Chartiers Township Board of Supervisors June 15, 2010

Chairman – Harlan G. Shober, Jr. called the regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors to order at 7:00 p.m. Tuesday June 15, 2010. 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; Edward Jeffries-Public Works Director; Harold Ivery, Jr.-Planning Director and Wendy Williams-Recording Secretary.

VISITORS TIME: No participation

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: (Posted on Bulletin Board)

A motion was made by Mr. Kiehl and seconded by Mr. Metzler to approve the regular meeting minutes of June 1, 2010 as presented. Motion carried.

STAFF REPORTS:

Township Manager – Samuel R. Stockton

Pa DOT Storm Water Cleaning on West Pike Street by Pie Place.

Pa DOT does clean storm water pipes on Pike Street. Ed should contact the Assistant Manager of the Washington Shed and request it.

Hazardous Structure List

Chartiers Township has in excess of \$100,000.00 in CDBG Funds some of which can be used for demolition. A revised list needs to be generated and the properties cleared for demolition.

Indiana Avenue Project Complaint

Doug Patterson went to meet with the residents with a complaint on the restoration but they were not home.

Industrial Appraisal Company.

The company that did some of the inventory work and tagged some of the Township property was The Industrial Appraisal Company of Pittsburgh. I have contacted them. The last time an updated appraisal was done was 2006. This appraisal is necessary for accounting, inventory and insurance purposes.

There are two ways to do this.

1. I can contact the vendor that supplies The Industrial Appraisal Company with the asset tags and tag and inventory all the Township assets. One office, room etc. a day until it is complete.

2. The Industrial Appraisal Company can do the inventory and appraise the value of all our assets for insurance and accounting purposes. However, the newly tagged assets will not be in their system and they would have to enter them. This would be a redundant effort. However, I have no problem tagging and recording the assets, should that be the request of the Board.

Since the assets have not been appraised for four years, I am recommending the Board consider having it done. I have requested an estimate from The Industrial Appraisal Company for this work and, with Board approval; I will include this cost in the 2011 Budget.

Engine Retarder Ordinance

We agreed at the first meeting in June to see how the Range Resources signs worked. I have had one engine brake complaint on Plum Run.

Fire Department Bills

Dispersed \$43,460.66 May Bills <u>\$14,143.42</u> \$57,604.08 Leaves \$22,395.92 in the General Fund Budget.

Children at Play Signs

Authorize the Manager to request permission from PA DOT to install Children at Play signs.

HMT Agreement

Canton has Ok'd the agreement to be submitted to HMT for review and comment. Their Solicitor was to give the agreement to HMT. Bob Franks was to tell me if that happened. No call.

Received a request from a resident at 135 Hallam Street, Meadow Lands requesting a deduct meter.

A motion was made by Mr. Kiehl and seconded by Mr. Metzler to approve the request for a deduct meter at 135 Hallam Ave., Meadow Lands. Motion carried.

Public Works Director – Edward Jeffries

Trucks – All trucks are inspected and ready.

Ditch – We have ditched part of Gretna Road.

Paved-Potholes – We patched holes on Glass Alley, Allison Hollow, Adlin Ave. and Front Street.

Curbs – We installed 2 curbs on Thorne Street, 2 on Hallam Ave.

Storm Drains – We repaired a storm drain at Wilson and Gormley. On Short Street near the Fire Hall, Regent and Shady.

Trees – We have cut and chipped up what was left of the 2 large trees that fell at Kings and Paxton. A tree on Washington Trails.

Street Signs – We have been repairing street signs when we find them.

Parks – Arnold Park is ready for rent every week we mow and take care of the trash. The 2 basketball hoops have been ordered, should we seal and repaint the lines at the basketball court at Allison Park. (It is the consensus of the Board that this should be done).

At this time there was a brief discussion on the Road Plan. The Engineer is to have a report at the July 6, 2010. Mr. Ivery is to get an up dated list of roads, within a 3-year period from Range Resources.

Planning/Zoning Officer – Harold Ivery, Jr.

A brief discussion on bunkhouses and compressor stations and the possibility to be considered as an accessory use under the Zoning Ordinance.

A meeting is to be set up with Range Resources to discuss issues the Supervisors may have.

Mr. Ivery informed the Board the compressor station on Plum Run Road has been retrofitted with noise control walls.

Dain's Subdivision – There has been a revised copy submitted by the owners engineer addressing the Township Engineer's letter of June 8, 2010. The plan has not been reviewed by Mr. Slagle.

Solicitor – James Liekar

No report

SUPERVISOR REPORTS:

Mr. Shober:

There are power poles in the Township that are leaning (Country Club Road, Ross Street, Allison Hollow Road (near Country Barn) McGovern Road and Valley Road). Mr. Stockton was asked to contact Allegheny Power to have them repaired.

Mr. Kiehl:

Attended the Eagle Scout Court of Honor on June 12, 2010. A plaque was presented to the Township naming everyone who helped donate to the Gulf War Memorial. Ted Sankey asked the plaque be placed in the meeting room.

A motion was made by Mr. Kiehl and seconded by Mr. Metzler to have the plaque placed in the meeting room. Motion carried.

Mrs. Baker would not accept anything while working on the Township Newsletter.

A motion was made by Mr. Kiehl and seconded by Mr. Metzler to purchase a gift card. Motion carried.

Mr. Metzler:

Had a call from a resident on Shady Avenue. Water Company had resurfaced half the road. Went down and could see where it had been resurfaced, however, could see where gravel was coming up through the black top at the cul-de-sac. The resident was informed the Township is in the process of preparing a road plan.

Had received a call from a resident concerning noise from a compressor station at the intersection of Welsh and Hickory Ridge Road. The resident was invited to attend the hearing on July 13, 2910.

Chartiers-Houston Community Library was featured on KDKA.

Had a call from a resident regarding taking over the roads in the Arden Mills Development. The resident was informed the plan had approved as private roads and they should contact the Manager.

Tree Pine Lawn Home - The owner is to be notified.

OLD BUSINESS:

Fence Ordinance – Pending issues are barbed wire and the possibility of moving the wording over from the old ordinance the language relating to barbed wire fencing, and addressing two fences on property line leaving a gap between each fence.

A motion was made by Mr. Kiehl and seconded by Mr. Metzler to table the Fence Ordinance Amendment until July 6, 2010 when action will be taken. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

A motion was made by Mr. Kiehl and seconded by Mr. Metzler to authorize payment of invoices (General Fund: Checks 24811-24863: \$131,424.58; Light Fund: Checks 1375, 1376: \$5,235.40; Fire Hydrant Fund: Checks 1378-1380: \$3,548.85; Revenue Gaming Fund: Check 1001: \$9,074.00; Sewer Fund: Checks 2299-2305: \$846.26; Arnold Park Fund: Check 1322: \$172.80; Grand Total All Funds: \$150,301.89). Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Kiehl and seconded by Mr. Metzler to approve 2009 Residents refunds in the amount of \$41.18. Motion carried. A motion was made by Mr. Kiehl and seconded by Mr. Metzler to approve 2007 Non-Residents refunds in the amount of \$733.13. Motion carried

A motion was made by Mr. Kiehl and seconded by Mr. Metzler to approve 2008 Non-Residents refunds in the amount of \$968.68. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Kiehl and seconded by Mr. Metzler to approve 2009 Non Residents refunds in the amount of \$5,365.31. Motion carried

A motion was made by Mr. Kiehl and seconded by Mr. Metzler to approve 2010 Real Estate Tax refund in the amount of \$20.76. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Kiehl and seconded by Mr. Metzler to hire five seasonal employees (Frank Martencic, Jared Jankowski, Colton Miller, Matthew Paris, Matthew Johnston) in the Public Works Department at \$10.00 per hour not to exceed 100 days. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Discuss Silver Maples Road – This is to be held until the School District begins their project.

Discuss proposed Engine Retarder/Brake Ordinance – This is to be held until after the hearing on July 13, 2010.

Discuss Service Agreement for roads impacted by heavy haulers – This is to be brought up during a meeting with Range Resources.

Discuss Park and Recreation Planning – The Supervisors are to sit down with the Parks and Recreation Committee to talk about Arnold Park ball fields at their meeting in July.

A motion was made by Mr. Kiehl and seconded by Mr. Metzler to waive the meeting room fee request from the Relay for Life for July 10, August 14, October 2, November 6 and December 4, 2010. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Kiehl and seconded by Mr. Metzler to approve Chartiers Township Volunteer Fire Department May bills in the amount of \$14,143.42. Motion carried.

After a brief discussion regarding the installation of Children at Play signs at the Soccer Field on Country Club Road requested by the Soccer Association Mr. Jeffries was asked to make a recommendation to the Board as to the appropriate signs needed. The Board showed concern with traffic at the entrance of the Soccer Field.

A motion was made by Mr. Kiehl and seconded by Mr. Metzler to approve the Park and Recreation Board request to spend \$282.00 entrance fee (one bus) to Shaker Woods. Motion carried.

Norman J. Strimel 101 Kings Rd., Washington PA 15301

Mr. Strimel's concern is the gas drilling 24/7 and the noise. He is also concerned on the effects of his water supply and contamination. Mr. Strimel was informed of the hearing on the gas oil and well ordinance scheduled for July 13, 2010.

Frank Guzel Oak Spring Rd. Canonsburg, PA. 15317

Mr. Guzel asked for the status of his recent complaint regarding the gas well on Ridge Avenue.

Mr. Guzel was informed with the investigation the Fire Department responded to it. It was addressed and people did respond to it.

Range Resources/Mark West has committed in training the Fir Department. Mr. Ivery is to check on this.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

None

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by Mr. Kiehl and seconded by Mr. Metzler to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 p.m. Motion carried.

Richard W. Metzler Secretary

Wendy Williams, Recording Secretary