

FEBRUARY 18, 2010 SUPERVISORS' MEETING:

The Mount Joy Township Board of Supervisors met this date, as publicly advertised, at 7:00 p.m. in the meeting room of the Mount Joy Township Municipal Building, 902 Hoffman Home Road, Gettysburg, PA 17325 with Board Chairman Robert Rhodes presiding. Others in attendance were: Vice-Chairman John Gormont; Supervisors David Updyke, Gilbert Clark, Michael Gearhart; Solicitor Susan J. Smith; and Secretary/Treasurer Victoria Behnke.

The meeting was recorded.

Board Chairman Robert Rhodes led everyone with the Pledge to the Flag.

Minutes

Mr. Gormont moved, seconded by Mr. Clark, to approve the minutes of the January 21, 2010 meeting as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman's Statement

Mr. Rhodes stated that he is relinquishing his position of Chairman effective immediately, due to health reasons. Mr. Updyke moved, seconded by Mr. Clark, to nominate John Gormont as Chairman. Motion carried unanimously. Mr. Gormont then presided over the meeting.

Mr. Clark moved, seconded by Mr. Gearhart, to nominate David Updyke as Vice-Chairman. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Gormont recognized Mike Livelsberger, Kevin Gebhart, Ronald Reed, Carl Strine and Harold Beebe for their snow removal efforts.

Solicitor's Report

Solicitor Smith offered legal review for the Act 32 Adams County Tax Collection Committee Bylaws, Gettysburg Village Outlets/Legends transportation impact fees, Meadow Brook Golf Course zoning, proposed recreation plan and recreation impact fees, employee manual and benefits, Planning Commission compensation, and records and data management. She also provided legal review for Right-To-Know Resolution #13, Land Use Permit for 120 Hickory Road, Lake Heritage seawall repairs, and Former Supervisor Dayhoff compensation. She recommended that the Board take the following actions: develop a public comment policy, provide a procedure to coordinate Adams County building permits with Mt. Joy Township land use permits. Mr. Rhodes moved, seconded by Mr. Updyke, to accept the Solicitor's Report as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Comment

1. Carol Holtz wanted a clarification of the Meadow Brook zoning.
2. Eileen Holmes approved of the new solicitor and the seating arrangement of the Board, and she also approved of the snow removal effort.

Announcements

There will be a meeting of the Adams County Tax Collection Committee on March 4, 2010 which will be attended by Mr. Gormont.

Treasurer

Mr. Rhodes moved, seconded by Mr. Updyke, to approve the Treasurer's report for the month of January as presented. Motion carried unanimously. Mr. Rhodes moved, seconded by Mr. Clark, to approve the bills to be paid as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Subdivision/Land Development

Fairview Farms Plan Revision – The sketch plan and Letter of Intent was accepted by the Planning Commission on February 17, 2010. One change in the existing plan would be to dedicate Lori Lane to the Township. The Board of Supervisors need to seek legal counsel before accepting the dedication of the road. The next step is for the owner to submit a preliminary plan to the Planning Commission.

Road Report

Mr. Updyke moved, seconded by Mr. Clark, to approve the Road Report as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Zoning Report

Mr. Clark moved, seconded by Mr. Rhodes, to accept the Zoning Officer's Report as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Correspondence

1. Tammy Kunkel from Adams County – Potential Snow Cost Removal Reimbursement from PA Emergency Management Agency.
2. PA Department of Auditor General Reports:
 - a. Liquid Fuels Tax Fund for two years ended December 31, 2008
 - b. Barlow Volunteer Firefighter's Relief Association period January 1, 2006 to December 31, 2007
 - c. Alpha No. 1 Volunteer Firefighter's Relief Association period January 1, 2006 to December 31, 2008
3. Kingsdale Volunteer Fire Company November 17, 2009, December 7, 2009, and January 4, 2010 minutes.
4. Adams County Council of Governments January 28, 2010 minutes.
5. White Run Regional Municipal Authority December 16, 2009 Regular and January 20, 2010 Re-organizational meeting minutes.
6. American Water Environmental Grant Program in 2010 for watershed protection initiatives.

Committee Reports

Personnel: Mr. Clark moved, seconded by Mr. Updyke, to adopt the revised Mount Joy Township Personnel Policy and Benefits Manual, dated February 18, 2010. Motion carried unanimously.

Finance: No report.

Planning, Land Use & Zoning: No report.

Building & Grounds: No report.

Roads: Will be having a “lessons learned” meeting with the Road Master and road crew to improve snow removal procedures.

Public Safety: No report.

Council of Governments: John Gormont and Gil Clark will be attending the meeting this month.

Historical Committee: There was no meeting this month due to a lack of quorum.

Mr. Updyke moved, seconded by Mr. Gearhart, to appoint Linda Bjornsen, replacing Barbara Steele who resigned, term expiring December 31, 2011. Motion carried unanimously. Mr. Updyke moved, seconded by Mr. Rhodes, to appoint Sally Alexander, replacing Jim Witt who resigned, term expiring December 31, 2012. Motion carried unanimously. Mr. Updyke moved, seconded by Mr. Rhodes, to appoint Barbara Combs, replacing Emily Shoey who resigned, term expiring December 31, 2010. Motion carried unanimously.

Ag Security Advisory Committee: No report.

Strategic Planning: No report.

Agricultural Land Preservation Board

There are still two positions open and the township is looking for applicants. If anyone is interested they should call the office.

Recreation Board

Mr. Updyke moved, seconded by Mr. Mr. Rhodes, to approve the Recreation Board report as presented. Motion carried unanimously. Mr. Updyke moved, seconded by Mr. Clark, to appoint Elizabeth Ibex to the vacancy left by Mr. Mowery, term expiring December 31, 2010. Motion carried unanimously.

Other Business

1. Mr. Updyke moved, seconded by Mr. Clark, to reaffirm the appointment of Terry Scholle as Township Auditor, replacing Harold Kirschner, term expiring January 1, 2014. Motion carried unanimously.
2. The Board needs to do a candidate search for an Assistant Township Solicitor. Ms. Smith stated that she has other attorneys in her firm that could handle matters in her absence.
3. Right To Know Request Report – Secretary Behnke provided the requests for records made between January 21, 2010 and February 12, 2010.

New Business

Public Comment Policy – the Board will study other township’s policies.

Delinquent Per Capita Taxes - Mr. Updyke moved, seconded by Mr. Clark, to authorize the Secretary to send the collectable per capita tax list for 2009 to JP Harris, Associates, delinquent tax collection agency. Motion carried unanimously.

2009 Sewage Enforcement Reimbursement - Mr. Clark moved, seconded by Mr. Updyke, to authorize Mr. Gormont to sign the 2009 application for reimbursement of enforcing PA Sewage Facilities Act & Onlot Sewage Disposal Program Annual Report. Motion carried unanimously.

New Supervisor's Training - Mr. Rhodes moved, seconded by Mr. Gormont, to send Mr. Clark and Mr. Gearhart to the New Supervisor's Training program on March 6 and 13, 2010. Motion carried unanimously.

PSATS Conference – Mr. Updyke moved, seconded by Mr. Rhodes, to approve Mike Gearhart to attend the PSATS conference for two days in April. Motion carried unanimously. Mr. Rhodes moved, seconded by Mr. Clark, to approve David Updyke to attend the PSATS conference for one day in April. Motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment

With no further business to come before the Board, Mr. Rhodes moved, seconded by Mr. Clark, to adjourn the meeting this date at 7:45 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Victoria Behnke
Secretary/Treasurer