

**RYE TOWNSHIP
SUPERVISORS' MEETING
February 25, 2013**

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PRESENT: Chairman Robert Lightner, Vice-Chairman Ken Quigley, Supervisor Ron Cree, Daisy Lightner, Secretary/Treasurer, James Hawk, Zoning Officer, Pete Fitting, Jim Sabo, Linda Ekelman, Elwood H. Brubeck, Jr., Jana Bencoter of the Patriotic News, John Smith, Landis Leonard, Darrin Foster of Lou Harford Surveyors, and Luke Roman of the Duncannon Record.

The meeting was held at the municipal building and called to order at 7:00 PM. Chairman Lightner convened the meeting with the pledge of allegiance to the flag. The meeting was tape recorded to aid with the preparation of minutes. Linda Ekelman notified the Board that she would be audio and video recording the meeting. The audio recorder was placed on the front table.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION: Chairman Lightner welcomed everyone and asked if there was any citizen participation at this time.

Elwood Brubeck of Valley Road noted that a farm tractor was pulling a trailer on SR 850.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: Supervisor Quigley made a motion and Supervisor Cree seconded to approve the minutes of the January 28, 2013 supervisors' meeting as submitted. Motion carried unanimously.

PERSON TO BE HEARD: Darrin Foster of Lou Harford Surveyors approached the Board to request final approval of the Robert J. and Betty A. Hackmeister Final Subdivision Plan, which received conditional approval by the Planning Commission on January 8, 2013. The proposed subdivision along Dutch Cemetery Road is located partially in Rye Township and partially in Carroll Township. The Hackmeister Plan proposes the subdivision of a 37 acre parcel into two (2) residential lots: (1) one lot of 17.887 acres and (1) one Lot of 19.162 acres. An existing dwelling addressed as 3465 Dutch Cemetery Road is located on Lot #9. Perry County Planning Comments on Carroll Township's Ordinances were received. All filing fees were paid and a \$50 security deposit was received.

The Board of Supervisors reviewed the outstanding conditions as recommended by the Planning Commission.

Upon due consideration, Supervisor Quigley made a motion with a second from Supervisor Cree to approve the **Robert J. and Betty A. Hackmeister Final Subdivision Plan** conditional upon the following:

1. Correct a typo from "Foodplain" to "Floodplain" under the Zoning information
2. Revise the required minimum lot width for the Conservation Forest District from 200 feet to 500 feet.
3. Revise the required minimum lot width for the Agricultural District from 200 feet to 250 feet.
4. Revise the setbacks under the Floodplain Zoning information
5. Acquire sewage planning module approval from the Department of Environmental Protection
6. Acquire and notarize the signatures of the owners

And the approval of the following alterations of requirements to the Subdivision Land Development Ordinance:

1. Article 5; Section 501- Preliminary Plan Submission
2. Article 7, Section 709 – Stormwater Management Plan Submission
3. Article 7, Section 710 – Erosion and Sedimentation Pollution Plan Submission

Motion carried with all members voting in favor of approval of the Hackmeister Final Subdivision plan.

Darrin Foster thanked the Board and left the meeting at this time.

MONTHLY MUNICIPAL REPORTS: A February Zoning Report was submitted by Zoning Officer James Hawk, who reported that zero permits were issued in February. He handled two (2) complaints one involving a logging operation in a residential neighborhood and another for a 4 wheeler traveling on the public roadway and through a stream.

Chairman Lightner read the Sewage Enforcement Report submitted by Lenny Sizer of Madden Engineering listing one (1) activity: a final inspection for the Glenvale Church of God for a total due in fees of \$75.00.

The Road Report was provided by Road Foreman Brad Sloop and read by Road Superintendent Ken Quigley. Most of the work completed involved winter maintenance with snow plowing, repair of equipment, and chipping of brush. Supervisor Quigley noted that he directed the road crew to take photographs of a possible detour route when Pine Hill Road is closed to replace the existing bridge.

Kassie Quigley reported that the Recreation Board planned the following upcoming events:

- ◆ Easter Egg Hunt - March 23rd @ 11:00 AM; Rain date of March 24th at 1:00 PM
- ◆ Fishing Derby May 18th, 9:00 AM at the Sportsmen's Association

The Board provided Kassie information on a program discussed later in the meeting called. "Young Lungs at Play."

No Emergency Management report was presented. Assistant EMC Pete Fitting received an updated copy of the Township's EOP.

The January Treasurer's Report was submitted for review by the Secretary/Treasurer & with no discussion or questions was accepted as read pending the independent auditors' approval. The Secretary/Treasurer noted the independent auditors will be here tomorrow February 26, 2013 to conduct the financial audit for the year ending December 31, 2012.

The Secretary/Treasurer read portions of the 2012 Annual Tax Collector's Audit Report submitted by the elected auditors. There were no findings reported and impeccable record keeping by Mr. Humbert was noted. The one page report was placed on the front table for public review.

LEGAL BUSINESS: Solicitor Wagner was not available due to an unexpected, urgent family situation requiring his attention. Chairman Lightner made a motion with a second from Supervisor Quigley to table all of the items under "Legal Business" until the next meeting when the Solicitor is present. Motion carried unanimously.

ORDINANCE: Proof of publication is on file for the proposed Rye Township Junkyard Ordinance. Upon due consideration and the recommendation of the Planning Commission, Supervisor Cree made a motion with a second from Supervisor Quigley to adopt **Ordinance 13-01** known as the "**Rye Township Junkyard Ordinance**". Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTIONS: Supervisor Cree made a motion and Supervisor Quigley seconded to approve **Resolution 13-08**, which authorized the Secretary/Treasurer to transfer a matured Certificate of Deposit designated for the tar buggy to the General Savings Money Market account at the Bank of Landisburg designated for road equipment. A tar buggy was already purchased last year. Motion carried unanimously.

Supervisor Cree made a motion with a second from Supervisor Quigley to adopt **Resolution 13-09** to authorize the establishment of automatic bill payment for the monthly PP & L Electric service. Motion carried unanimously. The Secretary/Treasurer noted that a paper bill will still be received showing the amount due and the usage etc.

OLD BUSINESS: Discussion ensued regarding participation and the amount estimated for purchase with the **Costars Piggyback Bulk salt contract**. Supervisor Quigley made a motion for Rye Township to participate in the **bulk salt contract from August 2013 to July 2014 for 24 tons**. Supervisor Cree seconded. Motion carried unanimously. The Township would then be obligated to purchase 60% of the contract. The Secretary/Treasurer will submit the participation agreement electronically prior to the March 15th deadline.

NEW BUSINESS: Supervisor Cree made a motion with a second from Supervisor Quigley to appoint **Linda Kutz** of Rye Township to the Marysville/Rye Library Board. Motion carried unanimously.

Supervisor Quigley received information on a program called “**Young Lungs at Play**” at a recent Capital Region Council of Governments meeting. The program is an outreach of the College of Agricultural Sciences and the Pennsylvania Department of Health. The purpose of the program is to provide tobacco-free parks and prevent children’s exposure to secondhand smoke in public parks and playgrounds. Chairman Lightner offered that the Recreation Board previously discussed this program, but no action was taken to participate. Chairman Lightner also explained that the Township leases the New Valley Road park property from the Rye Township Community Association. Therefore the RTCA should be notified prior to posting of any signs. Kassie Quigley, chair of the Recreation Board was provided the information for discussion at the next Recreation Board meeting.

Supervisor Quigley made a motion with a second from Supervisor Cree to authorize the Secretary/Treasurer to send out **RFPs for the bulk Spring Clean-up** not to include electronics to be held on Friday, May 3 and Saturday, May 4th, 2013 for review and acceptance at the March 25, 2013 supervisors’ meeting. Electronics will be handled separately by a certified electronic recycler. Motion carried unanimously.

Upon due consideration, Supervisor Cree made a motion with a second from Supervisor Quigley to approve a simple contract for mowing of **New Valley Road Park** with Kurt Matter of Rye Township at the cost of \$120.00 per mowing; with the maximum of 14 mowings. Motion carried unanimously.

Upon due consideration, Supervisor Quigley made a motion with a second from Supervisor Cree to approve a simple contract for mowing of **Oak Grove Cemetery** with Ken Snyder of Rye Township at the cost of \$120.00 per mowing; \$110 for debris and limb removal with the maximum of 11 mowings. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Lightner announced the following:

- ◆ Easter Egg Hunt – to be held at the Township Park on Saturday, March 23rd @ 11:00 AM; Rain date of Sunday, March 24th at 1:00 PM

- ◆ The Township will be closed for Good Friday on March 29, 2013 with no change in trash collection.

APPROVAL AND PAYMENT OF THE BILLS: The Secretary/treasurer provided a February 2013 expense check register and submitted the following checks for approval and payment: General Fund Check's #s 13845-13875 in the amount of \$28,097.45. No checks void.

Payroll checks #s 6383-6391 in the amount of \$4,337.08. No payroll checks void.

Payroll checks #s 6392-6397 in the amount of \$4,062.39. No payroll checks void.

With no further discussion on the bills presented, Supervisor Quigley made a motion and Supervisor Cree seconded to approve all the checks for payment except for check number 13850 issued to Daisy Lightner for mileage. Motion carried unanimously.

Supervisor Quigley made a motion with a second from Supervisor Cree to pay check # 13850 issued to Daisy Lightner for mileage reimbursement. Motion carried with Chairman Lightner abstaining from the vote because Daisy is his spouse.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION: Elwood Brubeck of Valley Road thanked Supervisor Quigley for providing contact information relating to the State R-O-W and the placement of a pole by United Water Pennsylvania. Brubeck reported that the R-O-W for this segment of SR 850 is 25'6" and the pole is located within the Township's right of way.

Linda Ekelman of Weaver Drive asked for further details on an expense check for Eckert Seamans and for clarification on a trailer installation on Evergreen Drive.

Landis Leonard of Cove Hill Road expressed concern about a vehicle traveling at high rates of speed on Cove Hill Road usually in the early evening hours. The Board offered to contact the Newport State Police with this concern. However, Mr. Leonard was also informed that he as a citizen can contact the State Police.

ADJOURNMENT OF THE MEETING: There being no further discussion or business before the Board, Supervisor Cree made a motion and Supervisor Quigley seconded to adjourn the meeting at 7:31 pm. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Daisy Lightner, Secretary/Treasurer