November 2, 2015

The Strasburg Township Board of Supervisors held their regular meeting on Monday, November 2, 2015, at 7:30 p.m. at the Strasburg Township Municipal Building, 400 Bunker Hill Road. Present were Peggy Dearolf, Michael Weaver and Thomas Willig; Administrator Mark Deimler; Treasurer Connie Kauffman.

Guests: John Rintz, John Coldiron, Donna Walker.

Public comment was invited. Rintz had questions and comments concerning the pending application of his neighbor Henry K. Stoltzfoos requesting a variance for a dog kennel. Deimler and the Board responded the Township has been doing all it can within the law and will review the application at their December 7th meeting prior to the Zoning Hearing Board's December 8th hearing. Coldiron introduced himself to the Supervisors as a building inspector for the Township. He has taken over Municipal Solutions from his father who has retired. Municipal Solutions is one of the designated inspection companies for the Unified Construction Code.

On a motion by Dearolf/Weaver, the Board unanimously voted to adopt the minutes of October 5, 2015 as submitted.

On a motion by Dearolf/Weaver, the Board unanimously voted to approve bill listings for payment: Payroll and taxes in the amount of \$10,022.31; General Fund checks #20597-50630 in the amount of \$138,695.52.

On a motion by Weaver/Dearolf, the Board unanimously voted to approve the Treasurer's report as submitted.

At approximately 7:50 p.m., a hearing was held for proposed Ordinance #95 amending Ordinance #93. The Department of Community and Economic Development required a text amendment changing the phrase "Guaranteed Revenue Note" to "Guaranteed Sewer Revenue Bond". At approximately 8:00 p.m., on a motion by Dearolf/Weaver, the Board voted unanimously to close the hearing and approve enacting Ordinance #95.

On a motion by Weaver/Dearolf, the Board voted unanimously to adopt Resolution 2015-7 authorizing reimbursement of the Township's General Fund for fees associated with the Refton sewer project with funds received from PENNVEST.

The Twin Elm Bridge issue was revisited. Deimler provided information on an alternative replacement system which will significantly reduce the original estimate of \$300,000.00. By utilizing Township labor, an aluminum culvert can be installed for approximately \$60-75,000.00. Low-volume road grant money may be available for the project, as well, reducing the cost even further.

On a motion by Weaver/Dearolf, the Board voted unanimously to accept a Certificate of Substantial Completion for the Little Beaver Bridge project contingent on receipt of an acceptable maintenance bond.

On a motion by Willig/Dearolf, the Board voted unanimously to approve the 2016 calendar of events for the Refton Community Fire Company Auxiliary, including any additional fundraising events which may be organized.

On a motion by Weaver/Willig, the Board voted unanimously to approve a reduction of Letter of Credit #500000578 in the amount of \$52,974.4 retaining \$9,652.50 for work uncompleted for the Emanuel Glick project at 10 Reservoir Road.

On a motion by Willig/Weaver, the Board voted unanimously to approve a request for a second driveway at 393 Shaub Road.

The Board accepted receipt of a 120 day extension for the 65 Prospect Road storm water management.

Deimler provided the Board with a sample fireworks ordinance. Schaefer Pyrotechnics wants to put on regular fireworks displays for the Historic Strasburg. The Board directed Deimler to ask the Township Solicitor's advice and will revisit the matter at a future meeting.

Deimler reported his findings on a replacement for the 2004 Ford F250 truck. The best price he could find utilizing the COSTARS program was \$32,500.00. The Board directed Deimler to move forward with the purchase as the 2004 is showing its age.

Deimler reported notice of the Paradise Lane railroad crossing reconstruction scheduled for Nov 9-13, 2015. Paradise Lane will be closed those days.

The proposed 2016 budget was reviewed and amended. The Treasurer will compile the new figures and present them to the Board for final review and adoption for public viewing at their December 7, 2015 meeting. The final budget will be formally adopted at a special meeting December 28, 2015 at 1:00 p.m.

On a motion by Dearolf/Weaver, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Township entering into a bulk customer agreement with the Strasburg Borough Authority.

The Zoning Officer reports four permits issued with receipts in the amount of \$800.10

The Sewage Enforcement Officer reports four inspections and one probe test performed and one permit issued with receipts in the amount of \$2,850.00

There being no further business before the Board, the Supervisors adjourned at 11:15 p.m.

Judith G. Willig
Township Secretary