

July 15, 2009

The Board of Supervisors of Pennsbury Township held a regular meeting on Wednesday, July 15, 2009. Messrs Scottoline, Oeste and Ms. Wood were present and the minutes approved as amended.

**Township Manager Kathleen Howley** reported the following:

- Historic Commission – will address Reyburn Tavern request at their July meeting. The historic survey is complete and final draft being reviewed. The public presentation by Bob Wise, consultant will be held on Thursday, September 24<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. in the township building. This will be advertised and an invitation sent out to those property owners who are included in the survey.
- The Board passed a resolution naming our primary voting delegate to the County Tax Collection Committee as Geoffrey Langdon and alternate delegate is James Sears.
- Ag Security District – Mr. Neilson has requested inclusion in this district. This has been advertised and sent to the County Planning Commission for their comments. Out planning commission has seen this and has no further comments.
- The Supervisors signed an extension agreement with Chester County Visions Partnership Grant for the historic survey (new date October 31, 2009) and the zoning ordinance update (new date Jan. 31, 2010).
- Bids for the sale of our Wedgewood Drive lot was advertised in the paper and also on the web for opening 7/15. No bids were received, however some bid packages were requested and provided. We will try again next month. Means to get the property listed on the MLS will be explored. Ms. Howley will contact a realtor to see if someone could advertise the lot for a flat fee. Mr. Houtman is researching the cost for having the lot tested for sewage disposal.
- The Township appealed the assessment for the caretaker house in Parker Preserve and it was denied.
- Park Committee – this committee is actively working to organize a park fundraising event. The township supervisors moved and passed a motion to contribute seed money in the amount of \$1000 to get this and any other planned event off the ground. Park Committee member Janice Petrowicz gave a report to the Board on their planning activities. A picnic in the park is planned for Sat. September 26<sup>th</sup> from noon to 4 p.m. with music, food and all types of activities. The Board approved holding this event in the park. It was also noted that the SCCSA will be using our fields for soccer practice on Tuesday and Thursday evenings 5 p.m. to dusk and Saturday mornings 9-noon. They do understand that if there is a public event in the park, they will not be able to hold soccer practice. A lacrosse clinic in the

park is scheduled for the last two Sundays in October and first Sunday in November.

**Road Master Dave Allen** reported the following:

- Road work and material bids were advertised by the Co-op and accepted on June 17<sup>th</sup>. Asphalt Industries was awarded the bid for road work at \$1.78 sq yd = \$73,158, Asphalt Paving awarded bid for micro surfacing at \$2.23 sq yd = \$43,039, and Alger Oil for diesel fuel at \$1.6180/gal = \$6472. The Board moved to accept these bids and all were in favor. Motion carried. The road work will be done in the next 2 weeks.
- The second road bank mowing is underway and we are doing tree trimming.
- Attended LTAP seminar on storm water management.
- Met with the **Brandywine Conservancy** recently about the maintenance of their property along Fairville Road at Rt. 1. The Conservancy has cleaned up some of the trees and bushes hanging over the stone wall into the roadway and hope to get estimates for the repair of the stone wall. We will continue to work with them.

**Rusty Drumheller, Code Enforcement Officer** reported he met with Mr. Moro, new owner of the old Walls property on McFadden Road. He is doing some inside renovation work and will have to submit permits. His goal is to keep up the property and reduce the house from a 2 family dwelling to one family. He has some storm water issues which Mr. Houtman is looking into it. There was also a complaint about storage of materials in the bog turtle colony area. Mr. Moro stated he was meeting with PA Fish & Boat commission to make sure he is in compliance. There has also been some solicitors recently going throughout the township and there was some discussion on a possible ordinance to control this type of business. There was one incident whereby the resident called the state police. It was agreed that more research should be done on this to determine how big of a problem it is in our township. The railroad has cleaned up the area around Taylor's garage. Will talk to Dave Taylor about now getting the old truck out of that area. New state building codes are being considered having to do with sprinkler systems in residential homes. Mostly likely this will be adopted January/2010. Residential contractors must now register with the state. The township will not do this anymore.

**Dambro Subdivision** – Jim Fritsch from Register was present to ask approval of a subdivision for a 2 ft strip of land between lots 2 & 3 in Parker Preserve which would be turned over to Dr. Sciscione (adjacent property owner) for putting in public water to his property. Mr. Fritsch gave a background on the subdivision. The township and county planning commissions gave a recommendation of approval as well as Mr. Houtman. The supervisors moved to approve the final plans subject to the condition that Mr. Dambro file with the township a copy of the

deed which merged the 2 ft strip with the Sciscione property. All were in favor and motion passed.

Mr. Houtman stated the Knoll curb project will start no later than July 22<sup>nd</sup> and finish up before school starts. It was also noted that the \$150,000 loan to help pay for this project was funded yesterday and money received.

Windmill Hollow planning modules – a resolution was passed to send these modules onto DEP for their review. Mr. Scottoline and Ms. Wood voted in favor of this and Ms. Howley signed the resolution as required. This is a 10 lot subdivision with on site sewage on 10 acre lots.

Mr. Scottoline gave an update on the Act 537 plans and also meetings that have been held with PVA and Jack Becker (Penns Village).

Bob Crandell reported on the last meeting of the Planning Commission on 6/23. There was no meeting on 7/14. Mr. Oeste reported there is no change from last month on the litigation status. Mr. Scottoline reported legal expenses through June are at \$68,341. Mrs. Ralph requested that the budget versus actual through June be put on the web and copies available to the public. Mr. Orenshaw stated he had previously talked to Mr. Oeste about the use of township equipment by the road crew for personal reasons. Mr. Oeste stated this is not township policy and it has been addressed with the appropriate individuals. Administrative action has been taken.

A bill list dated July 15, 2009 numbering 10610-10679 was submitted and approved for payment by the Board. With no further business the meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Kathleen Howley  
Township Manager