

December 19, 2005

The Board of Supervisors of Pennsbury Township held a regular meeting on Monday, December 19, 2005. Karen Wood, George Asimos Jr, John Spangler and Kathleen Howley were present and the minutes approved as submitted.

A public hearing was held for the continuation of the proposed amendment to the TND ordinance. A court reporter took minutes for the record. It was agreed that the hearing would be continued on January 30, 2006 at 7:30 p.m. after revisions are reviewed by all appropriate parties. The record was closed and the regularly scheduled supervisor's meeting continued.

John Spangler stated that there were three executive sessions (12/13, 12/16 and 12/19) held with supervisors and interested parties present to discuss possible negotiations and settlement with regard to the properties surrounding the township building.

The '06 budget was advertised for adoption and is on our website. However, Ms. Wood stated that there was a cash balance discrepancy found last week which will leave us with no cash reserves going into '06. It was decided to go ahead with the passage of this budget and reopen it in January with the supervisors to discuss a possible tax increase to compensate for this. George Asimos stated that the township budget is not big compared to other township and operations are run on a tight budget. The budget is balanced at \$889,100. The township will take out a tax anticipation loan in case we need it for the first quarter of next year. There were some discussion on the fire company contribution figure and vehicle operating expense which was explained. With no further discussion the budget was voted on and passed.

Matt Houtman was not present and handed in a report. Ms. Howley reported that Cassidy & Sons will do the additional inlet work in the Knoll for \$7500. Mr. Houtman is pursuing railroad permission to work in their right of way. **Ridge at Chadds Ford** – Mr. Houtman reported the PennDot issue has been resolved. A punch list of items to be addressed before dedication was given to the Board and also sent to Mr. Berlin. Mr. Fenton questioned the status of the Roy Faville drainage problem. Mr. Asimos stated that we are waiting to hear from his engineer about the corrective action to be done by the railroad where most of the problem stems. However, at some future time, the township recognizes that we might have to replace and lengthen the pipe under Hickory Hill Road. Dave Allen will be asked to look into the problem of water crossing Hickory Hill Road near the Kissell driveway during the thaw season. This sometimes freezes and produces ice.

Ms. Howley reported SECCRA will be raising their rates from \$52/ton to \$55 come January. The Planning Commission reported they will be meeting on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month at 7:15 p.m. effective January, '06.

A bill list dated December 19, 2005 numbering 7682-7708 was submitted and approved for payment by the Board. With no further business the meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Kathleen Howley
Township Manager