

## Board of Supervisors

### MINUTES

May 13, 2014

**Supervisors Present:** Rob Zisko, Dave Long and Karen Bedics

**Also present:** Chief Michael McDonald, Michael Brown (Township Manager) and Jason Wager (Secretary/Treasurer)

Chairperson Zisko called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. Mr. Zisko announced the Board held an executive session on May 6 to discuss personnel.

### Approval of Minutes

Ms. Bedics **moved** to approve the April 22, 2014 minutes as edited for typos. Mr. Long **seconded**; the motion **passed** unanimously.

### Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items

There was no public comment on non-agenda items.

### Governmental Matters

- 1) **Appointments to the Park and Recreation Board** – Mr. Long **moved** to adopt ***Resolution 2014-10*** appointing Sue Ziegler and Doug Litzenberger with terms to expire December 31, 2018, Frank Hollenbach and Bill Ryker with terms to expire December 31, 2017 and Megan Fox with a term to expire December 31, 2016 and that Ms. Ziegler be appointed temporary Chairperson of the Park and Recreation Board until such time the Park and Recreation can officially meet for organization and business. Ms. Bedics **seconded**; the motion **passed** unanimously.
- 2) **Pension Committee Reorganization** – Ms. Bedics **moved** to adopt ***Resolution 2014-07*** amending the Non-Uniformed Employee Pension Plan by revising the composition of the pension committee and closing the defined benefit plan to employees hired after March 1, 2014. Mr. Long **seconded**; the motion **passed** unanimously.  
  
Ms. Bedics **moved** to adopt ***Resolution 2014-08*** amending the Police Pension Plan by revising the composition of the pension committee. Mr. Long **seconded**; the motion **passed** unanimously.
- 3) **Holding public meetings at Zion Hill** – The Board discussed holding future public Board meetings at Zion Hill. The consensus of the Board was to hold two meetings a year at Zion Hill. The Township Manager was directed to find appropriate meeting dates.
- 4) **Organizing volunteers for roadside clean up** – Ms. Bedics discussed organizing road cleanup utilizing community service persons. Ms. Bedics stated she is willing to offer her time during at least one Saturday a month to supervise. PennDOT can provide consumable supplies and there is no anticipated financial impact to the Township.
- 5) **Fiscal Year 2014 Budget Performance** – Mr. Brown discussed the current revenue performance for 2014 and possible options the Board could consider making up a projected revenue shortfall for 2014. The consensus of the

Board was it would not utilize employee furloughs to close the gap, but would engage in a combination of expense cutting and revenue drawn from the Reserve Fund. The Board will revisit this topic at its June 24<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**Bruce Whitesell**, 2011 Route 212, stated he is a realtor and would be willing to provide the available homes for sale data to help the Township project Real Estate Transfer revenue.

**Debby Yerger**, 1412 Peppermint Road, asked if the Township was still collecting fines for permits that have not been applied for by residents.

**Frank Hollenbach**, 600 Rocky Valley Road, asked if it was possible to perform a regression analysis using ambient temperature and snowfall to project the impact on the Township's revenue and expenses.

**Bill Ryker**, 812 Ebert Road, suggested the Board discuss with Dr. O'Connell, Palisades Superintendent, about the school district's ability to add real estate value when she comes to a Board meeting.

**Adam Maziuk**, UBREMS Director, thanked the Board for working with UBREMS and the Fire Company and asked that the Fire Company and UBREMS be notified as soon as possible if the Board intended to reduce planned financial support contemplated in the original 2014 budget. The consensus of the Board was it would meet the original support targets.

**6) Township Vision and Mission statements** – The Board tabled this discussion for a future meeting.

#### **Planning Matters**

Mr. Long **moved** to send Ordinance 170, the SALDO amendment to require mandatory dedication of recreation land to the Bucks County and Township Planning Commissions for review and authorize advertisement for an adoption hearing at the June 24<sup>th</sup> regular meeting. Ms. Bedics **seconded**; the motion **passed** unanimously.

Mr. Long **moved** to authorize advertisement of Ordinance 171, Zoning amendment for lighting, and Ordinance 172, SALDO amendment for lighting, for adoption at the June 24<sup>th</sup> regular meeting. Ms. Bedics **seconded**; the motion **passed** unanimously.

#### **Old Business**

**Township Long Range Agenda and Work Scope** – The Board tabled this discussion for a future meeting.

#### **New Business**

There was no new business to discuss.

#### **Correspondence**

Mr. Brown reviewed all correspondence including the Center for Rural PA Newsletter, BCPC proposal to update the Comprehensive Plan, DEP notification of reportable release at 506 Springfield Street and DCNR request for data for South Newark Basin.

#### **Public Comment**

**Bruce Whitesell**, 2011 Route 212, stated it was the best Board meeting he has been to in a long time.

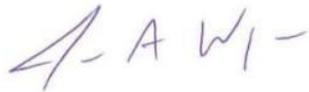
## Supervisor Comments

There were no Supervisor comments.

## Adjournment

At 8:25 p.m., Ms. Bedics moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Long seconded and the meeting was declared adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in purple ink that reads "A A Wager".

Jason A. Wager  
Township Secretary/Treasurer

Next meeting: May 27, 2014  
Approved: June 10, 2014