not attend the meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

-Jim Litzenberger, Nockamixon Township Community Day Assoc. President, commented that this year's event is scheduled for September 17, 2011 at the Bucks County Horse Park. The Board noted that there are Community Day Funds in the Township Account. For the record, the Board suggested that Jim Litzenberger send a letter to the Township requesting release of the funds in order to close the account.

CONDITIONAL USE HEARING:

- a. Meadows - Conditional Use Hearing - Correspondence - The Board will discuss at the end of the meeting during Executive Session.
- A motion was made by N. Janyszeski, seconded by Wm. Sadow, Jr., to grant an extension until April 30, 2011 for Meadows Conditional Use Hearing for 21 Brownstone Road, Nockamixon Township. The motion carried 5-0-0.

STAFF REPORTS:

- a. ROAD REPORT - February 2011 - Tar & Chip Roads - Discussion -- George Housworth, Public Works Director, was in attendance. The discussion included the recent snow/ice storms and information that he received from LTAP regarding mailboxes. The Board commented there would be no change to current Township policy for mailboxes.
 - A motion was made by A. Santopietro, seconded by B. Keyser, to approve sections of the following roads for Tar & Chip: William Road/0.21; Park Drive East/0.64, and Frogtown/1.15, (between Park Drive East and Church Hill). The motion carried 5-0-0.
 - A motion was made by A. Santopietro, seconded by B. Keyser, to have the Secretary advertise roadways for the Tar & Chip in the newspaper of record for the Township. The motion carried 5-0-0.
- The Board and George Housworth discussed the water runoff problem at the Comly property near the ball field. PennDOT has been contacted and given their approval for the Township to connect the retention basin at Veteran's Park to the existing drainage system. A motion was made by A. Santopietro, seconded by B. Keyser, to approve the February 2011 Road Report as presented. The motion carried 5-0-0.

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a. Treasurer's Report

Keith DeLuca gave the Treasurer's Report

-The cost to update the Township Code Book is \$15.00 per page, not to exceed \$405.00 plus shipping. This service will be performed by Keystate Publishers. The price includes replacement pages for existing hard copy codes, new CD's and updated web posting.

-Bucks County has requested that Nockamixon Township decides whether they wish to participate with the County in the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program. The decision to participate applies to the three-year period of Federal Fiscal Years 2012 through 2014. If the Township does not participate in the program it will not receive funding through Bucks County.

-As directed by the Board, the Township has begun to receive bids for an access control system and an update to the existing alarm system for the Township building.

-On March 24, 2011 the Department of the Auditor General will perform an audit of the 2009 - 2010 Liquid Fuels Tax Fund. In the past a Supervisor was present to sign the "Management Representation Letter" and the "Exit conference Memorandum" but the Board can authorize the Treasurer to do so. **It was the consensus of the Board to authorize the Treasurer to sign the 2009-2010 Liquid Fuels audit.**

-In addition the Treasurer requests permission to access onto the PSATS members' only page.

-The AG-385 and Salt Contract were both submitted on 2/23/2011.

-2010 W-3's and 1096 forms were sent out 2/22/2011

-Year to date the Zoning Officer/Building Inspector collected \$6,034.00 in permit fees, while billing the Township \$19,205.00 for their services.

-Total bills being presented tonight; General Fund, \$25,068.10; State Fund, \$1,916.42; Escrow Fund, \$1,168.32.

-Transfers requested; \$15,755.76 Escrow Fund to Sewage Maintenance Fund, \$231.75 Escrow Fund to General Fund.

-A motion was made by N. Janyszeski, seconded by Wm. Sadow, Jr., to transfer \$15,755.76 from Escrow Fund to Sewage Maintenance Fund. The motion carried 5-0-0.

-A motion was made by N. Janyszeski, seconded by B. Keyser, to transfer \$231.75 from Escrow Fund to General Fund. The motion carried 5-0-0.

-A motion was made by N. Janyszeski, seconded by A. Santopietro, to approve the March 2011 Treasurer's Report as presented. The motion carried 5-0-0.

-A motion was made by C. Bahnck, seconded by Wm. Sadow, Jr., to approve the March 2011 Bill List as presented. The motion carried 5-0-0.

COMMITTEE ACTION ITEMS: No Discussion

SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

a. Berger Road Hearing - Ferreira Petition to Close Road - Decision - On Petition To Improve, Close Or Vacate A Portion Of Berger Road - José & Allison Ferreira, 2042 Berger Road, Nockamixon Township, Bucks County, PA. "Wherefore, this 16th day of March, The Nockamixon Township Board of Supervisors hereby DENY the Petition of José and Allison Ferreira to improve, close or vacate Berger Road from 2042 Berger Road to it's point or intersection with Traugers Crossing Road". **A motion was made by N. Janyszeski, seconded by Wm. Sadow, Jr., to approve the decision dated March 16, 2011 as read. The motion carried 5-0-0.**

SUBDIVISION:

a. A. Morton-3-Lot Sub - TMP# 30-13-5 - Grants extension to May 28, 2011 -

b. G. Hoffman-5-Lot Sub TMP# 30-11-164-2; -164-3 & -164-5 - grants extension to September 30, 2011 -

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It was the consensus of the Board to accept the extension for the A. Morton 3-Lot Subdivision (May 28, 2011) and G. Hoffman 5-Lot Subdivision (September 30, 2011).

c. Lentz-Lot-Line Adjustment - TMP# 30-13-4 & 30-13-4-9 Final Plan for Signature - A motion was made by N. Janyszeski, seconded by C. Bahnck, to sign the Final Plan for the Lentz Lot-Line Adjustment, TMP# 30-13-4 & -4-9. The motion carried 5-0-0.

LAND DEVELOPMENT:

a. D. DiPalantino L/D TMP# 30-11-83 - Grants extension to April 28, 2011 -

It was the consensus of the Board to accept the extension for the D. DiPalantino L/D TMP# 30-11-83 until April 28, 2011.

OLD BUSINESS:

a. Request Waiver of Fees - Mark Glazer - Camp Nock-A-Mixon - Follow-up - The applicant, Mark Glazer, was in attendance. N. Janyszeski read, for Board consideration, the recommendations of the Wynn Associates Letter of March 10, 2011. A motion was made by N. Janyszeski, seconded by B. Keyser to require 'sewage escrow for any multiple residential subsurface system, or commercial subsurface or land application sewage system to be established in the amount of \$2,500.00' for Camp Nock-A-Mixon. The motion carried 5-0-0.

b. Clean-Up Day - Saturday, April 16, 2011 - A. Eichlin commented that posters are displayed in businesses in the area and she has contacted businesses for donations to cover cost of any provisions for that day. She commented that Jeff Petersen has been contacting volunteers for road clean-up. She requested, and received, permission from the Board to pick up vests, gloves, and trash bags from PennDOT in Doylestown.

NEW BUSINESS:

a. 2010 PURTA Report - A motion was made by Wm. Sadow, Jr., seconded by C. Bahnck to approve the 2010 PURTA Report as presented. The motion carried 5-0-0.

b. PennDOT - Ron Martin - Thank You Letter - A draft letter was presented to the Board for approval. It was the consensus of the Board to forward the letter to PennDOT, Ron Martin, via the office of State Sen. Robert Mensch.

c. PSATS - 2011 Proposed Bylaws Changes - Discussion - It was noted that membership dues will be tied to the consumer price index and included the assessment of member Townships for the calendar year 2011. The Board also discussed the annual subscription to "Township News" and the cost for same. **There was a consensus of the Board to continue purchasing a "Township News" subscription for all Board members.**

d. BCDH - Playground Training - Attendees - Discussion -

A motion was made by N. Janyszeski, seconded by B. Keyser, to approve the attendance of George Housworth at the Playground Maintenance Training Session at a cost of \$50.00. The motion carried 5-0-0.

e. Wild & Scenic Meeting: Request Meeting Room - March 29, 2011 - Approval -

N. Janyszeski requested permission from the Board to hold the March 29, 2011 Delaware Wild & Scenic meeting at the Township Building. **There was a consensus of the Board to hold the Delaware Wild & Scenic March 29, 2011 meeting at the Township Building.**

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

a. Zoning Report - C. Clayton, Zoning Officer, was not in attendance.

A motion was made by Wm. Sadow, Jr, seconded by C. Bahnck, to approve the March 2011 Zoning Report as submitted. Under discussion, N. Janyszeski commented that a

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Letter of Intent has been received from Stephen Breiner, 212 Church Hill Road. **The motion carried 5-0-0.**

b. Emergency Management - A Regional Meeting was held in early March, to discuss the new alert system "ReadyNotifyPA". Personnel from surrounding Townships/Boroughs were in attendance. **A motion was made by N. Janyszeski, seconded by A. Santopietro, to approve up to \$100.00, upon activation of the Emergency Management Team, for the purchase of food. The motion carried 5-0-0.**

c. Environmental Advisory Committee - No action items.

d. BNT Ground Water Committee - No action items.

e. Open Space Committee - Ellen Chapman, Co-Chair, was in attendance. The Board and E. Chapman discussed a date for a Work Session and Executive Sessions. It was noted that Executive Sessions should be requested by 3:00 P.M. one week prior to the monthly Board meeting. The Open Space Work Session will be held Thursday, May 26, 2011. The Board has scheduled a Work Session with PADEP on Thursday, April 28, 2011 to discuss area TCE well testing.

f. Park & Recreation Board - Benjamin Naska, Member, was in attendance. He requested permission from the Board for a lunar observation during the Full Moon at Rapp Creek Park on one of the following Saturday's: May 21, July 16 or August 13. Rain date: Sunday, May 22, July 17 or August 14. The date to be determined. - A map showing a Phase Two extension of the walking path at Veteran's Park was reviewed. After a lengthy discussion, the Board commented that they will schedule a walk-through of the proposed path area. There is a concern about the weeds that are growing on the existing stone pathway. A. Santopietro will contact T. Keebler and ask him to request a proposal from the pesticide company to spray a pre-emergent weed block. A notice will be posted 24 hours prior to, and after, the event.

g. Nockamixon Historic Commission - Membership to the Spruance Library. **A motion was made by N. Janyszeski, seconded by A. Santopietro, to request the purchase of one membership, up to \$50.00 for all Historic Commission Members, to the B.C. Historical Society, Mercer Museum and Spruance Library.** After a short discussion, **N. Janyszeski rescinded her motion, seconded by A. Santopietro.**

At 9:05 P.M. the Chair, N. Janyszeski, commented that the Board would be meeting in Executive Session to discuss Real Estate. The Chair, N. Janyszeski, commented that the Board returned from Executive Session at 9:50 P.M. after discussing Real Estate.

-The Board tabled enacting fees for all non-renewable resources in the Community. They requested that a copy of the fees be forwarded to the Solicitor, J.B. Yeager, for review.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made by A. Santopietro, seconded by B. Keyser, to adjourn the Board of Supervisors meeting at 9:55 P.M. The motion carried 5-0-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Arlene E. Eichlin,
Recording Secretary