

Board of Supervisors**MINUTES**

June 10, 2014

Supervisors Present: Rob Zisko, Dave Long, Volker Oakey, John Oehler and Karen Bedics**Also present:** Terry Clemons, Esq. (Township Solicitor), Michael Brown (Township Manager) and Jason Wager (Secretary/Treasurer)

Chairperson Zisko called the meeting to order at 7:34 p.m. and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Minutes

Ms. Bedics moved to approve the May 13, 2014 minutes as presented. Mr. Long seconded; the motion passed 3-0 with Mr. Oakey & Mr. Oehler abstaining since they were not present at that meeting. Mr. Oehler moved to approve the May 27, 2014 minutes as presented. Ms. Bedics seconded; the motion passed 4-0 with Mr. Zisko abstaining since he was not present at that meeting. Mr. Oehler moved to approve the June 5, 2014 minutes as presented. Mr. Long seconded; the motion passed 4-0 with Ms. Bedics abstaining since she was not present at that meeting.

Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items

There was no public comment on non-agenda items.

Governmental Matters

Tax Collection – Mr. Brown recapped the Board had heard proposals from Keystone Collections, HB Berkheimer and James Mooney, Township resident, to collect taxes at a June 5th special meeting. He read the proposed resolution to the public.

Debby Yerger, 1412 Peppermint Road, stated she would like to keep the position with a local resident, not a third party vendor.

Carol Gessler, 2394 Township Road, asked where Keystone Collections is located and said she likes having a local person to work with.

Jim Mooney, 1561 Highpoint Road, said he doesn't feel Keystone Collections or Berkheimer are easy to deal with and that a resident would have more of a vested interest in doing the job well.

Mr. Oehler moved to adopt **Resolution 2014-12** as edited for typos appointing Deborah Godshall as Tax Collector to fill the unexpired term of Irene Elinich after June 30, 2014 and ending on December 31, 2015. The resolution also accepts Springfield Township's appointment as a Deputy Tax Collector, and accepts the proposal of Keystone Collections Group for tax collection services, and authorizes the Township Solicitor and Township Manager to revise and execute a contract with Keystone Collections Group on behalf of the Township as Deputy Tax Collector. Mr. Oakey seconded and the motion passed 4-1 with Ms. Bedics opposing.

Planning Matters

Zoning Amendment for Alternative Energy Sources – The Board discussed Ordinance 173 and decided to table this ordinance for a future meeting to allow Township Planning Commission representatives explain Section 7 (revising Section 509—noise standards) of the proposed ordinance.

Old Business

Budget Reconciliation – The Board discussed the Budget reconciliation presented by Mr. Brown. The consensus of the Board was to defer bridge maintenance on the Springfield Street Bridge as an expense cut and to consider other expense cuts later in the year if the budget situation warranted it.

Township Vision & Mission Statement – The Board decided to reach out to all of the Township Committees, Commissions and Boards for suggestions for the Township vision and mission statement and for Mr. Brown to lead in gathering this information.

New Business

There was no new business to discuss.

Correspondence

Mr. Brown reviewed all correspondence including the BCBC letter stating the Bucks County Industrial Development Authority replacing the Bucks County Economic Development Corporation and a violation notice on Springtown Knoll Development from BCCD. Mr. Brown told Ms. Bedics she would have four volunteers for roadside cleanup the Saturday following this meeting.

Public Comment

Steve Doncevic, 1821 Pleasant View Road, questioned whether the noise level from shooting was affected by the proposed changes in Section 509. The Board deferred response until it could hear from the Planning Commission.

Supervisor Comments

Mr. Zisko noted the Planning Commission meeting for July 2 is cancelled.

Mr. Oehler noted the Park & Recreation Board held their first meeting and they showed a lot of energy and he thinks they will be able to accomplish a lot.

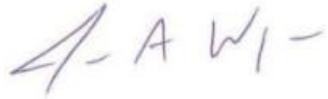
Mr. Oakey stated he expects to have a group of three including himself for the pension committee.

Ms. Bedics said she would be attending Senator Mensch's meeting about road conditions in the area tomorrow night and ask about funding for third parties to do state road maintenance.

Adjournment

At 8:37 p.m., Mr. Oehler moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Long seconded and the meeting was declared adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,



Jason A. Wager
Township Secretary/Treasurer

Next meeting: June 24, 2014
Approved: June 24, 2014