

November 17, 2010

The Board of Supervisors of Pennsbury Township held a regular meeting on Wednesday, November 17, 2010. Messrs. Fenton, Scottoline, McIntyre, Oeste and Ms. Howley were present and the minutes approved as submitted.

Service Recognition Award – Wendell Fenton announced the first name to go on the plaque for outstanding service to the township is Susan Hauser. Susan was the chair of the Historical Commission when she passed away in September, 2009. She was a resident of the township for more than 30 years and active on the Commission for 20 years. She was a hard worker and is missed by all. Her husband, William was present and thanked the township for this recognition for Susan.

Township Manager Kathleen Howley reported the following:

- The proposed budget for 2011 has been posted and is also on the web. Projected revenues and expenses are \$1,185,782. The Board will adopt the budget at their December 15, 2010 meeting. There is no tax increase anticipated.
- The township received a recycling grant in the amount of \$8832.00 from the state for the SECCRA recycling bins at the building.

Road Master David Allen submitted a written report which Ms. Howley read aloud. The road crew is finishing up chipping branches and has collected 80 cubic yards of leaves. The salt spreader will be put on the trucks next week and they continue to inspect culverts throughout the township. The township has hired Jim Decker's replacement. Gregory "Pete" Laws started 11/1/10 and comes to us with a strong background in road work.

Township Engineer Matt Houtman reported on the damage to the culvert on Brintons Bridge Road. This culvert was last replaced in 2005. The stream channel over the years had changed and created a corkscrew type current directly under the bridge which eroded the ground underneath the bridge footings. The road was closed on 11/4 and will be closed approximately 4 weeks. A.J. Jurich has been hired on a time and material basis to assess the damages and do the repairs. The contract shall not exceed \$50,000 unless additional approval is secured from the township.

The Board of Supervisors unanimously voted for and approved the appointment of Geoff Langdon as **township auditor** replacing Don Altmaier who resigned the post last month. Mr. Langdon will serve in this capacity until the 2011 general election. The Board of Supervisors unanimously voted to appoint Thomas Lowry as **assistant zoning officer and assistant code official** to administer and enforce the township zoning ordinance and codes. Mr. Lowry works for Municipal Support Services and his rate is \$82.40/hr.

The Board unanimously voted to approve and sign the Act 32 Tax Collection Ordinance as advertised in the newspaper. A resolution was also signed to appoint Berkheimer Assoc. as our EIT tax collector for 2011 only, at the rate of 1.35% which is the same as Keystone Collections. Keystone Collections will start collecting the tax in 2012 for our township.

Mr. Crandell reported the Planning Commission reviewed the proposed draft update of the historic restoration/rehabilitation/renovation ordinance from Tom Oeste. A bill list dates November 17th numbering 11748-11817, State Fund 253-255 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