

Minutes of South Beaver Township Regular Meeting

January 3, 2012

The regular January meeting of the South Beaver Township Board of Supervisors held in the South Beaver Municipal Building on State Route 168 was called to order by Chairman Matthew Balik at 7:30 P.M. The Pledge of Allegiance to the flag followed.

Officials present: Matthew Balik, Daniel Rastatter, Clair Young, Carol Miller, David Gropp, Dan McLean, Ron Sano

Matt Balik made a motion to approve the minutes of the last meeting. Dan Rastatter noticed a second to the motion to adopt the 2012 budget was omitted in the minutes. Dan Rastatter had seconded that motion. The correction will be made. Dan Rastatter then seconded the motion to approve the minutes. Motion carried.

Matt Balik made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report and pay the following bills: General Fund, Check #9623 - #9640, Total \$12,458.42; Payroll Fund, Check #7667 - #7299, Total \$19,957.97. Dan Rastatter seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Dan McLean gave the Police Report for December and totals for the year. They will be filed. He stated everything is up and running good. He introduced Ron Sano, our new constable in the township.

There was no Road or Fire Reports.

Matt Balik stated he had talked to Attorney John Smith about the agreement he wanted the township to sign to review our proposed zoning draft. Mr. Smith stated he had no intention of charging the township. He agreed to review the proposed draft regarding gas and oil well exploration for free. Attorney Smith was planning to hold off until the state legislators made their decisions on the pending bills. Matt Balik is planning to draft a letter to be sent to Attorney Smith requesting he review and send comments on our proposed zoning ordinance.

Copies of letters sent to State Representative Jim Marshall and State Senator Elder Vogel on Marcellus/Utica Shale "Oil and Gas Legislation" were given to the supervisors. A representative from Mr. Vogel's office responded and sent a copy of a Local Ordinance Summary. The State Legislators have not passed anything on oil and gas drilling yet.

The Douglas Knueven Lot Consolidation Plan located on McBride Road was reviewed. The Supervisors gave preliminary approval providing the building lines are shown on all sides of the property and the Non-Building Waiver Clause is removed from the plan.

A letter was received from Groundwater and Environmental Services of Cranberry Township informing us they found methane gas in our water tests that were taken from fire station #1 and the township building. Campbell's Lab of New Brighton came out to retest the water. They didn't find anything at the township building and only a small quantity at fire station #1. The Supervisors will monitor these water supplies and test every year for methane gas.

A letter was received from K&L Gates confirming that they agree to a thirty day extension on the North Beaver Pipeline Land Development Plan. A decision will have to be rendered by the end of February.

Supervisors were informed that Vernon and Kurt Kerry have filed a civil law suit against the township. Our Zoning Solicitor George Patterson will reply.

Matt Balik was appointed the COG representative to attend COG meetings. Clair Young was appointed alternate and Dan Rastatter second alternate.

Matt Balik made a motion to reappoint Daniel C. Baker Associates, Inc. for township Engineering Services in 2012 with Craig Baker as the representative to coordinate any engineering assignments authorized by the township. Dan Rastatter seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Matt Balik made a motion to reappoint Daniel C. Baker Associates, Inc. for township Sewage Enforcement Officer Services in 2012. Dan Rastatter seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Matt Balik made a motion to pass Resolution No. 1-2012 waiving contributions to the Police Pension Fund since the Actuarial Study showed it will remain sound. Dan Rastatter seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Matt Balik made a motion to pass Resolution No 2-2012 naming the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors as the Chief Executive Officer of the Pension Funds giving authority to sign and execute documents and the secretary authority to certify the signature. Dan Rastatter seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Matt Balik made a motion to pass Resolution No. 3-2012 appointing Mark C. Turnley, Certified Public Accountant, to perform the annual audit of township records for 2011 or otherwise may be required to be audited prior to the end of 2012. Dan Rastatter seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The Jon McCarter Freshwater Impoundment and Waterline Land Development Plan for Chesapeake Appalachia, LLC was given to the supervisors for review. It was also submitted to Craig Baker, the Beaver County Planning Commission and the South Beaver Planning Commission for their review.

The Gary Orr Planning Module was reviewed. The property is located on McClain Road. Mr. Orr is planning to build a second house on his property. There are already two homes using the same driveway. The Supervisors gave preliminary approval providing Craig Baker approves the Planning Module.

No action was taken on a letter from the Upper Beaver Valley Veteran's Service Center requesting support for the veterans office.

Up-coming Seminars were reviewed.

New Signature Cards were signed for township accounts since Clair Young came onto the Board of Supervisors.

Matt Balik made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Dan Rastatter seconded the motion. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 9:55 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Miller, Township Secretary