

April 17, 2008

The Board of Supervisors of Pennsbury Township held a regular meeting on Thursday, April 17, 2008 at 7 p.m. at Crosslands Retirement Community. All members were present and the minutes approved as submitted.

**Manager Kathleen Howley** reported the following:

1. Parker Preserve – sent request for proposal out today to NALT and Brandywine Conservancy for a quote on an open space management plan and easement for the township owned preserve.
2. Board signed the Dambro/Sciscione Agreement which includes a change to the approved landscaping plan for Parker Preserve. Mr. Dambro and Dr. Sciscione will sign the agreement and it will be recorded. I've asked for a completed copy of the agreement with exhibits for our files.
3. The Board approved a 90 day extension for the Fietcher 3 lot subdivision. The new deadline is 7/22/08.
4. Received a letter from PEMA approving Chuck Ditzel's appointment as our emergency management coordinator. The office of governor will be sending a letter to confirm this appointment.
5. The township has an easement on the Mendenhall property. There will be further discussions as to who will monitor this easement for the township. Since it was just put on last December, we will address this later on in the year.
6. The next township meeting will be Wednesday, May 14, 2008. Thereafter, for the rest of the year, supervisor meetings will be the third Wednesday of the month at 7 p.m. in the township building. Additional changes had to be made because of conflicts in supervisor personal schedules. This will be advertised and posted.

**Roadmaster Dave Allen** – on vacation. Ms. Howley reported the following:

1. There was a readvertising of the township truck for sale and minimum bid is \$6000. Three bids were received. Parks Motors for \$4200, New Township for \$6553.11, Bob Orenshaw \$6151. The bid was awarded to Newlin Township.
2. Road inspection will be Saturday 4/26 at 8 a.m.
3. Dave will attend a meeting at the County on 4/29 regarding future maintenance work that Colonial Pipeline will be doing in the township.
4. Branch pick up starts the week of April 28<sup>th</sup>.

**Township Engineer Matt Houtman** reported the following:

1. Working on the design of the Knoll curb – section IV. Will also have Register as another engineer who will review the plans and confirm the design.
2. Mendenhall land disturbance – there was some dirt moving and talked to Steve Eichinger. Work has ceased and nothing since then. Reminded them of permitting if there is further work.
3. Submitted comments to the Board on the most recent amendment proposed to the HC district for assisted living. The proposal is being reviewed by Larry Wood before being sent to the County and advertising for adoption.
4. Submitted a permit for a foot bridge to DEP for Pennsbury Mill.
5. Provided improvement costs for Hawks Crest. This information will be used to draft the legal documents. Mr. Wood and Bob Adams are working on this.
6. Have contacted the HOA for Hanover Hunt regarding the repairs needed for the basin near Chandler Rd & Fox Run Drive. The HOA said they would be in contact with me to get direction for the work needed there.
7. Issued a letter to the Masters at 41 Blue Stone Dr. telling them to cease moving dirt on their property until they get the proper permitting.

Rusty Drumheller submitted a written report stating that construction is slow. Issued one building permit last month. Attended a class on fireworks displays and pool regulations. Met with potential new owners of units in Fairville Village. Mr. Drumheller will be asked to visit the Mendenhall property to determine if there are any maintenance code violations. A complaint was received from a neighbor.

Mr. Scottoline reported that Sunrise continues to do deep soil pit testing on their property and is in contact with our consultants with their results.

Mr. Fenton reported the 2007 audit has been completed and the township is in good financial standing. The financial statement is on the website. There was a meeting held last week in Chadds Ford Township on the proposed replacement of the Creek Road bridge. PennDot has assigned a consultant to this project and a public meeting was held. Completion is tentatively scheduled for 2014. Mr. Fenton attended the Regional Planning Commission meeting and the following was discussed:

- Slow down of construction in Pocopson Township
- Kennett Township still working on proposed traffic light for Rt 52 & Hillendale Road
- Some township participating in a study on regional police forces
- Update on proposed new library in Kennett.
- Chadds Ford Business Assn. held their monthly lunch at the township building on April 10<sup>th</sup>.

Ms. Wood stated the library will be in contact with our township in the Fall to give us an update of where they are at in the process for a new building. Pennsbury Mill is partnering with Exelon and will be conducting school tours new week at the Mill.

Susan Hauser reported on the status of the historic survey being done in the township. Site visits and photos are being completed. Will be meeting with the new owners of some of the historic structures in Fairville Village next week to go over proposed renovations to their buildings.

Larry Wood gave an update on court cases. There was a hearing held on 4/9 for the writ of prohibition. Pennsbury Village wanted the courts to appoint a master for approvals to their plans. The court asked for briefs from both sides by month end and next court date will be May 5<sup>th</sup>. Our insurance company has notified the township that they will not cover us for this litigation. The township is in the process of preparing a complaint to see if the courts agree. Right now the township is paying for litigation costs. If the courts rule against the township, then we will have to revisit who pays for litigation.

Bob Crandell reported the Planning Commission met last night with the supervisors and County consultants to discuss the open space design option as use by right in the update of the zoning ordinance.

A letter was received from DEP citing planning module deficiencies on the Orenshaw submission. Ms. Howley talked to Mr. Fenn, consultant for the applicant, who said they would be resubmitting a revised module addressing these next week. At that time the zoning officer will sign off on it and resubmit to DEP for their review. Mr. Orenshaw also asked the township to look into drainage off Hillendale Road onto his property. Mr. Houtman will look into this.

Mr. McCarthy who lives in Ravenhollow had questions regarding the old Parkerville School House which is abandoned and owned by Crosslands. He is concerned with the deterioration of the building. Mr. DeBaun of Crosslands stated they have done some "shoring up" of the property but it is not habitable because of any sewage system. They plan on hopefully selling the structure to someone who would renovate it. Susan Hauser gave a history of the structure and spoke about its historic value

A bill list dated April 17 numbering 9558-9625 was submitted and approved by the Board. With no further business the meeting adjourned at 8 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Kathleen Howley  
Township Manager