

September 22, 2010

The Board of Supervisors of Pennsbury Township held a regular meeting on Wednesday, September 22, 2010. Messrs. Fenton, Scottoline, McIntyre, Oeste and Ms. Howley were present and the minutes approved as submitted.

Wedgewood Lot Bid Opening – bids were duly advertised for opening at this meeting. One bid was received from Mr. & Mrs. Alcaraz in the amount of \$30,000. Mr. Alcaraz was advised the Board will take the bid under advisement and render a decision at their October 20th meeting.

Manager Kathleen Howley reported the following:

1. Battle Path Resolution #9-22-2 supporting the battle path trail network preliminary concept and the study of future non-township funding for this project was approved and signed by the Board. Resolution \$9-22-1 supporting the Growing Greener Program and the continued funding of this program at all government levels was approved by the Board and signed by Mr. Fenton.
2. Alma Forsyth gave an update on possible funding of the proposed bike path along Rt. 52 in our township
3. Act 32 authorizes the collection of earned income tax(EIT) at the County level starting 1/1/11. Chester County's EIT collector has been selected and is the Keystone Collection Group. Mandatory county collection of EIT commences on 1/1/12. Our present EIT tax collection, Berkheimer Assoc. must be notified they will no longer collect our taxes, otherwise our contract with them renews by default. A motion was made and passed unanimously to authorize the township manager and solicitor to provide notice of termination to H.A. Berkheimer, Inc of all agreements and contracts with Berkheimer for collection of township taxes, not only the EIT but also real estate, local service and fire hydrant taxes. We have planned to transfer non-EIT tax collection to Keystone Collections Group as soon as relationships with Berkheimer can be terminated. For a new tax collector designated for collection of property taxes, our township Tax Collector, Mary Wood, should authorize them to do this task.
4. **Park Committee** – there will be a "picnic in the park" this weekend on Saturday from 3-6 p.m. \$5 per car, live music, food, ice cream, hayrides and pumpkin decorating.
5. Eagle Scout projects; Justin Miller did not appear, but he proposes to install mile markers along our walking paths. Conner McShane was present to discuss his project which will be a mosaic depicting a township logo for the Harris Room. Mr. McIntyre will work with him on the design.
6. The township received a check in the amount of \$10,739 from FEMA for reimbursement of expenses as a result of the large snow storms this past February.

7. The Board has decided to table indefinitely the proposed U&O for Resale of Property ordinance after reviewing concerns expressed by residents with the wording and procedures in the proposed ordinance.
8. The budget workshop will be Monday, Oct. 18th at 8:30 a.m. in the township building.

Road Master Report

Ms. Howley read the road report from Dave Allen. The last road bank mowing is being done, select cul de sacs have been paved and they will be working on the cul de sac on McFadden Road once Mr. Houtman stakes the right of way.

Code Enforcement Office Report

Gilbert House, Fairville Road – Mr. Gilbert was to submit a demolition permit to take down this house which has been abandoned for the past 7 years but did not do this. He did not appear in District Court last week and will be fined. Mr. Drumheller must request another hearing date.

Township Engineer Matt Houtman requested an escrow release for Springdale Farm in the amount of \$80,750, which the Board approved and signed. He also reported that there is activity on the Kissell Subdivision – 2 lots have been sold and also Mr. Dambro is building another home in Parker Preserve. Wes Atkins was present and stated he is clearing his lot off McFadden Road and has run into some problems with the neighbors. There has been some criminal mischief which he has reported to the State Police. He will be working with Mr. Houtman as he continues to clear his lot.

Supervisor & Solicitor Report

Mr. Scottoline reported the township is waiting to hear from PVA for information requested by DEP for our Act 537 which had been submitted to DEP. Mr. Oeste is working on the proposed historical amendment dealing with rehabilitation/restoration and will address it at the October 20th Board meeting.

Planning Commission

Mr. Crandell reported there has been no Planning Commission meetings this past month.

There will be a Resident Awareness program on Oct. 14th at 7 p.m. Subject will be our Pennsbury Township fits into the Battle of the Brandywine and presented by Chester County Preservation. Everyone is welcome.

A bill list dated 9/22/10 numbering 11622-11688 was submitted and approved for payment by the Board. With no further business the meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted: Kathleen Howley, Township Manager

