

July 12, 2012

The Heidelberg Township Board of Supervisors held their regular meeting at 7:30 p.m. at the Municipal Building, 6272 Route 309, New Tripoli PA 18066. Present were Supervisors David Fink, Steve Bachman and Forrest Wessner III, Administrator/Secretary-Treasurer Janice Bortz, Kevin Huber, Road Superintendent, Township Solicitor Keith Strohl, and Township Zoning and Code Enforcement Officer Ronald Helman. Kathy Hermany, assistant secretary, kept record of the minutes.

Pledge of Allegiance

Recording of Meeting: Resident Charlie Perich video recorded the meeting.

Approve minutes of the June 14, 2012 meeting: Steve Bachman made a correction to the June 14, 2012 meeting minutes. The correction is in the paragraph under Parks and Recreation; it should stand corrected that Ontelaunee Park is working on lacrosse fields not the Northwestern Recreation Commission. A motion was made by Forrest Wessner III, seconded by Steve Bachman to approve the minutes, with the correction, of the June 14, 2012 meeting. Motion carried.

Public comment on agenda items: Resident Carl Breininger might have public comment.

Executive Session: David Fink, Steve Bachman, Forrest Wessner III, Atty. Strohl, Janice Bortz, and Ronald Helman held an executive session from 7:20 p.m. to 7:40 p.m. Atty. Strohl commented the executive session was to discuss litigation and employment related matters.

Payment of bills: Motion by Forrest Wessner III, seconded by Steve Bachman to approve the payment of the bills General Fund Checks # eft1091 – eft1122 and 18424 – 18462 and State Fund Checks #1674 – 1675. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report:

General Fund Checking 6/1	13,020.28
Revenue and Transfers	57,262.61
Expenditures	<u>(62,841.59)</u>
General Fund Checking 6/29	7,441.30
General Fund Money Market 6/1	98,018.60
Revenue	152,855.84
Expenditures and Transfers	<u>(55,411.11)</u>
General Fund Money Market 6/29	195,463.33
State Fund Checking 6/1	1.00
Revenue and Transfers	0.00
Expenditures	<u>(0.00)</u>
State Fund Checking 6/29	1.00
State Fund Money Market 6/1	134,329.43
Revenue	61.86
Expenditures and Transfers	<u>(0.00)</u>
State Fund Money Market 4/30	134,391.29
Special Revenue Fund Savings 6/1	24,629.75
Revenue and Transfers	6.83
Expenditures and Transfers	<u>(0.00)</u>

Special Revenue Fund Savings 6/29	24,636.58
Recreation Fund Savings 6/1	2,430.30
Revenue and Transfers	.67
Expenditures and Transfers	(0.00)
Recreation Fund Savings 6/29	2,430.97
Hunters Hill Road Bridge Fund 6/1	50,993.45
Revenue	24.53
Expenditures and Transfers	(0.00)
Hunters Hill Road Bridge Fund 6/29	51,017.98

Monthly Reports:

Regional EMS Steering Committee Report: Steve Bachman reported there was no meeting in July.

Fire Company: David Fink reported that Janice had spoken with the Northwestern Medical Center about physicals for the volunteer fire police and fire fighters and the medical center would give a reduced rate of \$50.00. Forms would be provided to the fire fighters and fire police; with an initial physical and then every 3 years. Forrest Wessner III made a motion to pay \$50.00 a physical for any fire fighter and fire police of Goodwill Fire Company (Germansville); an initial physical, with a repeat every 3 (three) years, and new members. Steve Bachman seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Director of Office Operations: Will be addressed later on the agenda.

Director of Parks and Recreation: Steve Bachman reported the Northwestern Recreation Commission did not have a meeting in June. He reported that "A Night in the Country" will be held August 18th with a rain date of August 19th. Miller/Keystone Blood Mobile will be attending, Wiggle will be the cow for the cow flop, and Germansville Fire Company has arranged for Medevac to attend. Lynn/Heidelberg Historical Society will have a barn dedication at Ontelaunee Park on July 13, 2012.

Director of Public Works: David Fink reported that Janice, Kevin, and he met with Penn DOT representatives Brian Boyer, John Davis, and Jeff Roback to discuss the turn back program for Werleys Corner Road.

Road Superintendent: Kevin Huber reported they are finished oiling and chipping. They patched the Northwestern Recreation Commission areas that needed it. The Board indicated the recreation commission should be billed for the cost. The roads have been swept, mowed state roads, ID signs ordered, hauling fill, storm cleanup, etc. Kevin purchased concrete pipe at a discounted price. The replacement truck is now here. Kevin met with Bill McFadden for Jones Road; Bill assured Kevin the money is there for that project. Kevin thanked Carol Betz and Phyllis Breininger for weeding the flower beds. He has plans to pave three roads. Kevin has been receiving complaints about people running the stop sign at Long Court and Weiss Road. David Fink requested Janice Bortz contact the Pa. State Police concerning this issue.

Kevin reported the school has concerns on the timing of the light at Northwest Road and Route 309 during school hours; Kevin will address this with TELCO. Next month Kevin will be working on pipes in the township. Steve Bachman commented the crew did a good job on mowing the shoulders and banks of the roads.

Township Administrator: Janice Bortz reported she did research on the street light tax. In the minute books she found the following: February 2, 1924 - an authorization allowing poles in Pleasant Corner; April 5, 1940 – a petition for street lights to the residents by PPL was authorized by the Board of Supervisors; December 9, 1953 plans and costs were presented to the Board for street lights in Pleasant Corners; April 2, 1954 a petition for street lights was signed by the residents of Pleasant Corner and presented to the Board; March 4, 1955 was the first mention of a street light tax for Pleasant Corner

residents at 20 cents a foot. The Board asked Janice to check with PPL on the procedure for removal of the street lights as an option. The agreement has been signed for the Werleys Corner Road Turnback project. She attended the Delaware Valley Health Insurance seminar. The Print Map has been reviewed and she met with the zoning officer on enforcement issues. She has contacted Jay Scheffler and Randy Metzger requesting a list of all active volunteers that are capable of responding to an emergency; this is requested by the insurance company. She is currently working on an application for a recycling grant, and working with Kevin on possible signage to be posted at the recycle bins concerning what to do when bins are full, etc.

Public comment on the recycling bins:

Resident Charlie Perich questioned the need for the recycling bins and Forrest Wessner III responded he hears positive feedback from the community.

Resident Carl Breininger also questioned the need for the bins.

Resident Wayne Frey commented he appreciates the opportunity to bring his recyclables here.

Resident John Zellner commented that he thinks the individual should address the recycling issue at their residence.

Resident Tina Bailey commented that it is a convenience to have at the township building.

Steve Bachman hears positive comments from the community.

Township Zoning Officer: Ron Helman reported he addressed some high grass complaints.

Township Engineer: No report

EAC report: No report

Subdivisions/Land Development: None

Old Business:

Township Website: There are 3 proposals and also the new IT service would like to submit a proposal. The Board has agreed to wait for their proposal.

Newsletter: Janice Bortz reported she contacted Hometown Press and he will mail a packet of information which we have not received yet. The Board of Supervisors would prefer a fall newsletter.

New Business

LCATO: This is scheduled for August 10, 2012 at the Schnecksville Fire Company. Steve Bachman made a motion to pay the ticket cost for the same positions that were paid for last year. Forrest Wessner III seconded the motion. Motion carried.

IT Services: Digital Cloud gave a proposal for \$100.00 an hour and a one year contract. Steve Bachman made a motion to go with Digital Cloud. Forrest Wessner III seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Township Office: Office staff will rearrange files before requesting file cabinets to be moved.

Public Comment:

Resident Carl Breininger questioned what contract Janice signed with Penn DOT. She responded it is the initial agreement of the Werleys Corner Road Turnback project.

Resident Wayne Frey questioned the safety of the driveways of two new homes along Church Road. He stated that the residents have no turn around and must back onto Church Road. David Fink requested the zoning officer check into this and write letters to the property owners.

Correspondence: None

Adjournment:

Motion by Steve Bachman made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted as transcribed by Kathy Hermany,

Janice M. Bortz
Secretary to the Board of Supervisor