

July 16, 2008

The Board of Supervisors of Pennsbury Township held a regular meeting on Wednesday, July 16, 2008. All members, Mr. Wood and Kathleen Howley were present and the minutes approved as submitted.

Manager Kathleen Howley reported:

1. Will set up a meeting with the Brandywine Conservancy regarding a site walk on the Parker Preserve property in conjunction with the open space management plan/easement project. Karen Wood asked Mr. Fenton to check into why the Conservancy does not have an easement on the property they own along Fairville Road in our township.
2. Wrote a letter to PennDot requesting they do a speed study on Rt. 1 throughout our township. Also wrote them a letter requesting a brake retarder sign for Rt. 1 near Constitution Drive and a 4 way stop sign for Pocopson Road and Brintons Bridge Road.
3. Received approval from DEP on the Orenshaw planning modules
4. Adam Peterson is working on the redesign of our website and will have some suggestions in the next couple of weeks. Cannot update our website because of a problem with our server. Eric Barsamian is working on this.
5. We are going to receive some composting bins from the County and will be conducting a composting seminar late September for all residents who would like to receive a FREE composting bin.
6. The township legal fees from January through June are \$33980. The budgeted figure for the year is \$25,000.

Roadmaster Dave Allen submitted a written report:

1. Met with Matt Houtman July 2nd and looked at all township road surfaces. Will meet again in the fall to look at drainage culverts, bridges and pipes. Once this is complete, Matt will put a report together for our files which will help with long range planning for maintenance of these roads/culverts.
2. Asphalt Industries is finished with precoat oil & chipping our roads. Did a great job.
3. Working on second road bank mowing
4. Continue to trim brush and tree limbs from signs & intersections. Reese Reynolds stated the crew is doing a nice job on this.
5. Replacing signs on Chandler road and Brintons Bridge Road.
6. Detour sign is gone along Pocopson Road.

Codes Enforcement Officer Rusty Drumheller submitted a written report as attached. There was some discussion on whether or not the township wants to regulate itinerant vendors. Mr. Scottoline and Ms. Wood asked that Mr.

Drumheller submit a proposal to the township for review and also his views on how this could be regulated and where in our township.

Matt Houtman, Township Engineer, reported the following:

1. Knoll curb project – submitted copies of the proposed project to the reviewing engineer, Register, and will await confirmation. Next step will be to advertise for bids for the August 20th meeting.
2. Fiechter 3 lot Subdivision – the applicant has satisfied all issues, except for the riparian buffer document and our Planning Commission and the County Planning Commission has submitted their comments. The applicant's engineer was present and said they would pursue drafting this document and submit it for approval. The Board of Supervisors moved to approve the plans with the condition that the riparian covenant be submitted and approved by the township.
3. Hanover Hunt Basin – Mr. Houtman will contact Mr. McIntyre this week to schedule the work to be done.
4. Mr. Fenton asked Mr. Houtman to review his notes from a year or two ago on a possible replacement of a pipe under Hickory Hill Road near Mr. Faville's residence and whether or not this pipe would solve Mr. Faville's water problems.

Karen Wood will follow up with Mr. Carbonell regarding scheduling of a LEED committee meeting.

Open Space Tax – sunsets 12/31/08. The supervisors discussed the options on continuing this tax. The response from the County as to whether or not the township could have a nonbinding referendum on the fall ballot was not clear and Mr. Wood will follow up. The Board moved and passed to have Mr. Wood verify whether or not the township can place a nonbinding referendum on the ballot. If not, then Mr. Wood was instructed to draft the ordinance for placing the question of an open space tax under Act 153 on the fall ballot. This ordinance will be advertised for the August 20th meeting. Messrs. Scottoline and Fenton and Ms. Wood voted in favor. The township may want to decrease the tax in which case the ordinance would reflect this decrease in tax.

Mr. Scottoline reported on the proposed HC assisted living amendment. It was moved and passed by the Board to send this amendment onto the township Planning Commission and County Planning Commission for review and comment. Messrs. Scottoline and Fenton voted in favor and Ms. Wood voted no.

Mr. Scottoline gave an update on discussions the township has been having with Sunrise and how they might be able to accommodate future township sewage needs as they develop their sewage plant. The supervisors did meet with Sunrise today to share information on this subject. Mr. Scottoline reported Sunrise will now have one building with 84 units and make available

approximately 3 acres of land for subsurface disposal. Their proposed plant would be built for possible future expansion. The Board moved and passed to have Castle Valley pursue "water reuse" for sewage disposal with DEP. Messrs. Scottoline and Fenton voted in favor and Ms. Wood voted no.

Mr. Wood gave an update of the township litigation status.

Anita Conner from the Kennett Senior Center asked the township to consider financial support of their organization in the 2009 budget. Approximately 10% of our residents use the center and they would like us to consider a \$1000 donation. The board thanked her for the presentation and will consider this.

Mrs. Forsyth gave an update on the Rt. 52 Scenic Byway committee work. Mr. Washko updated the Board on township planning commission work. He also stated that Barbara Kurowski was appointed the regional planning commission representative for the remainder of 2008.

Ms. Wood asked Mr. Crandell to explain what type of organization is Pennsbury Land and Environmental Alliance. Mr. Crandell stated it is a non profit that is not affiliated with the township or Pennsbury Land Trust.

Mr. Sherman agreed to pursue with Crosslands ways in which the township can get information to their residents. The Board approved a bill list dated July 16, 2008 numbering 9755-9825, State Fund #229, 230 for payment. With no further business the meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Kathleen Howley
Township Manager