

Maidencreek Township Board of Supervisor Meeting
June 13, 2013 7:00 pm

Present: Claude Beaver, David Franke, Joseph Rudderow III, Tom Unger – Systems Design Engineering, Inc., Eugene Orlando, Jr. – Orlando Law Offices. Diane Hollenbach – Township Manager, Johanna Mattera – Recording Secretary.

Guests: Susan Barlet, Kenneth Barlet, Brian Sholl, Tracey Sholl.

Joseph Rudderow III called the June 13, 2013 regular meeting of the Maidencreek Township Board of Supervisors to order at 7:00 pm in the Maidencreek Township Municipal Building.

MINUTES & FINANCES

Approval of the Regular Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Claude Beaver, seconded by David Franke, to waive the reading of the minutes and approve the minutes of the May 9, 2013 regular meeting as presented. Hearing no questions on the motion, all members voted, “Aye”. Motion carried.

Treasurer’s Report and Bill List

A motion was made by David Franke, seconded by Joseph Rudderow III, to approve the May 2013 Treasurer’s Report and Bill List. Hearing no questions on the motion, all members voted, “Aye”. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Susan and Kenneth Barlet, South View Road, Fleetwood –The Barlet’s felt that the fireworks were set up to close to homes and were unsafe. Mrs. Barlet called the Township the day after Community Day’s to report concerns. The Board advised that they would talk with the firework company regarding concerns. The Board advised that the Fire Department is always present when fireworks are involved.

Tracey and Brian Sholl – South View Road, Fleetwood – Mr. Scholl asked if there is a Township Ordinance regarding fireworks. There is no ordinance in place.

REPORTS

ENGINEER’S REPORT

Subdivision Review Status Checklist

Esbenshades Land Development Plan

A motion was made by Claude Beaver, seconded by David Franke, to accept the developer’s request for a time extension to the plan review period for the Esbenshades Greenhouse Land Development Plan until September 21, 2013. Hearing no questions on the motion, all members voted, “Aye”. Motion carried.

Village at Summit Crest Final Plan

A motion was made by Claude Beaver, seconded by David Franke to accept the developer’s request for a time extension to the plan review period for the Village at Summit Crest Final Plan until October 10, 2013. Hearing no questions on the motion, all members voted, “Aye”. Motion carried.

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Projects

2013 Street Projects – Mr. Unger apologized to the Board for an error that was made on the bid form and advised the Board to reject all bids received. Systems Design Engineering will re-advertised the bids for a Special Meeting to open and accept the bids and award the project on June 21, 2013 at 10:00 a.m. and that SDE would pick up all costs involved.

A motion was made by David Franke, seconded by Claude Beaver, to reject the bids and re-advertised the 2013 Annual Road Work. Hearing no questions on the motion, all members voted, “Aye”. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Claude Beaver, seconded by David Franke, to advertise a Special Meeting on Friday June 21, 2013 at 10:00 a.m. to accept and act on bids received. Hearing no questions on the motion, all members voted, “Aye”. Motion carried.

Norfolk Southern Railroad Culvert Maintenance– Mr. Unger advised the Board that he is having difficulty getting anyone at Norfolk Southern to return his call.

Ontelanuee Heights Recreation Area Sinkhole – Mr. Unger reviewed several options with Board. The Board asked Mr. Unger have costs for the project for the next meeting.

Subdivision Improvement Agreement LOC/Escrow Release Letters

A motion was made by Claude Beaver, seconded by David Franke, authorizing the Chairman to sign Subdivision Improvements Agreement LOC/Escrow Release letters in the amount of \$49.20. Hearing no questions on the motion, all members voted, “Aye”. Motion carried.

County Proposal, Schaffer Road Bridge Ownership Agreement - Mr. Hunter, County of Berks, sent the information that the Township requested on the ongoing maintenance suggested on the bridge. The Board discussed with the Solicitor and Engineer some of the items that they would like as part of the reconstruction.

A motion was made by David Franke, seconded by Claude Beaver, authorizing the Solicitor contact the County and convey our interests in accepting ownership of the Schaeffer Road bridge adding to the agreement the installation of a sidewalk and that the bridge have no weight restriction with the Township Solicitor drafting an agreement. Hearing no questions on the motion, all members voted, “Aye”. Motion carried.

Calcium Road Bridge – Penn DOT informed the Township that the Calcium Road Bridge needed to be closed immediately. The Road Master advised that the signage has been put in place. Mr. Unger suggested that the Township may want to contact the County for assistance.

A motion was made by David Franke, seconded by Claude Beaver, authorizing the Solicitor and Engineer to make contact with the County and move forward with the concerns and issues regarding traffic patterns and the closing of Calcium Road Bridge. Hearing no questions on the motion, all members voted, “Aye”. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Claude Beaver, seconded by David Franke, to send a letter to Penn DOT and carbon our State Legislature and Senator with regard to our concerns with Calcium Road Bridge closure and the alignment of intersection of Maidencreek Road and Rt.73. Hearing no questions on the motion, all members voted, “Aye”. Motion carried.

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Zoning/UCC Activity Report – For the Boards review. Mr. Unger brought to the Boards attention the property on Rt. 73 and Park Road – Tabled until the July 2013 meeting.

MUNICIPAL SOLICITOR REPORT

Melrose Place Extension of Improvement Agreement - Contact has been made with the developer's attorney and the Township Engineer has completed his review of the cost estimates to finish the project.

Mr. Orlando advised the Board that he would not be available for the August meeting.

WATER AUTHORITY

Ms. Hollenbach advised the Board that Water Authority has appointed Dan Becker of Kozloff and Stoudt as their Solicitor. Gary Saggio has resigned and Marie Coraluzzi accepted the position. The Township will be sending a letter of thank you to Mr. Saggio.

MANAGERS REPORT

Summer Help – Ms. Hollenbach advised the Board that one of the part-time employees resigned and another was accepting full time employment at East Penn Manufacturing.

A motion was made David Franke, seconded by Claude Beaver, authorized hiring of another seasonal employee if needed. Hearing no questions on the motion, all members voted, "Aye". Motion carried.

313 Faith Drive, Blandon – Ms. Hollenbach requested authorization for the Road Crew to mow the lawn at 313 Faith Drive. The Township would bill the homeowner. Mr. Orlando advised that prior to entering the property addition photographs be taken before mowing and that the total expense to the tax payers be quantified promptly, and authorization to proceed with a Municipal Lien to the extent that can be obtained at the earliest possible time so that if we have that opportunity prior to the Board's next meeting we would be authorized to proceed.

A motion was made David Franke, seconded by Claude Beaver, authorizing the mowing of 313 Faith Drive, Blandon and the Solicitor to proceed with a Municipal Lien to the extent that can be obtained at the earliest possible time so that if we have that opportunity prior to the Board's next meeting we would be authorized to proceed. Hearing no questions on the motion, all members voted, "Aye". Motion carried.

Authorize Signature on Affidavit of No Liability

A motion was made by David Franke, seconded Claude Beaver, to have the Chairman sign the affidavit in the Craig Pehlman matter. Hearing no questions on the motion, all members voted, "Aye". Motion carried.

PARK & RECREATION

Fireworks at Community Days - The Board asked the Manager to contact the fireworks company about the complaints. Mr. Orlando advised that we might need to be a little more indemnity language for next year. Ms. Hollenbach stated that this current company has been very helpful and agreed to investigate and settle all damage claims. One homeowner had contacted the company with damage and seemed satisfied with the result.

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A motion was made by David Franke, seconded by Claude Beaver, authorizing the Township Manager to communicate with the owner of the Firework's Company and advise him of the complaints that the Township has received and ask for his recommendations as to how those complaints can be addressed. Hearing no questions on the motion, all members voted, "Aye". Motion carried.

Authorize Park & Recreation Fence Expenditure

A motion was made by David Franke, seconded by Claude Beaver, to purchase from Fehl's Home and Garden a 48" High Chain Link Fence with safety topper with the cost to come out of Park & Recreation fee in-lieu of open space fund. Hearing no questions on the motion, all members voted, "Aye". Motion carried.

Authorize Weed and Feed of Township Properties - Ms. Hollenbach advised the Board that the Township has received complaints from the residents of Limestone Village regarding weed spores leaving the Community Park and infesting their lawns. There were three quotes received for treatment of the facility. The Park and Recreation would like the Community Park done at this time.

A motion was made by David Franke, seconded by Claude Beaver, authorizing application of weed and feed at Community Park and Township Building at a cost not to exceed a total of \$1,500.00 for two treatments. Hearing no questions on the motion, all members voted, "Aye". Motion carried.

ROAD MASTER REPORT

Purchase Lids for Recycling Cans

A motion was made by David Franke, seconded by Claude Beaver, to purchase eight lids at cost not to exceed \$87.00 each. Hearing no questions on the motion, all members voted, "Aye". Motion carried.

Dries Road Maintenance Agreement – The Road Master and the Township Manager discussed with the Board roadwork that will need to be done on Dries Road. There is an ordinance in place between Ontelanuee Township and Maidencreek that needs to be discussed with Ontelanuee Township.

A motion was made by David Franke, seconded by Joseph Rudderow III, authorizing the Road Master to meet with the Ontelanuee Township Road Master and try to work out or at least discuss the intergovernmental agreement for Dries Road Maintenance and work on a resolve. Hearing no questions on the motion, all members voted, "Aye". Motion carried.

TAX COLLECTION COMMITTEE – No activity to report.

POLICE COMMISSIONER – Mr. Rudderow reviewed with the Board the May 2013 Police Commission Meeting. Mr. Rudderow advised the Board that there is opportunity for a study to be conducted of the police department; but all three commissioners must agree on the study.

A motion was made by Claude Beaver, seconded by David Franke, authorizing the Maidencreek Commissioner to convey our interest in the study and to sign the letter from DCED. The Chairman asked if there are any questions on the motion. Ms. Hollenbach asked would this be the time to include Richmond and Fleetwood Township in the study, since they were

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interested joining Northern Berks Regional before. The Board felt that they should do a study on the existing force before other municipalities were approached. Hearing no further questions on the motion, all members voted, "Aye". Motion carried.

RESOLUTIONS

Adopt 2013 Hazard Mitigation and Assessment Plan

A motion was made by David Franke, seconded by Claude Beaver, to adopt Resolution #17-2013 the Hazard Vulnerability Assessment and Mitigation Plan Update for Maidencreek Township. Hearing no questions on the motion, all members voted, "Aye". Motion carried.

Adopt Prevailing Wage Reform Resolution

A motion was made by David Franke, second Claude Beaver, to adopt Resolution #18-2013 Prevailing Wage Reform. Hearing no questions on the motion, all members voted, "Aye". Motion carried.

The Board thanked Ms. Hollenbach and Park & Receptions Board for their hard work at Community Days. They also thanked the Fire Department and Police.

Since there was no further business, a motion was made by David Franke, seconded by Claude Beaver, to adjourn the June 13, 2013 meeting of the Maidencreek Township Board of Supervisors. Hearing no questions on the motion, all members voted, "Aye". Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:47 pm.

Recording Township Secretary, June 13, 2013

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Cc: Board of Supervisors
Eugene Orlando, Roland & Schlegel, Solicitor
Thomas Unger, Systems Design Engineering, Inc., Township Engineer
Planning Commission
Park & Recreation Board
Zoning Hearing Board and Alternates
Joan London, Kozloff Stoudt, Zoning Hearing Board Solicitor
Maidencreek Township Authority
Patrick Donovan, Maidencreek Township Authority General Manager
JoAnn Schaeffer, Maidencreek Township Authority Secretary
Dan Becker, Kozloff Stoudt, Authority Solicitor
Greg Unger, Systems Design Engineering, Inc., Authority Engineer
Barbara Hassler, Tax Collector
Daniel Miller, Blandon Fire Company Chief
Chief Scott W. Eaken, Northern Berks Regional Police