

February 1, 2016

The Strasburg Township Board of Supervisors held their regular meeting on Monday, February 1, 2016, 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.

Guests: Wilmer Smoker, Donna Walker, Matthew Crème, Gerald McCracken, Mark and Devon Rudy.

Public comment was invited. Dearolf presented the Board with a plaque she accepted at the annual Refton Community Fire Company appreciation banquet on January 29<sup>th</sup> in consideration of the Township's contribution to the new brush truck.

On a motion by Dearolf/Weaver, the Board unanimously voted to adopt the minutes of January 4, 2016 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 \$14,784.57; General Fund checks #20785-20827 in the amount of \$43,863.52 ; Escrow Fund check #1006 in the amount of \$11,885.25.

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

McCracken spoke in appreciation of the Township road crews efforts during the recent snow emergency.

Crème appeared to give the Board information pertaining to the upcoming Zoning Hearing Board (ZHB) hearing for Abner F. King, 116D South Ronks Road and ask their opinion on the appeal to amend a prior ZHB decision. King has appeared numerous times over the last several years to remedy the access issue on the shared lane to his business located on his farm. In a decision dated November 7, 2014, the ZHB imposed a condition that King construct another access road and barricade the existing shared drive to restrict truck access on or before April 30, 2015. In a decision dated May 12, 2015, the ZHB extended the deadline to August 1, 2015. King acquired a 25 foot wide access easement from a neighboring farm, but discovered as the project moved forward additional easements would be required for storm water management. He was unable to acquire those additional easements as one of the properties is in preservation and cannot grant the easement. Therefore, King cannot construct the driveway as required. King has explored the possibility of moving his business to another location and has failed to find a suitable property. King is requesting relief from the penalty imposed for not meeting the deadline and further modification of

conditions imposed in order to continue operating his business. Deimler stated the Board can discuss their position later in the meeting.

At approximately 8:00, the Board opened sealed bids for the sale of various Township equipment. On a motion by Willig/Weaver, the Supervisors took the following actions: Rejected all bids for the Farmall tractor as under fair market value. The 2004 Ford F250 truck was awarded to Devon Rudy with a high bid of \$5,100.00. The roller was awarded to Allen Herr, Jr. with a high bid of \$3,130.00. The compressor was awarded to Jonas Esh with a high bid of \$5,600.00. The ZTR mower was awarded to Paul Myer with a high bid of \$450.00. The full listing of bids is included as an attachment to the minutes.

On a motion by Willig/Weaver, the Board voted unanimously to approve releasing the storm water management escrow for 2108 Edisonville Road.

On a motion by Weaver/Willig, the Board voted unanimously to grant waivers requested by Rocky Ridge Meats, 235 Hartman Bridge Road, and approve the storm water management plan on condition comments contained in Solanco Engineering's letter of January 25, 2016 are satisfied.

On a motion by Willig/Dearolf, the Board voted unanimously to approve the storm water management plan for Christian King, 984 White Oak Road.

On a motion by Willig/Weaver, the Board voted unanimously to approve waivers requested by Elam K. Stoltzfoos, 65 Prospect Road, and approve the storm water management plan on condition comments contained in Solanco Engineering's letter of January 14, 2016 are satisfied.

On a motion by Willig/Weaver, the Board voted unanimously to approve the holding tank agreement for Elm K. Stoltzfoos, 65 Prospect Road, and authorized the secretary to execute it upon receipt.

On a motion by Willig/Dearolf, the Board voted unanimously to grant the Hartman Bridge Village, 307 Hartman Bridge Road, water capacity request.

The Hartman Bridge Village sewage planning module was tabled due to unresolved issues.

On a motion by Willig/Weaver, the Board voted unanimously to adopt Resolution 2016-3 for the Isaac King, 363 Gap Road, Ronks, sewage planning module and authorized the secretary to execute the module.

On a motion by Weaver/Dearolf, the Board voted unanimously to approve submitting the low volume road grant application for Twin Elm Road.

On a motion by, Dearolf/Weaver, the Board voted unanimously to approve a quote in the amount of \$32,000.00 from Contech to replace the Twin Elm Road culvert.

On a motion by Dearolf/Willig, the Board voted unanimously to appoint Deimler as the Township representative in the civil suit filed against Melvin Fisher for a property located at 216 Lancaster Avenue.

Ordinance #97 pertaining to the Township's Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance was tabled pending further review.

On a motion by Willig/Dearolf, the Board voted unanimously to approve releasing Letter of Credit D006654 for 975 Miller Road in the amount of \$2,970.00.

On a motion by Dearolf/Weaver, the Board voted unanimously to approve entering into a contract with the Lancaster County SPCA to deal with stray dogs.

On a motion by Willig/Weaver, the Board voted unanimously to approve a quote in the amount of \$10,250.00 from Messick's for a new mower for the Township Park which utilizes the COSTARS program for favorable pricing.

After a lengthy discussion of all sides of the issue, the Board asked Deimler to draft a letter to the Zoning Hearing Board stating with respect to the relief of the previous conditions #2 and #3 of the Zoning Hearing Boards decision dated November 17, 2014, the Board of Supervisors have no objection to the zoning hearing board granting relief of the above stated conditions.

The Administrator reported: the Refton sewer construction is scheduled to start on February 8<sup>th</sup> along Beaver Valley Pike; three pumper's have registered for the on-lot management program; Larry Rinehart was sent another Notice of Violation on January 16<sup>th</sup> for the unlicensed vehicles on the property at Main Street, Refton.

The Zoning Officer reports thirteen (13) permits issued with receipts in the amount of \$2,464.22.

The Sewage Enforcement Officer reports no activity in January.

There being no further business before the Board, the Supervisors adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

Judith G. Willig  
Township Secretary