

February 7, 2005

The Board of Supervisors of Pennsbury Township held a regular meeting on Monday, February 7, 2005. All members were present and the minutes approved as submitted.

Township Manager Kathleen Howley reported the following:

The park project will not be done this year. The supervisors have decided to divert money for the park in order to repair Brintons Bridge Road bridge. The estimated cost of the repairs is approximately \$100,000 and this was not in our budget. The county grant of \$200,000 will have to be returned to the county and the township will reapply to the county and state for grant money in order to recapture this shortfall. The township does have one other county grant of \$250,000 which expires next year. The township will revisit this project for next year.

The Board signed a commitment letter for the County Grant Challenge which would commit the township to match funds for the preservation of agricultural rights on the Mendenhall Farm up to \$270,000 if the farm came up on their list for this year.

A resolution for the disposition of township records was signed by the Board. This authorizes the destruction of itemized records.

A resolution on "public comment" at township meetings was signed by the Board.

A resolution authorizing Berkheimer Assoc. to collect additional tax connected to delinquent tax collections was signed by the Board.

A resolution was passed identifying the National Incident Management Systems as the standard for the municipality.

CCATO will hold their spring convention on March 3rd in Exton. Messrs. Reynolds, Spangler, Karen Wood and Kathy Howley will attend.

Ms. Howley has contacted the Health Department regarding possible grey water on Hillendale Road near Virginia Place. They will report back to us when the weather gets better and they can identify the origin.

Code Enforcement Officer Rusty Drumheller reported that he will have something for the township to review soon on the uniform construction code and how we might regulate residential through zoning.

Bob Orenshaw was present and asked about the alleged violations he reported at the last meeting. Mr. Drumheller had responded to him in writing that he did investigate them and found no violations. However, he has asked Mr. Houtman to check out the property at 28 Stirling Way to see if in fact they need a permit for dirt dumping. If Mr. Orenshaw has any other complaints he must put them in writing to the township.

The Klingerman zoning hearing board meeting will be held on March 1st. They propose to exceed the lot coverage for a non-conforming lot. The township will take no position on this.

Planning Commission Chair Bob Crandell reported that the members will be on February 16th with the county to review the update of the Comprehensive Plan. Their previous meeting was postponed because of weather. They will also meet on their scheduled days.

Bill Reynolds stated that the town center hearing previously scheduled for February 22nd in the Chester County court has been cancelled and a visiting judge must be found to hear the case. This has not been scheduled yet. It has been suggested by Mr. Patten that we go ahead with February 22nd to see if any township resident wants to become party to the hearing.

Karen Wood reported that a sign has been completed for the Pennsbury Mill. This was an Eagle Scout project by Keith Kinera. She also mentioned that the Pennsbury Historic Preservation Group has been formed as a non-profit organization in order to accept donations for the restoration of the mill.

John Spangler reported that Mr. Mitch had contacted him about an increase in the footage disturbance for his addition and he had been granted a variance previously. He was advised that he would have to go back to the zoning hearing board for another hearing.

Matt Houtman, township engineer, reported the following:

Lyman plans have been completed. 2 more bids must be obtained. There is a cap of \$40,000 reimbursement from the County Conservation District. Remainder of financing of the project is uncertain. A copy of the plan was given to Mr. Goldzak who was present.

Mr. Lerro of Hamorton Woods wrote a letter to the township questioning our decision for addressing storm water issues in the Knoll and not his property. Mr. Houtman will respond in writing to him as will the township to answer his questions. Mr. Houtman stated that the water is conveyed properly around his house and any erosion is not a township issue.

The next phase of the Knoll project will be introduced at the 2/22 meeting.

Will meet with DEP on 2/10 regarding the Brintons Bridge project.

DEP sent a letter on MS4 reporting. This will be addressed.

A bill list dated February 7, 2005 numbering 6921-6977 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