

MAIDENCREEK TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

NOVEMBER 9, 2000

7:00 PM

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

GUESTS: Nancy Werner, Keith Weidner, Daniel Miller, Sr., Richard Thren, Elizabeth Hartman, Keith Hartman, Daniel Becker, Cindy Stump, David Stump, Donald Glass, Paul Martin, Jonas Martin, Lindford Weber, Robert Ludgate, Jr., Harold S. Burgert, Fay Isamoyer, Ernie Marshall, Lee Poole, Tina Poole, Gloria Kline, Ronald Kemmerer, Gloria Kemmerer, Randy Wolfe, Larry Kunkel, William Hunter, Frank Wheeler, Gary Rollman, Ruth Malenda, Claude Beaver, James Schoellkopf and May Roth – Eagle/Times Reporter.

Karl Bolognese called the November 9, 2000 Board of Supervisors meeting to order at 7:00 PM and asked everyone to rise for the Pledge to the Flag.

Terry Rarick made a motion, seconded by Karl Bolognese approving the October 12, 2000 Board of Supervisors meeting minutes. Motion carried.

POLICE REPORT

Ruth Manmiller read the October Northern Berks Regional Police Department activities report.

TOTAL CALLS 617

	MAIDENCREEK	ONTELAUNEE	LEESPORT
CALLS	273	196	148
CRIMES/OFFENSES	14	1	1
FINES COLLECTED	\$2582.29	\$2961.88	\$1061.19

ROAD REPORT

Terry Rarick gave the Operations Director’s report for October:

EQUIPMENT REPORT

1. The mowing equipment will be serviced and stored.
2. Unit #3 tailgate has been installed.
3. The backhoe the township has been testing for the past week is in the garage for inspection.

ROAD CREW COMPLETED THE FOLLOWING

1. Crack sealing is in progress. Grove Road, Hoch Road, E. Wesner Road, Hill Road and Lee Spring Road will be completed this fall.
2. All new road index signs have been installed.
3. Numerous potholes have been repaired.
4. Mowing is completed for the season.

DRIES ROAD

The Engineer reported Penn Dot should grant approval for the stormwater agreement by the end of the year. The Supervisors agreed to wait for the approval to arrange a meeting with Ontelaunee Township Supervisors. Ontelaunee Township agreed to pave Dries Road and Maiden creek Township agreed to install storm water improvements.

EMERGENCY GENERATOR

Terry Rarick made a motion, seconded by Karl Bolognese, authorizing the Operations Director to proceed with the Emergency Generator Project by purchasing the Emergency Generator from Grainger for \$13,177.00. Motion carried. The Maiden creek Township Building, the Andrew Maier Elementary School, and the Blandon Fire Company are designated emergency headquarters for Maiden creek Township. This would improve the township building in case of an emergency.

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Lynford Weber, Hoch Road, stated the developments have caused an impact on the roadways in this area. He can remember riding bike or taking a walk on Hoch Road and not be concerned about traffic. He feels he no longer can safely walk or ride bike on Hoch Road.

Harold Burgert, East Wesner Road, questioned with all the homes built in the past three years, where are all the cars coming from? He wants to know when the Board will draw the line to stop the developments or at least slow them down. He feels the Board is inviting developers to the township.

Karl Bolognese and Terry Rarick agreed the Board is doing all they can to preserve the agriculture areas by increasing the Agriculture Security areas. However, the Board can not control what a property owner does with their land. If they choose to sell their property to a developer, the only thing the Board can do is make sure the project conforms to all subdivision and zoning regulations.

Ernie Marshall, Troxel Road, did not understand the reasoning behind the recent notice to change his address. He is unhappy with the inconvenience the changes will cause him, but he will comply.

Tina Poole, Lee Spring Road, is concerned about the on-lot sewage problems on the Martin Retirement Village property. She stated the sewage is on the surface causing odor and possible contamination. She questioned if an inspection had been made and will Mr. Martin be forced to pump the septic tank. She felt he should pump the tank on a regular basis out of respect and courtesy to the neighbors.

The Engineer informed Tina Poole the SEO had inspected the septic tank and surrounding area upon receiving a call from Terry Manmiller. Details are being discussed about having the system pumped and if Mr. Martin, owner of Retirement Village, does not comply he will be cited.

Terry Rarick made a motion, seconded by Karl Bolognese, authorizing the Solicitor to inform Mr. Martin he has ten (10) days to clean up the area or he will be cited. Motion carried. Terry Manmiller was advised to inspect on a regular basis to make sure this would not happen again. As Phase II of Retirement Village nears final approval and completion, the sewage problems will be corrected.

Larry Kunkel, 5 Lake Shore Drive, questioned the results of the lighting problems at Tom's.

The Engineer stated he would have a report by the December 14, 2000 Board of Supervisors meeting.

Gary Rollman, Orchard Road, requested permission for his Bike Club to use the roadways behind Lake Ontelaunee for time trials in Spring of 2001.

The Board thanked Gary Rollman for advising the Board of his event and asked that he comply with all notifications, as he had in the past.

Randy Wolfe, West Walnut Tree Drive, questioned if the tax revenue received through the millage increase is deposited in a separate account. He requested emergency headquarters information to be published in the next newsletter.

The Board informed Randy Wolfe tax revenue received for Park and Recreation is deposited in CD's and a checking account at the First National Bank in Leesport Bank.

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Daniel Miller, Blandon Fire Company Chief, informed Mr. Wolfe, the type of emergency and location would determine which emergency command center would open. He asked the Board to consider amending the Burning Ordinance to reflect, no burning in any residential area. It no longer is safe to burn in any of the residential sections of the township.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

MARTIN RETIREMENT VILLAGE: Terry Rarick made a motion, seconded by Karl Bolognese to approve the review extension to 2/21/01 for Martin Retirement Village. Motion carried. A permit to dig under the railroad must be obtained and language in the sewage connection agreement is in review by DEP.

GOLDEN MANOR REVISION: Terry Rarick made a motion, seconded by Karl Bolognese to approve the review extension to 12/31/00 for Golden Manor revision. Motion carried.

BLANDON MEADOWS V, PHASE II: Robert Ludgate, Jr. presented a final plan with the addition of the alley and necessary corrections for plan approval. The developer will proceed with the installation of the pedestrian bridge and sidewalk. A fee-in-lieu of Open Space will be paid to the Township. Upon completion, the developer will be reimbursed for his costs to install the bridge and sidewalk from the funds on account with the township. Terry Rarick made a motion, seconded by Karl Bolognese, to approve Blandon Meadows V, Phase II - Final plan. Motion carried. A GPA permit has been applied for to address the storm water problem in Phase I of Blandon Meadows V.

PENN BIOMEDICAL, Land Development: Terry Rarick made a motion, seconded by Karl Bolognese, granting waivers to 504.A.5 allowing driveway width of 20', and to Section 406.A.2. Preliminary plan requirement to final plan review per 10/26/00 Planning Commission letter. Waiver of 515. F. & G screening requirements was rejected. Motion carried.

EAST WESNER ROAD, STREAM RELOCATION: Terry Rarick made a motion, seconded by Karl Bolognese, authorizing the Chairman to sign the contracts for relocation of the stream along East Wesner Road, contractor must start with in the next ten (10) days. Motion carried.

SUBDIVISION IMPROVEMENTS AGREEMENTS LOC/ESCROW RELEASE LETTERS: Terry Rarick made a motion, seconded by Karl Bolognese, authorizing the Chairman to sign the Subdivision Improvement Letters of Credit for payment of \$44,834.47. Motion carried.

SEO REPORTS AND CONSTRUCTION STATUS REPORTS: The Engineer distributed SEO reports and development/construction status reports to the Board.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

SCHAEFFER PROPERTY – REZONING REQUEST: The Albert Schaeffer property is located at the intersection of Allentown Pike and Schaeffer Road. The developer plans for the 145-acre tract of land include a 270-lot residential subdivision and commercial development of property fronting along Allentown Pike. Zoning changes requested are "A" Agriculture to "C-1" Commercial and "A" Agriculture to "R-2a" Residential. Terry Rarick made a motion, seconded by Karl Bolognese authorizing the Solicitor to advertise a Public Hearing for the above Zoning request to be held November 30, 2000 at 7:30 PM. Alternate date December 18, 2000.

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RESOLUTION 22-2000 – Amending the fee schedule for performing various plumbing services within Maidenecreek Township. Terry Rarick made a motion, seconded by Karl Bolognese to adopt the new fee schedule for various plumbing services with in Maidenecreek Township. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 23-2000 – Establish the standard for construction specifications for building sewer and water connection lines pursuant to CABO. Terry Rarick made a motion, seconded by Karl Bolognese to establish the standard for construction specifications for building sewer and water connection lines pursuant to CABO. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 24-2000 – Dedication of Calabria Drive, Carmen Drive, Venice Drive and Riviera Drive located in Shadow Ridge I. Terry Rarick made a motion, seconded by Karl Bolognese to accept dedication of Calabria Drive, Carmen Drive, Venice Drive and Riviera Drive located in Shadow Ridge I. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Terry Rarick made a motion, seconded by Karl Bolognese authorizing the payment of \$500.00 to the Tri-Valley YMCA for recreation night held at the Fleetwood Community Center. Motion carried.

Michael Weiser, Chief of Police conducted a traffic study in the area of Wales Way and Cassidy Court, as requested. During periodic studies of the area the Chief has determined installation of a stop sign is not necessary.

Gloria Kemmerer asked the Board, should they consider purchasing the commercial property located at the intersection of Park Road and East Wesner Road to be included in the Community Park, would they conduct a public hearing?

Terry Rarick stated there would be no public hearing should they decide to purchase the land located at the intersection of Park Road and East Wesner Road to be included in the Community Park.

NEW BUSINESS

The Board was waiting for reports from Berks EIT to move forward on the completion of the 2001 budget. It has been determined there would be no tax increase for 2001. Another budget meeting will be conducted 11/13/00.

SECRETARY'S QUESTIONS

SHADOW RIDGE STREET LIGHTS: Terry Rarick made a motion, seconded by Karl Bolognese authorizing the preparation of a resolution from GPU to activate the streetlights on Calabria Drive, and Riveria Drive in Shadow Ridge II. Motion carried.

Terry Rarick made a motion, seconded by Karl Bolognese authorizing the Secretary – Treasurer to make final payment on the loan at the First National Bank in Fleetwood for the loader and 2000 GMC truck. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: 9:05 PM – 9:35 PM: Real Estate, Pending Litigation

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Terry Rarick made a motion, seconded by Karl Bolognese authorizing the Solicitor to discuss the proposal and make an offer for the purchase of land located at the intersection of Park Road and East Wesner Road. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:35 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., Township Engineer
Planning Commission
Park and Recreation Board
Zoning Hearing Board
Paul Herbein, Zoning Hearing Board Solicitor
Maidencreek Township Authority
Robert Hobaugh, Esq., Maidencreek Township Authority Solicitor
Tax Collector
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