

Minutes of the September 10, 2002 Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Chairman Waybright. Present were all Supervisors, Ron Horton, Carol Merryman, Mike Galassi, Leo Goulden, Rich Eckert and reporters from THE GETTYSBURG TIMES and THE EVENING SUN. The meeting was tape recorded.

Mr. Gregor pointed out that the Minutes of the August 27, 2002 meeting had an error on page three. The Minutes stated that Mr. Bucovetsky will be bringing the Zoning Map down sometime in July. Mr. Bucovetsky will be bringing the map down sometime in October, not July. **Mr. Gregor made a motion to approve the Minutes with that correction, seconded by Mr. Weikert and carried.**

Chief Sease presented a written and oral report of police activities for the month of August including: 185 complaints, 61 citations and 16 incidents. He also presented traffic data from Herr's Ridge Road from Route 34 to Mummasburg Road from August 6, 2002 through August 13, 2002. The posted speed limit is 35 m.p.h. and 95.14% of the 8,027 vehicles counted were speeding. The average speed was 42 to 52 m.p.h. and the daily average number of vehicles was 867.9. He reported that there is not too much difference in the last counts that were taken. They will be counting Boyds School Road next.

At 7:45 p.m. Chairman Waybright adjourned the meeting for an Executive Session to discuss a personnel issue.

The meeting was reconvened at 8:22 p.m.

The pay adjustments for the Road Crew remained on the table.

Mr. Weikert made a motion, seconded by Mr. Gregor and carried to approve the MMO's for the Police and Non-Uniformed Pension Plans for the 2003 Budget. The MMO for the Non-Uniformed Plan totaled \$24,829.32 and the MMO for the Police Plan totaled \$16,771.07. The Township does receive State Aid for the majority of this obligation. Mr. Weikert confirmed, for the record, that no one is presently collecting from the Police Pension Fund and there are two retirees currently collecting from the Non-Uniformed. The Board also requested quotes for two possible changes to the Non-Uniformed Plan that will be considered later in the year.

Mr. Horton presented a bill from J.A. Myers Building and Development, Inc. for grading and seeding of the drainage area adjacent to lot 20 in the Twin Lakes West Development. He reported that the curb line on the new street is considerably higher than the existing lots, creating a grading problem. The developer was only obligated to restore 3 to 4 feet beyond the curb which would have created sort of a pitcher's mound. There was a meeting on-site and the developer agreed to pay half of the cost to fix the problem and the Township agreed to pay half. **Mr. Weikert made a motion to approve payment of the bill, in the amount of \$426.38, for the grading in Twin Lakes West, seconded by Mr. Gregor and carried.**

Mr. Horton recommended that submission of a grading plan be made a mandatory part of the application for a building permit. This would alleviate problems such as the one just encountered in Twin Lakes West. Mr. Bowling stated that this has been an ongoing problem and he feels that it should be looked at, especially in subdivisions. The Board asked Mr. Horton to pursue this issue. Mr. Horton suggested that a note could be required to be placed on subdivision plans stating that a grading plan would be required for building permits in the subdivision.

Mr. Horton explained that Adams County has taken the lead for a group of 15 to 20 municipalities to solicit bids for refuse collection. The goal is to get better prices because of the large group of customers that the contractors will be bidding for. Each municipality would sign their own contractor with the low bidder, if they

choose to do so, it would not be required. The group wants to advertise for bids in mid to late September and open bids in October. That would still give the Township time to do something on their own, if necessary. Mr. Horton recommended that Cumberland participate in the bidding process and requested the Board's approval to do that. **Mr. Weikert made a motion to approve the request and participate in the multi municipal bids for refuse collection, seconded by Mr. Shealer and carried.**

Mr. Horton reported that there is a check in the bills tonight for Dr. Shah for \$400.00. This is for the portion of his maintenance bond that was held for the debris to be cleaned up out of the right-of-way of Palace Drive in Gettysburg View. The debris was cleaned up by the building contractor doing the construction of the homes in the development and that is the reason the money is being refunded to Dr. Shah. The remainder of the money, that was held, will be used by the Township to correct the other two issues with the repair of the shoulders and the repair to the pavement. **Mr. Weikert made a motion to approve the refund to Dr. Shah, seconded by Mr. Shealer and carried.** Mr. Shealer also mentioned that the street light, at the intersection of Palace Drive and Biglerville Road is in place.

Mr. Gregor made a motion, seconded by Mr. Shealer and carried to exonerate J.P. Harris for two per capita taxes in the amount of \$11.00.

The Manager/Engineer's Report was reviewed. Mr. Bowling asked for an update on the water that was running across the properties West of the Township Building. Mr. Horton reported that the problem was a water service leak to one of the mobile homes and it has been corrected. Mr. Bowling also asked if the Green Manor Turf Farm was allowed to water the turf from their pond. Mr. Horton stated that they are allowed to irrigate, but they must use conservative methods. The person who expressed the concern stated that they were watering during the heat of the day, which would not be the best practice. Mr. Horton stated that a letter was sent to the owner, but since we have had some rain, nothing else has been done. Mr. Horton also pointed out that the Supervisors have a copy of a draft ordinance which amends the SALDO. Mr. Horton stated that he has spent a considerable amount of time on the draft and he requested that the Board approve sending it on to the County and Township Planning Commissions and to Attorney Heiser for their respective reviews. **Mr. Gregor made a motion to approve sending the draft ordinance on for review, seconded by Mr. Shealer and carried. Mr. Bowling abstained.**

The Zoning Officer's Report was reviewed. Mr. Horton reported that Mr. Bower wanted him to make the Supervisors aware that he had given a resident the wrong side yard setback requirement for a mobile home that was being placed on their property for storage. The mobile home will have to be moved and the owner wants compensation from the Township for this because he was given the wrong information.

The Assistant Secretary's Report was reviewed. Mrs. Merryman pointed out that David Steinour, who served as Auditor, is moving to Straban Township and the Board will have to appoint a replacement by the end of the year. Mrs. Merryman stated that the Auditors set the pay of the working Supervisors and meet only once a year. Mr. Mike Galassi stated that he would be willing to serve.

Mr. Bowling reported that he has received some complaints about the brush at the intersection of Route 116 and Blackhorse Tavern and Blackhorse Tavern and Pumping Station Roads. He requested that the brush be cut back to improve the sight distance at the intersections. Mr. Bowling also stated that he noticed that the motor paving has been started and that he never has liked this way of paving. He stated that there are ruts and loose stones all over the roads, especially on the curves. Mr. Shealer stated that someone has been damaging all of the roads and the Police Department has some leads and they hope to catch the person who is doing it. Mr. Weikert asked Mr. Bowling to keep an eye on the STOP signs at the intersection near his house because they are also being damaged.

Mr. Shealer suggested that the balance of Chapel Road be seal coated, depending on finances.
Mr. Gregor noted that it is time to start the budget process and he requested that Mrs. Merryman get the appropriate paperwork to the department heads.

There will be a Park, Recreation and Open Space Committee Meeting held on Thursday, September 26, 2002 at 7:15 p.m.

The bills were paid. Expenditures for this meeting totaled \$15,796.50 from the General Fund.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:23 p.m. by motion of Mr. Gregor, seconded by Mr. Shealer and carried.

Carol A. Merryman, Asst. Secretary

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