

Minutes of the December 28, 2004 Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 p.m. by Chairman Waybright. Present were Supervisors Weikert and Bowling, Flo McLeish, Carol Merryman, Tim Knoebel, Mike Galassi, Scott Milhimes, Steve Roth, Jon Holmes, Dan Wise, Will Rogers, two residents from Windbriar Lane and reporters from THE GETTYSBURG TIMES and EVENING SUN. Mr. Shealer and Mr. Gregor were absent. The meeting was tape recorded.

Mr. Bowling made a motion, seconded by Mr. Weikert and carried to approve the Minutes of the December 14 Meeting.

Chairman Waybright reported that the township received a request from **Masonry Homes to release the bond being held for the Camelot Square** subdivision on Herr's Ridge Road. He added that the township's engineer has inspected the work that was bonded and he recommends that \$47,179.00 be released, leaving a total of \$9,020.00 to be held for the work that remains to be done. **Mr. Weikert made a motion to approve the bond reduction, in the amount of \$47,179.00, seconded by Mr. Bowling and carried.**

Chairman Waybright reported that the next item is to consider whether the Supervisors wish to hold a public hearing on a Zoning Map change requested by Mr. Sharrah, on behalf of property owners doing several land swaps adjacent to the Gettysburg Airport. **Mr. Weikert made a motion to schedule the public hearing for Tuesday, February 8, 2005 at 6:30 p.m., seconded by Mr. Bowling and carried.**

Mr. Scott Milhimes requested a thirty-day extension for approval of his Land Development Plan to give his engineer time to make the final revisions. **Mr. Bowling made a motion, seconded by Mr. Weikert and carried to approve the thirty-day extension for Scott Milhimes' Land Development Plan.** Plan approval will now be needed by January 30, 2005.

Mr. Weikert made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bowling and carried to adopt Resolution 04-13 as follows:

2005 Tax Resolutions

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Per Capita Resolution of 1953 be re-enacted for 2005 without change. The tax rate is \$5.00. 2% at discount, 5% at par and 10% at penalty.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Admission Tax Ordinance of 1978, amended, continue without change in 2005. The rate is 10% (Township receives 5% and Gettysburg Area School District receives 5%).

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Tax Millage for 2005 be set at 0.17 mills for Real Estate. No change for 2005.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Earned Income Tax Resolution of 1978 be re-enacted for 2005 without change. The tax rate is 1.7% (Township receives .5% and Gettysburg Area School District receives 1.2%).

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Realty Transfer Tax Resolution of 1995 be re-enacted for 2005 without change. The tax rate is 1% (Township receives .5% and Gettysburg Area School District receives .5%).

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Occupation Privilege Tax Ordinance of 2002 be re-enacted for 2005 without change. The tax rate is \$10.00 (Township receives \$5.00 and Gettysburg Area School District receives \$5.00).

Ms. McLeish reported that Cohen Telecommunications Law Group is in the process of negotiating the Cable

TV Franchise Agreement with Adelphia and will not be finished before the township's agreement expires on December 31, 2004. She added that Mr. Cohen has prepared an Extension Agreement for an additional six months until June 30, 2005. **Mr. Weikert made a motion to approve the Cable Franchise Extension Agreement, seconded by Mr. Bowling and carried.**

Chairman Waybright reported that the township has received a request from Thomas Publications for a hearing to be held within sixty days to show "due cause" why his building should be demolished. Ms. McLeish stated that the hearing must be advertised and a stenographer must be present for the hearing. She added that since the township sent him a letter regarding his building, Mr. Thomas is entitled to due process. **Mr. Weikert made a motion to schedule the public hearing for Mr. Thomas for Tuesday, January 25, 2005 at 6:45 p.m., seconded by Mr. Bowling and carried.**

Chairman Waybright reported that the township has received correspondence from **Stambaugh Ness** with two quotes for **preparing the 2004 Audit**. The first quote of \$5,300.00 would include auditing of the financial statements and preparation of the DCED report including GASB 34 requirements. The second quote of \$4,965.00 would include an audit of the DCED report and note disclosures. Ms. McLeish stated that we will eventually be required to be GASB 34 compliant and we will have to start moving towards that. She added that we did not have these quotes at budget time, so the amount budgeted is closer to the lower amount. **Mr. Weikert made a motion to approve the quote to audit the DCED report with note disclosures, in the amount of \$4,965.00, seconded by Mr. Bowling and carried.** Ms. McLeish reported that she will get new bids for this service next year prior to budget time.

Mr. Weikert made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bowling and carried to exonerate J. P. Harris for a per capita tax in the amount of \$5.50.

Ms. McLeish reported that she will be attending a meeting with Mr. Heiser, Mr. Bill Hill and Mr. Todd Williams to discuss the lift station at Patriot's Choice and she will have a report on that meeting. She also requested the Board's approval to advertise for members for the Act 209 Committee. She added that seven people are needed and a developer/realtor needs to be included on the committee. The Board approved an advertisement to go in the paper to see if there is anyone interested in serving on this committee.

Mrs. Merryman reported that she made a \$100.00 mathematical error on the 2004 MMO for the Police Pension Plan which resulted in the township owing an additional \$13.00 to that plan. She added that Mr. Bob Hall, Pension Administrator, asked Principal to take the \$13.00 from the Non-Uniformed contribution, which was more than was required to be deposited. The second revision was needed for the 2005 MMO for the Non-Uniformed Pension Plan due to a change in the amortization requirement for 2005. The worksheet had shown a requirement of \$2,577.00, but \$3,232.00 was required. **Mr. Weikert made a motion to approved the revised 2004 MMO for the Police Pension Plan, in the amount of \$14,802.00 and the revised 2005 MMO for the Non-Uniformed Pension Plan, in the amount of \$23,501.04.**

Mr. Knoebel reported that they have a draft Stormwater Management Ordinance prepared and they will schedule a meeting with Ms. McLeish to go over the details. He also reported that there was a meeting held today at Patriot's Choice regarding the placement of fill for the road beds and the use of lime to stabilize the fill and he will follow up with a letter. He added that this is an industry accepted practice, but not specifically approved by PennDOT. He added that they will require engineering certifications from the developer that need to have details regarding field measurements and the amount of lime that was put in based on those measurements.

Chairman Waybright reported that the Reorganization Meeting is Monday, January 3, 2005 at 7:30 p.m.

The bills were paid. Expenditures for this meeting totaled \$51,779.29 from the General Fund.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:55 p.m. by motion of Mr. Bowling, seconded by Mr. Weikert and carried.

Carol A. Merryman, Asst. Secretary

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