

PRESENT: Karl Bolognese - Supervisor, Terry Rarick - Supervisor, Roy Timpe - Supervisors, Richard Orwig – Solicitor, Thomas Unger – Engineer, Ruth Manmiller – Recording Secretary, Terry Manmiller - Operations Director.

GUESTS: Ray Martin, Jr., Ronald Kemmerer, Gloria Kemmerer, Claude Beaver, Krista Timpe, Larry R. Kunkel, Robert Ludgate, Jr., Gary Rollman, Charles Salada, Michael Schittler, Dan Tempesco, Heather Quillman, Val Viccin – Kutzotwn Patriot, Scott Miller, Maria Herne – Newspaper Reporter.

Karl Bolognese called the meeting to order at 6:43 PM and asked everyone to rise for the pledge to the flag. As advertised the April Board of Supervisors meeting would commence immediately following the rezoning hearing scheduled for 6:00 PM.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

Roy Timpe informed the public, that even though they had no comment at this time, they were welcome to question or comment on any of the proceedings throughout this or any public meeting.

BUSINESS MEETING/REPORTS

Roy Timpe made a motion, seconded by Terry Rarick, to approve the March 2000 Board of Supervisors meeting minutes. All Board members voted, “Aye.”

POLICE REPORT: The March 2000 Northern Berks Regional Police activities were read by Ruth Manmiller as follows:

	MAIDENCREEK	ONTELAUNEE	LEESPORT
ASSIGNMENTS	195	199	95
UNITS OF PATROL	732.75	517	387.5
CITATIONS	\$2894.93	\$4988.84	\$1493.19

TOTAL CALLS: 580

Karl Bolognese informed the public of the Northern Berks Regional Police meetings which are conducted the second Tuesday of the month, 7:00 PM in the Northern Berks Regional Police Headquarters.

ROAD REPORT Terry Rarick read the Operations Manager’s Report for the March 2000.

EQUIPMENT

1. All equipment has been serviced and is ready for spring mowing
2. Unit # 8 still needs major work.

ROAD CREW COMPLETED THE FOLLOWING

1. Mowing has started
2. Meadows have been cleaned due to heavy rains
3. Mulch was placed in the play areas – Blandon Ball Field, Kid’s Cove, and Cornerstone Dr.
4. Intersections have been cleaned
5. Creek along Guldin Road cleared of fallen trees
6. Several pot holes have been repaired throughout the township
7. Curbing has been patched
8. 25 mph signs have been installed in Limestone, Shadow Ridge, Golden Manor II & III

STREET SWEEPING

4/27/00 Street sweeping will take place. Public will be notified in the newsletter and no parking signs will be posted in the designated areas.

STREET INDEX SIGNS

The second phase of street index signs will be started the week of April 23, 2000

TREASURER’S REPORT: Ruth Manmiller read the Secretary/Treasurer’s report for March 2000 and requested permission for the following payouts:

GENERAL FUND CHECKING	\$92,200.58
PAYROLL	\$18,408.58
ST LIQUID FUELS SINKING	\$ 5.00
GOLDEN MANOR III IMPROVEMENTS	\$ 700.82
RECREATION TAX CHECKING	\$ 5,262.96

Roy Timpe made a motion, seconded by Terry Rarick, approving the treasurer’s report and approval of payments from listed accounts. All Board members voted, “Aye.”

1999 AUDIT REPORT

A representative from Reinsel & Co., LLP outlined the 1999 Audit with the Board and informed them all accounting records are in order and proper reports have been filed in a timely manner. Each Board member received a copy of the report. Terry Rarick made a motion, seconded by Roy Timpe, to accept the 1999 audit report as presented. All Board members voted, “Aye.” The Board thanked Reinsel & Co. for stepping in at the last minute to complete the audit, since the elected auditors had resigned.

OLD BUSINESS

Terry Rarick made a motion, seconded by Roy Timpe, authorizing TELCO, Inc. to install two street lights along East Wesner Road in the Golden Manor I subdivision for \$3150.00. All Board members voted, “Aye.”

NEW BUSINESS

Terry Rarick made a motion, seconded by Roy Timpe, authorizing the Secretary to contact Conestoga Wireless granting permission to Cell One to install an antenna on their tower which is located on Maiden creek Township Municipal Building property. All Board members voted, “Aye.”

Karl Bolognese questioned when the light or lights would be installed on the tower.

Terry Manmiller assured him Conestoga Wireless had promised to complete light installation in the near future.

Roy Timpe made a motion, seconded by Terry Rarick, authorizing the purchase of ID-2 Wearing directly from EJB Paving & Materials, Co. and have EJB Paving & Materials, Co. complete the patching work on Evansville Road, Hill Road and Orchard Road. All Board members voted, “Aye.”

Terry Manmiller stated he had contacted Allentown Cement Company about the road conditions on Evansville Road. They have express interest in assisting the township in repair and maintenance of this roadway since Evansville Road is a primary link to their place of business for heavy truck traffic.

The Operations Manager reported a recent meeting he had with Dr. Allmon and Mr. Kita for the Fleetwood Area School District. There is concern for future development in Maidencreek Township and student population throughout the three elementary schools. The district is considering transferring some Maidencreek Township students to Richmond. Terry Manmiller thanked Diane Hollenbach for the informative and extensive report she had prepared for their meeting.

Roy Timpe made a motion to adopt a resolution for Maidencreek Township Board of Supervisors to support the Partial-Birth Abortion Ban Act of 2000. The motion died for lack of a second.

Terry Rarick thanked Roy Timpe for presenting the proposed resolution, however he felt support on this issue should not be received at this level of government and, personally, abortion is a decision between the mother and doctor – not government.

Roy Timpe informed the Board he had received email concerning a resident who was upset with the amount of bird feeders installed in his neighbors' yard.

Terry Rarick made a motion, seconded by Roy Timpe, authorizing the Secretary to notify International Fireworks to complete all necessary documents and contracts to present fireworks on June 10, 2000 in the amount of \$3000.00. All Board members voted, "Aye."

No recommendations have been received from the Park & Recreation Board relative to the control of snowmobiles, all terrain vehicles, or mini bikes being used in township open space areas. At this time the Board has not been made aware of any misuse of the open space areas with snowmobiles and/or all terrain vehicles. Should abuse occur in the future, they will address it at that time.

Due to expressed interest, the Board has agreed that Diane Hollenbach should begin preparations to construct a web page for the township.

Ronald Kemmerer questioned the Board about the size of the creek bed for the creek realignment in the proposed community park area. He was concerned it was not large enough to handle any substantial rainfall. He recently inspected the area after a rainfall and discovered water was flowing over the creek banks.

The Engineer and the Board informed Mr. Kemmerer the final realignment of the creek had not begun. The present condition was installed as an emergency due to the past flooding. The planned realignment will provide a larger creek bed.

Ray Martin informed the Board he had complied with their request to move his mobile home away from the right-of-way for Route 222 which allows for more than 500 feet visibility at the intersection of Route 222 and Dries Road. He questioned if there was anything more they would require of him to operate his mobile home business in compliance with the township.

Terry Manmiller suggested since his mobile homes are not permanent, he should provide the township with an E & S plan for this property. The Board agreed and asked Mr. Martin to comply.

Terry Rarick made a motion, seconded by Roy Timpe, authorizing Sam Krick of Systems Design Engineering to apply for the CDGB Grant funds. All Board members voted, "Aye."

Terry Rarick made a motion, seconded by Roy Timpe, authorizing the Solicitor and Engineer to investigate the proposal presented by the Berks County Conservation District to conduct flood plain review and comment services for plans submitted for review.

Terry Rarick stated he felt the Board should consider proposing regulations to control the type of agriculture operations permitted in certain agriculture zone areas and asked the Planning Commission to investigate the matter.

Terry Rarick made a motion, seconded by Roy Timpe, allowing Cub Scout Pack 183 to conduct their annual Soap Box Derby on Quarry Road, May 21, 2000 and instructed township personnel to open the building for use of the bathroom facilities. All Board members voted, "Aye." Dan Tempesco stated in past years the fire police have assisted with traffic control. Terry Manmiller stated he would contact Redner's about the planned activity.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

ISIMAC MACHINE, INC., Land Development Plan, Final Plan: Terry Rarick made a motion, seconded by Roy Timpe, approving the Isimac Machine, Inc. Land Development Plan, Final Plan with no contingencies. All Board members voted, "Aye."

MAIDENCREEK CAR WASH: Due to numerous issues to be addressed, per the engineer's 4/13/00 review letter, along with a storm water control plan which involves other property owners to be completed, the engineer recommend the Board reconsider Preliminary/Final approval. Roy Timpe made a motion, seconded by Karl Bolognese, to table any decisions on Maiden creek Car Wash Preliminary/Final Plan until all issues listed in the 4/13/00-review letter are addressed. All Board members voted, "Aye." Terry Rarick made a motion, seconded by Roy Timpe, granting an extension for the review of Maiden creek Car Wash until May 12, 2000 (day after May Board of Supervisor's meeting) in order for the necessary requirements listed in the 4/13/00 Engineer's review letter to be addressed. All Board members voted, "Aye."

BLANDON MEADOWS V, PHASE II:

1. Terry Rarick made a motion, seconded by Roy Timpe, granting waiver approval for 15' storm water easement and side lot lines not being at the right angles to the street lines or radial to curved streets, with note recorded on the plan for the lots in questions. All Board members voted, "Aye."
2. Due to the changes of development plans for Blandon Meadows V, Phase II, Spirit Court will experience extensive road cuts to install sewer and water laterals. The developer has agreed to re-mill Spirit Court and repave upon completion of lateral installation. The Board stated they wanted the developer's agreement to mill and repave Spirit Court upon completion of lateral installation to be noted and recorded on the plan.
3. No action was taken on this plan.

HILL ROAD, Stormwater Problem: Terry Rarick made a motion, seconded by Roy Timpe, authorizing the Engineer to conduct an elevation survey in the area of 575 Hill Road. All Board members voted, "Aye." The elevation survey and planned road maintenance should correct flooding which the resident at 575 Hill Road has experienced in the past.

SEWAGE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER REPORT: Copies were distributed to the Board members.

DEVELOPMENT/CONSTRUCTION STATUS REPORT: Copies were distributed to the Board members.

SUBDIVISION IMPROVEMENT AGREEMENT LOC/ESCROW RELEASE LETTERS: Terry Rarick made a motion, seconded by Roy Timpe, authorizing the Chairman to sign the Subdivision Improvement Letter of Credit letters for payment of \$1504.99. All Board members voted, "Aye."

GOLDEN MANOR III; Progress Report from Terry Manmiller:

1. Mr. Morgan has requested any remaining funds from his Letter of Credit be returned. He has sold the remaining lots in this development and feels his money should not be used to complete necessary projects. Terry Rarick made a motion, seconded by Roy Timpe, authorizing the Operations Manager and Engineer to compile a list of items to be completed in Golden Manor III and have the Solicitor notify Mr. Morgan in a letter, that no funds will be released until all items on this list have been completed. All Board members voted, "Aye."
2. Sidewalks should be completed within the near future
3. An abandoned truck will be removed within the next week
4. **Trash Cans:** Terry Manmiller will hand deliver notification letters and a copy of the ordinance to every home in Golden Manor III townhouses relative to the trash can ordinance, with a warning if compliance is not met, citations will be issued. The residents (owners of trash cans – per BFI) will have thirty days to comply.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

The Solicitor remarked on the rezoning hearing that had been conducted this evening at 6:00 PM. He stated all parties involved had an opportunity to present their case and allowed for any public comment. The following areas were considered for rezoning:

AREA	CURRENT ZONING	ZONING REQUEST
1. Blandon Meadows V, Phase II – Lots 35 – 39	C1	R2a
2. Rajah - Orchard Road	R2	A
3. B & F Petroleum, Inc. - Property between E. Wesner & Park Rd.	CR	C1

Terry Rarick made a motion, seconded by Roy Timpe, approving the rezoning requests for Blandon Meadows V, Phase II, Rajah and B & F Petroleum, Inc. as presented. All Board members voted, "Aye." The Solicitor requested the Board's signatures as soon as possible so the rezoning changes could be recorded and zoning map may be corrected to reflect the changes.

PROPOSED SUPPLEMENTAL REGULATIONS: Terry Rarick made a motion, seconded by Roy Timpe, authorizing the Solicitor and Engineer to work together to present to the Planning Commission and the Berks County Planning Commission a new conditional use in agriculture area which would allow for fraternal orders, clubs, lodges and specific accessory uses in areas of bulk regulations. All Board members voted, "Aye."

RESOLUTION 11-2000: Speed Enforcement Grant for Route 222: Terry Rarick made a motion, seconded by Roy Timpe, authorizing the Chairman to sign and submit this application to the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation in order for the Northern Berks Regional Police to conduct speed enforcement on Route 222 for the next eighteen months. All Board members voted, "Aye."

Heather Quillman inquired about setting up a web sight for Park and Recreation.

The Board informed Heather Quillman, that Diane Hollenbach will be in charge of building a web page for the entire township and the different Boards are welcome to include their information. She was advised to see Diane.

Gary Rollman of the Berks County Bicycle Club thanked the Board for their continued support in allowing the club to conduct their road races on township roadways and submitted a \$25.00 donation for recreational use in the township.

Larry Kunkel repeated the following complaints:

1. Noise from Tom's Convenience Store
2. Tractor-Trailer Trucks being parked on the shoulder of the road – Don't they see the signs that have been posted? Why aren't the police ticketing the offenders?
3. Driving on the shoulder of the road
4. Light from Tom's glares on his property
5. New Complaint: His concern for the control of storm water when the car wash is constructed next to Tom's.

Michael Schittler stated the Park and Recreation Board felt it would not be necessary at this time to make a recommendation to the Board relative to the control of snowmobiles, all terrain vehicles or mini bikes. Should it become an obvious abuse of township open space, the Park and Recreation Board will certainly provide a recommendation to the Supervisors.

Karl Bolognese adjourned the meeting at 8:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth M. Manmiller
Recording Secretary

CC: Board of Supervisors
Terry Manmiller, Operations Director
Richard Orwig, Solicitor
Thomas Unger - Systems Design Engineering, Inc.
Planning Commission
Park and Recreation Board
Zoning Hearing Board
Paul Herbein, Zoning Hearing Board Solicitor
Auditors
Maidencreek Township Authority
Maidencreek Township Authority Solicitor
Tax Collector

