

Minutes of the South Beaver Township Regular Meeting

September 13, 2011

The regular September meeting of the South Beaver Township Board of Supervisors held in the South Beaver Municipal Building on State Route 168 was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Chairman Matthew Balik. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

Officials present: Matthew Balik, Robert Long, Daniel Rastatter, Carol Miller, David Gropp, Craig Baker, Dan McLean

Others Present: Clair Young, Stanley Straight, Mr. and Mrs. James Nagel, Warren Caltabiano, Andy Leech, Richard Barger, William Kaneski, and a number of township residents.

Bob Long made a motion to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Dan Rastatter seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Bob Long made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report and pay the following bills: General Fund, Check #9455 - #9501, Total \$38,312.36; Payroll Fund, Check #7130 - #7174, Total \$37,669.67; State Fund, Check #1901 - 1902, Total \$36,587.43. Dan Rastatter seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Dan McLean gave the Police Report and it will be filed. He stated the first week of school he rode around the township watching traffic and the school buses.

Bob Long stated the Road Department has been zipping on some roads. He stated Chippewa Township had asked if South Beaver would want to go in with them to purchase a tractor with a boom mower. The cost is \$40,000.00 which would be \$20,000.00 each. Chippewa Township would prepare an ad for the newspaper. An agreement would have to be drawn up for both to sign. Insurance also would have to be worked out for the machine. Dan Rastatter stated a joint effort is better in the long run. Matt Balik made a motion to join with Chippewa on the purchase of a tractor with a boom mower. Dan Rastatter seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Carol Miller read the Fire Report and it will be filed.

Richard Barger had information on drilling activities along with some ordinances from other municipalities which he would like the township to review and consider when making changes to our present zoning ordinance. Carol will distribute copies to the Planning Commission. The supervisors will also review the information.

The supervisors gave authorization for the secretary to renew Special Permit #5-2010 until December 9, 2011 for Chesapeake Appalachia to continue hauling activities on a portion of Moore Road and Lime Kiln Road as long as a Road Maintenance Agreement between Chesapeake and Amerikohl Mining is received.

Matt Balik made a motion to appoint James B. Harvey Jr. as an alternate sewage enforcement officer for South Beaver Township. Dan Rastatter seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The Supervisors approved the 2012 Minimum Municipal Obligation (MMO) Worksheets for the Pension Plans. The Police Pension Fund is \$20,155 and the Nonuniform Pension Fund is \$13,076.

A letter was received from the South Beaver Fracking Awareness Group requesting a copy of our draft ordinance as it relates to gas drilling in the township. They would like to have it reviewed by Attorney John Smith of Canonsburg and Carolyn Knapp and Carol French from the Pennsylvania Land Owners Gas Awareness and Solutions Group. There would be no charge. The Planning Commission has not finished with their recommendations on changes and additions to the Zoning Ordinance. A public hearing will also be held on the draft ordinance.

Notices have been received from Boord, Benchek and Associates, Inc. of Canonsburg informing the township that applications are being submitted for Chesapeake to the PA Department of Environmental Protection for the following:

Well Pad Permitting on the Nancy Trautvetter property on Hodgson Road

Freshwater Impoundment Permitting for the Rolling Acres Site which will be located off Old Blackhawk Road

Notices have also been received from John Angiulli of Chesapeake that they have applied for permits for the Lorenz Freshwater Impoundment and Tharp Waterline and also are amending their permit to include a public water supply for the Rolling Acres Site.

A petition was turned in with six signatures requesting the supervisors pass ordinances to guarantee the quality and quantity of our water and clean air in South Beaver Township.

A letter was received from John Simon of Golden Triangle Construction informing us that they were beginning the State Route 51 and 168 reconstruction project on September 12, 2011 and it probably wouldn't be completed until March 2nd, 2012.

A notice was received on the Annual Educational Conference of the Beaver County Association of Township Officials to be held on October 28th at the B&B Banquet Hall.

A thank you card was received from the Raymond Lansberry family.

A letter was received from the Pennsylvania Committee for Employer Support of the National Guard and Reserves. The Board of Supervisors is in support and appreciate their dedicated service. The Pennsylvania Committee will register the township statement of support (SOS).

A letter was received from Representative Jason Altmire asking parent volunteers who work with youth sports organizations to practice good data security practices. Personal information is being collected and stored in unsecured locations. Identity theft involving children and young adults is on the rise.

Various seminars are being held on Chainsaw Safety, Pipeline Safety, Road Salt Brime Equipment Demonstration, Winter Maintenance Course, and a Flagger Certification Course as required by PennDot for road crews to be announced.

Matt Balik made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Bob Long seconded the motion. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 8:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Miller, Township Secretary