

January 18, 2005

The Board of Supervisors of Pennsbury Township held a regular meeting on Tuesday, January 18, 2005. All members were present and the minutes approved as submitted.

Township Manager Kathleen Howley reported the following:

Signal Service contract for traffic light maintenance remains the same for '05 at \$1800. The contract was signed by the Board.

Kissell subdivision – a letter was received by the township advising us that the Kissell's have granted the township a 30 days extension for the review of their 4 lot subdivision.

The township received a letter from the County regarding their "challenge grant" for the preservation of agricultural lands. There is some property in the township which has applied for this money and the county would like to know if we would match the value. The Board asked Ms. Howley to find out which property it is and if it is on our open space preservation list so that we can use our open space money.

Roadmaster Dave Allen reported the following:

Dave did take pictures of the Knoll properties that had the recent landscaping work washed out by storms. This will be addressed in the spring. It was also agreed that work was not completed by the contractor on Mr. Cannon's driveway. This will either be completed by township road crew or when Mr. Cannon has his driveway redone and the township will go back to Geyer Construction to get reimbursed.

Doing work on Brintons Bridge Road – filling in gutters with stone.

Fixed a sink hole on Hanover Drive

There are two properties along Hillendale road near Virginia Place that looks like they are discharging water onto the road. This is causing an icing problem. They will be contacted by Chester County Health Department.

Township Engineer Matt Houtman reported the following:

The bridge on Brintons Bridge Road near Pocopson Road collapsed last week. The road is closed to the public. DEP said they would be able to issue an emergency permit. The bid process can be abbreviated but must go with prevailing wages. Matt will present all information to proceed at the next meeting. Supervisors stated that the information on the closing of the road went out to the resident email list and also mailed a post card to everyone in the township.

Lyman – still waiting to hear from Alison Megill. Mrs. Ralph has contacted on several occasions with no response. Mr. Goldzak offered to try and contact her also. Township needs her approval and input on the proposed plan. With this information then Matt can go back to CCCD and finish the plan process. John Spangler advised that the township should have an agreement in writing from Mrs. Megill regarding the piping on her property and the maintenance shall be the township's responsibility.

Cossart Manor Road – Mr. Copeland, on behalf of the residents, requested the township consider the take over of this private road. It was agreed that Matt Houtman and Dave Allen will do an inspection in the spring and let the residents know what has to be done before the township will take the road over. Ms. Howley will contact Mr. Copeland.

Matt is working on the next phase bid documents for the Knoll which should be ready by the February 21st meeting.

Kates Subdivision – Mrs. Spangler reported there were 2 plans submitted to the township – one about a year and a half ago for a regular 3 lot subdivision. The applicant asked for waivers which were denied by the Board. The applicant's attorney, Mr. Bravacos then filed an appeal with the courts. However, the applicant proceeded to submit

another 3 lot subdivision using the open space design ordinance. Mr. Houtman again reviewed this plan and determined it did not meet our ordinances for 3 lots, only 2 lots. Mr. Spangler talked to Mr. Bravacos today and he advised Mr. Spangler that they were going to go ahead with the appeal of the waivers in court. However, the applicant could appeal to the zoning hearing board on the 3 lot open space design plan. Mr. Spangler will ask Mr. Bravacos if he wishes to pursue this. An answer is requested by 1/21/05 and if they do not wish to appeal to the township, the supervisors will issue a letter turning down the subdivision applications. Mr. Orenshaw was present and stated he had a monetary interest in seeing the plan approved as a 3 lot subdivision. He also asked the township to look into the properties on Hillendale Road that appear to be discharging water onto the road, dumping of dirt at 28 Stirling Way, alleged boarding house being run at 23 Hillendale and a day care center being run at 33 Stirling Way. Mr. Drumheller will be asked to follow up on this.

EMS tax ordinance – the tax was advertised for adoption. The proceeds can only be used for fire/police/emergency services, road maintenance and tax reduction. This will be a one time charge for \$52 per employee working in the township. The board adopted the ordinance and signed it.

Tax anticipation note – a resolution was passed and signed to borrow \$200,000 from the Peoples Bank of Oxford to be paid back by December 31, 2005 with an interest of 3.3%. This is being done to pay township bills until taxes are received by end of 2nd quarter.

A bill list dated January 18th numbering 6875-6919 was submitted and approved for payment by the Board. With no further business the meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Kathleen Howley
Township Manager