

October 5, 2015

The Strasburg Township Board of Supervisors held their regular meeting on Monday, October 5, 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: Representative Keith Greiner, Wilmer Smoker, Donna Walker, Allen and Fran Gruver.

On a motion by Willig/Dearolf, the Board voted to adopt the minutes of 8/17/2015 as submitted. Weaver abstained. On a motion by Weaver/Dearolf, the Board voted to adopt the minutes of 9/8/2015 as submitted. Willig abstained. On a motion by Willig/Weaver, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the minutes of 9/14/2015 as submitted.

Public comment was invited. Willig welcomed Representative Greiner who gave a brief update on activity in Harrisburg. Weaver thanked Greiner for appearing.

On a motion by Dearolf/Weaver, the Board unanimously voted to approve bill listings for payment: Payroll and taxes in the amount of \$11,957.70; General Fund checks #20552-20595 in the amount of \$200,076.59

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

At approximately 7:45 p.m., a hearing was held for Ordinance #94 pertaining to sewer rates and charges for the Refton Waste Water Treatment Facility. The hearing was properly advertised. The Gruver's had questions about the fees outlined and wanted to know when they would be expected to pay them. The Board clarified some of the fees noted are for those property owners who connect after the initial construction begins. The expected time to pay the \$3500.00 connection fee will be between August and October. A nine month construction period is anticipated. Once the construction is completed, a notice to connect will be issued to all affected property owners who have 60 days to comply. On a motion by Willig/Weaver, the Board voted unanimously to close the hearing. On a motion by Dearolf/Willig, the Board voted unanimously to enact Ordinance #94 establishing rates, charges and regulations for the use of the Village of Refton Sewer System.

On a motion by Weaver/Willig, the Board voted unanimously to authorize the following actions pertaining to PENNVEST funding documents: the secretary execute and deliver the Secretary Omnibus Certificate; AND the Board each sign under paragraph 5 of the Funding Recipient Omnibus Certificate; AND the Board Chairman execute the Funding Recipient Omnibus Certificate; AND the Chairman and secretary execute the Funding Agreement between the Township

and the Pennsylvania Infrastructure Investment Authority (PENNVEST); AND the appropriate Township officials execute any other documents which are required to be submitted to PENNVEST to proceed with the settlement on the funding offer for the construction of a sanitary sewer collection, conveyance and treatment facility to provide public sewer to the Village of Refton, subject to review by the Township Solicitor.

The Twin Elm bridge project was discussed. Rettew Associates has prepared a bid packet with an estimated cost of \$330,000.00. Deimler believes it may come in somewhat lower. At this point, there is no construction alternative and a repair is not possible. As the cost is one the Township cannot incur at this time, the Board asked Deimler to wait until after the Village Road bridge reopens and perform a low-volume traffic study to ascertain if it will qualify for grant monies.

On a motion by Willig/Weaver, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Lancaster County Conservation District 2016 memorandum of understanding outlining agency responsibilities.

On a motion by Weaver/Dearolf, the Board voted unanimously to authorize the Chairman sign at a later date the Section 147(F) approval and written contract for the Refton Community Fire Company for a low interest loan to purchase their new truck. Greiner stated he had assisted the Fire Company by expediting some of their paperwork.

On a motion by Willig/Dearolf, the Board unanimously selected Highmark Balance PPO \$2000A and United Concordia F-Plan 3W as the health insurance providers and policies for the 2016 employee health coverage with the employees paying the full deductible. Fran Gruver stated there is no other business or agency of which she is aware where the employer pays 100% of the premium.

The 2004 Ford F250 is at the end of its usefulness with repairs and parts needed to prepare for the winter more than the vehicle is worth. Deimler was directed to negotiate a better price for a 2015 Ford.

The draft 2016 budget was reviewed and some minor preliminary adjustments were suggested. It will be revisited at the November 2, 2015 regular meeting.

#### Departmental Reports:

Deimler reviewed upcoming Zoning Hearing Board applications with the Board. The Board had no objection to any of the applications, but requested the 1960 Beaver Valley Pike application have conditions prohibiting any outside storage, particularly propane tanks.

The Zoning Officer reports fifteen permits issued with receipts in the amount of \$2,941.30

The Sewage Enforcement Officer reports two inspections and two probe tests performed and four permits issued with receipts in the amount of \$1,000.00

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

Judith G. Willig  
Township Secretary