

**SPRINGETTSBURY TOWNSHIP  
REGULAR MEETING**

**MAY 9, 2013  
APPROVED**

The Board of Supervisors of Springettsbury Township held a Regular Meeting on Thursday, May 9, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. at the Township Offices located at 1501 Mt. Zion Road, York, PA.

**MEMBERS IN**

**ATTENDANCE:** Bill Schenck, Chairman  
Don Bishop, Vice Chairman  
Mike Bowman  
George Dvoryak  
Julie Landis

**ALSO IN**

**ATTENDANCE:** John Holman, Township Manager  
Charles Rausch, Solicitor  
John Luciani, Civil Engineer  
Phil DePoe, Environmental Engineer  
Dori Bowders, Manager of Administrative Operations  
Betty Speicher, Director of Human Resources  
Lt. Todd King, Police Department  
Jack Hadge, Finance Director  
Jean Abreght, Stenographer

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

A. Opening Ceremony

**SCHENCK** Chairman Schenck called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**2. ANNOUNCEMENT OF EXECUTIVE SESSIONS**

A. May 1, 2013 – 8:05 p.m. to 8:27 p.m. – Litigation

**SCHENCK** Chairman Schenck announced that an Executive Session was held on May 1, 2013 at approximately 8:05 p.m. to discuss litigation specifically related to the recent lawsuit filed by Supervisor Landis naming the Township, Chairman Bill Schenck and Vice Chairman Don Bishop as Defendants.

**3. COMMUNICATION FROM CITIZENS**

**MILLER** Jean Miller, 1318 East 11<sup>th</sup> Avenue presented two concerns. First, she reported that the speeding on 11<sup>th</sup> Avenue continues and recently there had been an auto accident that had hit a wooden flower barrel, a mail box and two telephone poles. The speed was estimated at 45 to 50 miles an hour. Ms. Miller noted that there is speeding on that street daily, and she requested some assistance.

Secondly, Ms. Miller questioned whether township employees were permitted to take township vehicles home. She noted that she sees a specific truck on Kingston and Edenbridge, as well as at Strictly Fitness after three o'clock in the afternoon.

**HOLMAN** Mr. Holman responded that there are some township employees who are on call 24 hours, such as the Supervisor of Storm Water and Sewer, who needed to respond immediately to problems.

**MILLER** Ms. Miller noted that the individual does not live far from the township building. She felt that the taxpayers' money had paid for the vehicle, and she felt it was being wasted.

**TROTT** David Trott, 3360 Druck Valley Road, commented on remarks made at a previous meeting. Mr. Trott stated that he had been pretty vocal but not against the police officers. He noted that he never had a desire to be the Chief of Police in Springettsbury Township. He had some issues with Chief Hyers that he had brought out in the open. He added that he would continue to be the police department's strongest supporter.

**CURRAN** Jen Curran, 4017 Allison Drive, reported that a very minor accident in January had knocked down the Allison Drive street sign. She had called the township in February and reported that the sign was down, and since then various neighbors had called in to learn when the sign might be installed. She asked what the procedure would be to get a replacement sign.

**HOLMAN** Mr. Holman responded that he would look into the issue immediately and let her know when the sign would be installed.

**HELLER** Jane Heller, Idylwyld Drive, commented on the speeding down Memory Lane Extended. She had brought the issue forward several months ago and there had been some enforcement assistance, but there is considerable risk to the residents exiting Idylwyld, as well as other side streets. The speed limit is 25, 30 miles an hour on Memory Lane Extended, and most vehicles speed at 45 or more. She asked for some additional police presence. She mentioned that speed bumps would help, and if there were some alternatives it would be helpful.

**SCHENCK** Chairman Schenck thanked her and commented that the police officer in the audience was taking notes.

#### **4. ENGINEERING REPORTS**

A. Environmental Engineer – Buchart Horn, Inc.

**SCHENCK** Chairman Schenck noted that Phil DePoe was filling in for Dennis Crabill of Buchart Horn.

**DEPOE** Mr. DePoe reported that Mr. Crabill had submitted his monthly Engineering Report, and he would entertain any questions from the board. There were no questions.

B. Civil Engineer – First Capital Engineering, Inc.

**LUCIANI** Mr. Luciani reported two updates to his written report. With regard to the sidewalk work at York Container, he and Mr. Holman had met with them. They submitted their PennDOT permit to put the sidewalk in, and PennDOT requested that they redo a traffic study. There might be some roadwork modifications, but there had been good progress. York Container had recognized all the pedestrian movements and the need for sidewalk.

Mr. Luciani added that bids will be received on Friday, May 10<sup>th</sup> for the new fire building.

**LANDIS** Ms. Landis questioned the Land Development Plan for the Firehouse Square project. She had previously discussed the proximity of the entrance to Firehouse Square on to Market Street to the signal at Home Depot. She wondered about the additional PennDOT concerns.

**LUCIANI** Mr. Luciani responded that Market Street is a PennDOT roadway. The driveway proposed is a right-in, right-out driveway, and PennDOT's concern was for a car coming out of that driveway making a left turn. He noted there are three lanes proposed: left turn to go up Mill Street, a through lane and a right-turn lane into Home Depot. The concern is for those who want to go up Mill Street would attempt to navigate across the three lanes. Once that concern is addressed, that should complete the PennDOT process.

**BISHOP** Mr. Bishop asked Mr. Luciani whether there was anything that might change the timeframe of the York Container's ultimate requirement.

**LUCIANI** Mr. Luciani assured him that they recognize the need for the sidewalks.

**HOLMAN** Mr. Holman added that he understood they will attempt to come out of the PennDOT right-of-way with the sidewalk, which will take it further off the street and make for a more attractive walkway.

## **5. CONSENT AGENDA**

- A. Acknowledge Receipt of February 19, 2013 York Area United Fire and Rescue Commission Meeting Minutes.
- B. Board of Supervisors Regular Meeting Minutes – April 25, 2013
- C. Regular Payables as Detailed in the Payable Listing of May 9, 2013

**MR. DVORYAK MOVED TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS A THROUGH C. MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.**

**6. SUBDIVISIONS AND LAND DEVELOPMENT**

There were none for action.

**7. BIDS, PROPOSALS, CONTRACTS, AND AGREEMENTS**

A. Authorization to Advertise for Receipt of Sealed Bids – 2013 Road Materials.

**MR. BISHOP MOVED TO AUTHORIZE TO ADVERTISE FOR RECEIPT OF SEALED BIDS - 2013 ROAD MATERIALS. MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.**

B. Authorization to Advertise for Bids for Sewer Improvement Projects on Raleigh Drive, Mt. Zion Road and Circle Drive.

**MS. LANDIS MOVED TO AUTHORIZE TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR SEWER IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS FOR RALEIGH DRIVE, MT. ZION ROAD AND CIRCLE DRIVE. MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.**

C. Authorization to Enter into Agreement with Central York School District for Provision of School Resource Officer Beginning September 1, 2013 through June 1, 2014.

**MR. DVORYAK MOVED TO AUTHORIZE ENTERING INTO AGREEMENT WITH CENTRAL YORK SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR PROVISION OF SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 1, 2013 THROUGH JUNE 1, 2014. MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.**

**8. COMMUNICATION FROM SUPERVISORS**

**BOWMAN** Mr. Bowman commented about the continual complaints concerning speeding within the township. He noted that on nearly every major road and smaller neighborhood streets there are complaints. He was not certain what could be done.

**DVORYAK** Mr. Dvoryak stated that he had spent a fair amount of time in the last two or three years in northern New Jersey where state and local police can use radar. They do not have a speeding problem. He added that there should be a lobby at the state level to allow local police to have radar, which would be an effective tool.

**BOWMAN** Mr. Bowman echoed his comment. In southern Jersey a driver does not drive 26 miles per hour in a 25 mile per hour zone.

**HOLMAN** Mr. Holman noted that the technologies available are from the 50's and 60's, such as counting cars, checking speeds, Vascar and getting police cars out in the community. It's a lot of effort compared with using radar.

**BOWMAN** Mr. Bowman asked whether the state police could help with their radar.

**HOLMAN** Mr. Holman responded that the state police had helped in the past, and they could be requested to help with enforcement every so often. The best solution would be to get radar training and certification for the local police departments.

**DVORYAK** Mr. Dvoryak commented on the request for a street sign. He would be interested in receiving a report as to why there apparently had been a lack of communication to the neighborhood group, and the status of the street sign as well.

## **9. SOLICITOR'S REPORT**

**RAUSCH** Solicitor Rausch stated he had nothing to add to his written report.

**LANDIS** Ms. Landis questioned his report on the mobile sign matter. She noted that it had been sent back to the Planning Commission.

**RAUSCH** Solicitor Rausch responded that he needed additional clarification from the Planning Commission with regard to costumes and donations prior to bringing the amendment back to the board for approval.

## **10. MANAGER'S REPORT**

**HOLMAN** Mr. Holman stated that he and Mr. Luciani would be visiting a site in Sentry Woods to review a storm water problem. He will be providing a report to the board on what action may be needed.

**LANDIS** Ms. Landis commented on a letter from Sharon Tapp that had been included in their board packet. Ms. Tapp had shown interest in being a part of the Historic Preservation Committee. A note in the packet indicated that the Historic Preservation Committee was fully staffed at seven members. Ms. Landis noted that Ms. Tapp has a lot of knowledge to bring to the table and she wondered what the next step would be.

**HOLMAN** Mr. Holman responded that Ms. Tapp attended the last Historic Preservation Commission meeting. The Chairman then advised her they would welcome her on the board when there's a vacancy, and she understood that. She indicated that she was looking forward to attending the meetings and learning what the Committee does moving forward. When a vacancy occurs she hopes that she will be the next appointee to the board.

**LANDIS** Ms. Landis questioned what their bylaws state as to why the board was closed at seven members.

**HOLMAN** Mr. Holman responded that it had been created by ordinance as a seven-member board. It would be up to the Board of Supervisors to amend the ordinance.

**SCHENCK** Chairman Schenck stated that he would not be opposed to an amendment, but it should be reviewed by Luther Sowers and the Historic Preservation Committee. There should not be a problem with an even number on an advisory committee. Historically it is difficult getting people to volunteer for these committees, and it was great that Ms. Tapp came forward.

**LANDIS** Ms. Landis noted that probably not every one of them come to the meetings all the time, so it would be great if she had the opportunity.

**HOLMAN** Mr. Holman added that an option could be recommended for an Alternate, such as is done on the Zoning Hearing Board.

**Consensus of the board was to explore the opportunity with the Historic Preservation Committee as a first step.**

**RAUSCH** Solicitor Rausch noted that, following review, an amendment would need to be advertised at least seven days before adoption; however, no hearing would be needed.

**11. ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS**

There were none for action.

**12. OLD BUSINESS**

A. YorkCounts Public Safety Task Force Update

**DVORYAK** Mr. Dvoryak provided an update. He stated that an official letter will be provided thanking the township for its participation and encouraging that the report would be read and information investigated which contained a number of cost-saving benefits that the township could use.

**13. NEW BUSINESS**

A. Authorization to Transfer \$14,790 from the Capital Fund to the Sewer Fund (2013 Lease Payment for Farming the Walters Property).

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**MS. LANDIS MOVED TO APPROVE AUTHORIZATION TO TRANSFER \$14,790  
FROM THE CAPITAL FUND TO THE SEWER FUND WITH RESPECT TO THE 2013  
LEASE PAYMENT FOR FARMING THE WALTERS PROPERTY. MOTION  
UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.**

**14. ADJOURNMENT**

**SCHENCK** Chairman Schenck adjourned the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

John Holman  
Secretary

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