

CHARTIERS TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING
AUGUST 4, 2009

Harlan G. Shober, Jr. – Chairman called the regular meeting of the Chartiers Township Board of Supervisors to order at 7:00 p.m. Tuesday August 4, 2009. Mr. Shober asked all present to stand for the pledge of allegiance.

ATTENDANCE:

Attending this evenings meeting were Supervisors A. William Kiehl, Richard W. Metzler and Mr. Shober. Additionally in attendance were James Liekar-Solicitor; Samuel R. Stockton-Township Manager; Douglas Patterson-Township Engineer; Edward Jeffries-Public Works Director; Harold Ivery, Jr.-Planning/Zoning Officer and Wendy Williams-Recording Secretary.

VISTORS TIME:

Scott Ayres
10 Coole Lane
Houston, PA. 15342

Mr. Ayres approached the Board regarding his storm water plan issue. Mr. Ayres presented a copy of the Board of Supervisors Minutes of August 2, 2005 stating general notes all sanitary sewer lines, manholes and associated construction should be in accordance with Chartiers Township Municipal Authority standard detail should meet storm water management requirements. All roof drains from new houses constructed on these lots shall be discharged into a sump. Individual on lot erosion sediment pollution control are required on each individual house. April 22nd was the first letter Mr. Ayres personally received from Mr. Liekar stating that he did not turn in a storm water management plan. A plan does show a sump that was to be installed.

After a lengthy discussion the Board of Supervisors called an Executive Session at 7:24 p.m., with everyone on the Board and Harold Ivery, on litigation and reconvened at 7:56 p.m.

Mr. Shober: “The options you have are sumps, or, have your Engineer come back with a plan that shows what is there is working without sumps being required. Our Engineer will look at it and basically if what is being submitted to us complies to our ordinance; we would be able to approve that, move forward, then we would be done.”

Steve Cypher and staff member Luke Rayle from the auditing firm of Cypher & Cypher presented the 2008 Township Audit.

Supervisor Metzler (referring to Page iii) Balance, Fiscal Year Ending December 31 (Change in the Net Assets) under Health and Sanitation 2007 was \$154-\$155 thousand; in 2008 was 23,000 and we will call it a change and asked “Why is there a great change in those numbers?” Cypher & Cypher is to provide the Township with an answer to Mr. Metzler’s question.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES (Posted on Bulletin Board)

A motion was made by Mr. Kiehl and seconded by Mr. Metzler to approve the Board of Supervisors Regular Meeting Minutes of July 21, 2009 as presented. Motion carried.

STAFF REPORTS:

Township Manager – Samuel R Stockton

Wrote a letter to Mr. Peternel suggesting a survey at his expense if he wishes to pursue an entrance to his property from Allison Hollow Road.

Wrote a letter to the resident at 810 West Grant Street informing her of the procedure of installing a deduct meter and requested her reason for her request.

Working with the Librarian of the Chartiers-Houston Library on the ADA Renovation Project.

The 2008 Columbia Gas line damage issue is resolved. However, we are now on notice that any damage caused by the Township will result in a repair invoice.

Attended the Washington County Fair Press Conference.

Called Debbie Bardella, Director of the Washington County Tax Revenue Department and set up a schedule for installation of the Pictometry software consisting of digital and photographic images, maps and elevation files for each and every parcel located in Chartiers Township.

Attended a meeting at WEWJA concerning a ROW issue with a resident on Lynn Portal Road relevant to the Joint Interceptor project

I have contacted Verizon and Comcast requesting the relocation of their lines to the new pole on Barnickel Street.

Attended Canton/Chartiers Route 18 Joint Interceptor Agreement Meeting.

Requesting authorization to advertise for the position of Assistant Treasurer.

The Commonwealth Financing Agency has submitted terms and conditions for the H2O Grant for the Route 18 Joint Interceptor and Collection System Project. I am requesting the Board consider action on this document.

Correspondence of Note:

Received a letter from Senator Stout thanking all parties involved the Canton/Chartiers meeting who brought resolution to the issue surrounding the Fox property. The Fox family was overwhelmed with the consideration afforded to their concerns.

Fossil Royalties is offering to lump-sum purchase any Township gas and oil rights available.

Houston Volunteer Fire Department will be holding the Annual Pumpkin Festival on October 9th, 10th, and 11th. Inquiring if Chartiers Township would care to participate in the parade to be held October 10th. Line up is at 9:00AM

Washington County Association of Township Supervisors will be hold their 94th Annual Convention on September 24th at the Ramada Inn. They are requesting each Township for an ad in the Yearbook. Rates are \$60 for a Full Page; \$30 for a Half Page.

A motion was made by Mr. Kiehl and seconded by Mr. Metzler to place a Full Page Ad at \$60.00. Motion carried.

Mr. Stockton is to prepare a job description for an Assistant Treasurer for the Boards' review and this item is to be placed on the next agenda.

A motion was made by Mr. Kiehl and seconded by Mr. Metzler to approve the H20 (2.3 million dollar grant Route 18 Joint Interceptor). Motion carried.

Mr. Stockton is to respond to Houston Pumpkin Festival Committee of the Boards interest in participating in the parade.

Public Works Director – Edward Jeffries

Trucks: 1995 Cat 918 Hi Lift needs breaks and differential and hydraulic system repaired. High Estimate \$8000.00 from Cleveland Brothers. A new one is \$158,000. Mr. Stockton stated this repair could be expended from the Liquid Fuels Fund.

A motion was made by Mr. Kiehl and seconded by Mr. Metzler to approve the repairs to the 1995 Cat 918 Hi-Lift, by Cleveland Brothers for the total amount of \$8,000.00. Motion carried.

Ditched Arthur Road, Allison Hollow Road, Kings Road, and part of Paxton Road.

Paved-Potholes – Bad spots on Allison Hollow Road, Arnold Park, Arthur Road.

Curbs – Schmidt Alley

Need to look into getting new weed eaters at a price around \$350.00 a piece for commercial grade weed eater.

Lights and conduit for the sign are to be installed by weeks end. A PA One Call has been placed.

A motion was made by Mr. Kiehl and seconded by Mr. Metzler to approve the purchase of a commercial weed eater not to exceed \$350.00. Motion carried.

Planning/Zoning Officer - Harold Ivery, Jr.

The Board had a request to the Planning Commission regarding the Rezoning. Kristen Hitzl has been given that information. The Planning Commission will review that at their next meeting.

A “fence” ordinance is being drafted and will be reviewed at the next Planning Commission Meeting.

The Planning Commission is looking at PODS or temporary storage ordinance to be in draft form shortly.

Country Club Road – Trucks and Trailers - Is there something in the Township we can enforce?

Mr. Liekar responded they should be notified they should fill out an application of “Site Plan” Industrial Zone and they would be required to meet the Site Plan requirements.

Township Engineer – Douglas Patterson

Indiana Avenue Storm Sewer – Bid package has been advertised. Bid opening is August 18, 2009 at 12:05 P.M.

McGovern Road Culvert Replacement – Been in contact with the wingwall box culvert manufacturer to get questions answered. Plans and Specifications will be completed for bidding.

Ryburn Road Culvert – Mr. Ivery, Mr. Jeffries and I met on site with representative of the seismic testing company on damage. We are going to prepare a report. He asked for photos of what we want. We will then make a recommendation to the Township.

Solicitor – James Liekar

Indiana Right-of-ways have been sent out.

Received another draft from Canton Township, Brought copies tonight for the Board to review.

Subdivision Land Development Ordinance for the extension of sanitary sewer lines is ready to be scheduled for a public hearing. Ready to be sent to Washington County Planning Commission and schedule a Township Public Hearing at the second meeting in September.

A motion was made by Mr. Kiehl and seconded by Mr. Metzler to authorize the Solicitor to advertise a Public Hearing at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday September 15, 2009. Motion carried.

SUPERVISOR REPORTS:

Mr. Shober:

None

Mr. Kiehl:

Another thing for the Planning Commission – Possibility of addressing driveway pipes being installed by property owners.

Mr. Metzler

None

OLD BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

A motion was made by Mr. Kiehl and seconded by Mr. Metzler to authorize payment of invoices (General Fund: Checks 23726 – 23726: \$112,684.52; Light Fund: Checks 1352-1354: \$14,393.96; Fire Hydrant Fund: Checks 1355-1357: \$23,736.02; Sewer Fund: Checks 2219-2225: \$131,592.24; Interceptor Capital Improvement Fund: Check 1064: \$4,182.84; Arnold Park Fund: Check 1317: \$44.26; Intersection Fund Check 1047: \$723.82; Municipal Improvement Fund: Checks 1337-1339: \$115,527.41; Payroll Fund: Check 5495: \$1,525.80; Total All Funds: \$195,781.61). Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Kiehl and seconded by Mr. Metzler to approve 2008 EIT resident refund in the amount of \$249.78

Motion by Mr. Kiehl and seconded by Mr. Metzler to approve 2008 EIT non-resident refunds in the amount of \$567.03. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Kiehl and seconded by Mr. Metzler to approve 2007 EIT non-resident refunds in the amount of \$959.73. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Kiehl and seconded by Mr. Metzler to approve 2008 EIT non-resident refunds in the amount of \$9,755.30. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

A motion was made by Mr. Kiehl and seconded by Mr. Metzler to approve an Agreement between Township and Washington County Fair Board to provide additional police coverage for the Washington County Fair August 15, 2009 through August 22, 2009. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Kiehl and seconded by Mr. Metzler to approve a Cooperative Agreements for the Local Share Accounts Funds allotted to the Canton/Chartiers Joint Interceptor Project and the Chartiers Township Community Center, submitted by the Washington County Redevelopment Authority. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Kiehl and seconded by Mr. Metzler to approve the proposed ordinance for the Canton/Chartiers Township Route 18 Joint Interceptor. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Kiehl and seconded by Mr. Metzler to approve a request from Relay for Life to waive fee for use of the meeting room Saturday August 22, September 26, October 17, November 21, and December 5, 2009, for a scrap-booking event. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Kiehl and seconded by Mr. Metzler to advertise the vacancy on the Chartiers Township Planning Commission. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Kiel and seconded by Mr. Metzler to approve the request for a deduct meter at 810 Grant Street. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Kiehl and seconded by Mr. Metzler to approve the request for a deduct meter for the Central Assembly of God Church. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Kiehl and seconded by Mr. Metzler to authorize the Tax Collector to proceed with enforcing Resolution No. 06-02 requiring occupancy permits for rental properties. Occupancy Permit Fee is \$10.00. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

None

AJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by Mr. Kiehl and seconded by Mr. Metzler to adjourn the meeting at 9:43 p.m. Motion carried.

Richard W. Metzler
Secretary

Wendy Williams, Recording Secretary