

Minutes of South Beaver Township Regular Meeting

December 9, 2013

The regular December meeting of the South Beaver Township Board of Supervisors held in the South Beaver Fire Hall located on State Route 168 was called to order at 7:01 P.M. by Chairman Matthew Balik. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

Officials present: Matthew Balik, Clair Young, Daniel Rastatter, Craig Baker, George Patterson, Dan McLean, Kurt Magness, Ashley Carr.

Others present: Robert Wood, Dan Sall, Dan Headay

A motion was made by Matt Balik to approve the minutes of the regular November meeting. Clair Young seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Matt Balik made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report and pay the following bills: General Fund, Check No. #10673-#10724, Total 72,042.96; Payroll Fund, Check #8038 - #8066, Total \$20,463.07. Clair Young seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Dan McLean read the police report. It will be filed. When Interstate installed the radio in the new police car, the installer drilled into a sensor and connector. Interstates insurance company reimbursed the township for the repairs. Dan asked the Supervisors if he could pursue looking into an off-site back up plan for the police department and secretaries computer. Dan is unaware of the exact cost, but believes it is based on data. The supervisors agree that it would be something worth looking into. Dan said he will look into cost and come back with more information next month.

There was no fire report.

Kurt Magness gave the Road Report. The road department has been busy with snow removal, some signs were put up and they have been doing a lot of work at the shop. Kurt is noticing some pot holes and once we have a nicer day he would like to take care of them. Kurt talked about the damage on Georgetown and Louthan Road by Dominion Transmission that has the roads bonded. Kurt explained that there are some scrapes on the roads due to low boy trucks bellying out on the hills. Kurt will come up with a cost estimate to repair the damaged areas for Dominion. MarkWest wants to bond Georgetown and Louthan roads, which wont be a problem as long as any damage is noted in the pre-inspection.

Dan Sall of Widmer Engineering was present from Christ Presbyterian Church to discuss the Land Development Plans. The church received the comments from the township engineers review and had a few items they would like clarified. The church currently has a lite sign, but would like to replace it with a new lite sign in a new location closer to Bradshaw's Mobile Home park, but in the ordinance it states that lite signs are not allowed in residential districts. Matt says that the old sign was grandfathered in and the ordinance would need to be followed for the new sign or they could apply for a variance. He also wanted to know hwy it is necessary for the conservation district to review the plans, at a cost of \$250 for the church. Craig Baker says that according to the ordinance it is required for the plans to be stamped and approved, but since there is less than one acre of disturbance no permit is necessary. Dan Sall asked for clarification on the parking requirements in the zoning ordinance, Craig Baker clarified and also offered additional help if there were more questions after the calculations were made. Any relief of this item would have to be brought to the Zoning Hearing Board. Dan Sall asked for some relief on the ordinance that Storm Water calculations of peak flow rates consider the site to be in a heavily forested site as opposed to how the site actually is. Matt Balik made a motion to grant a modification to use the existing conditions for calculating stormwater runoff as oppose to the conditions in the ordinance. Dan Rastatter seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Dan Sall asked if the steeple height would be calculated with the building height. Craig would need to look at the Zoning Ordinance, but states that sometimes there are exceptions. Dan Sall asked for an application for an extension of time, he would like for this project to be given more time, so that the board is not forced to deny the plans.

Matt Balik made a motion to pass Resolution No. 12 of 2013 providing for supplemental appropriations in the 2014 budget. The \$56,575.85 Impact Fee Revenues are being appropriated to Road Maintenance and Road Drainage Work for 2014. Dan Rastatter seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Matt Balik made a motion to pass Resolution No. 13 of 2013 adopt the 2014 budget as prepared. Real Estate Taxes will remain at 12.5 mills, \$5.00 Per Capita Tax, .5% Wage Taxes, .5% Real Estate Transfer Taxes, Street Lighting .40 per frontage foot, and Water District 0.02% of Assessed Value. Dan Rastatter seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Matt Balik made a motion to suspend the Nepotism Policy for the year of 2014. Dan Rastatter seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Matt Balik made a motion to pass No.14 of 2013 establishing an assessment for the cost and expense of the placing, replacing, operating, maintaining and repairing certain fire hydrants in the township. Dan Rastatter seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The Supervisors were given a letter from the courthouse for the sale of property from the repository of unsold property. George Patterson explains that the property has gone through all of the stages of sheriff's sale and can be bought from the county repository. The tax claim wants permission of the purchase from the community and school district. Money may be owed that will be lost, but it will be back on the tax roll. Matt Balik made a motion to approve that Connie Paulovich may purchase property at 1304 Blackhawk Road from the repository of unsold property and that Ashley Carr can sign the consent forms. Clair Young seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Matt Balik made a motion to reappoint Daniel C. Baker Associates, Inc. as the consulting engineering firm for 2014. Dan Rastatter seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Matt Balik made a motion to reappoint Daniel C. Baker Associates, Inc. for Sewage Enforcement Services for 2014. Dan Rastatter seconded the motion. Motion carried.

No action was taken on a letter received from the Upper Beaver Valley Service Center requesting a donation.

The Pennsylvania State Association of township Supervisors News Bulletin for October was distributed to the Board.

The October Recreation Board Treasurer's Report was distributed to the Board.

Matt Balik made a motion to reappoint Jim Perenovich to the South Beaver Township Planning Commission Board. Dan Rastatter seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Dan Rastatter expressed his thanks and appreciation to Matt Balik for his many years of service to the township.

Matt Balik made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Clair Young seconded the motion. Motion carried. Matt adjourned the meeting at 8:25 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Ashley N. Carr, Secretary