

Minutes of South Beaver Township Regular Meeting

August 10, 2010

The regular August meeting of the South Beaver Township Board of Supervisors held in the 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, Dan Rastatter, Carol Miller, David L. Gropp, Craig Baker, Dan McLean

Others present: Mr. and Mrs. James Nagel, Warren Caltabiano, Clair Young, Keith Girting

Bob Long made a motion to approve the minutes of the last 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 #8913 - #8955, Total \$24,302.58; Payroll Fund, Check #6697 - #6723; State Fund, Check #1877 - #1879. Matt Balik seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The Police Report was given by Dan McLean and will be filed. Dan reported the group that held the gun bash at the park last year is holding one at Wally World on Saturday, August 14th. A large crowd is expected. Dan will have extra police out that evening. Also, Dan brought up that Jim Marshall is holding a meeting on Marcellus Shale Gas and Oil Leasing. He wasn't sure of the date.

Bob Long reported the Road Department has been using the zipper machine. It has been working out well. They also did some tarring and chipping. The catch basin on Joe Hall Road that the state installed has rusted out. Since it is on a township road, the township is responsible for repairing it. New grates have been ordered.

There was no Fire Report.

Mr. and Mrs. Nagel were present to get an update on their neighborhood. David Gropp stated the DEP was out on the Nahar property. He didn't know if a Small Flow Treatment Septic System would be issued for a house or for a nursing home. Also, it has to be determined if the stream on their property is a perennial stream. Barbara Nagel stated back in 2008 the DEP determined it was not a perennial stream. Mrs. Nahar has stated they are family members that stay there. Matt Balik made a motion to move forward with the civil penalties. Dan Rastatter seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Matt Balik made a motion to accept a bid of \$56.20 per ton for 200 ton road salt from the North American Salt Company, Kansas per the Beaver County Regional Council of Governments advertising Total Contract \$11,240.00. Dan Rastatter seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Matt Balik made a motion to accept a bid of \$10.25 per ton for 500 ton 3-A Anti-Skid from McClymonds Supply and Transit Co., Inc., Portersville, PA.; and 500 ton Cinders at \$10.37 per ton from McClymonds. Dan Rastatter seconded the motion. Motion carried. Total Contract is \$10,310.00.

Contracts were reviewed for having a contracted garbage collector for South Beaver Township. Matt Balik stated the township should go forward with having a franchise to one hauler. Dan Rastatter is in agreement. Dave Gropp was authorized to proceed.

Craig Baker stated he has been working on a proposal for record keeping of road work being done on the township roads but didn't have it ready to present. It should be done for the next meeting.

Matt Balik made a motion to pass Resolution No. 4 of 2010 opposing forced local government mergers and consolidations. Dan Rastatter seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The Viola Schmidt Subdivision Plan located on Sterling Road was reviewed. Preliminary approval was given by the supervisors. The report from the Beaver County Planning Commission has not been received. Both parcels have a dwelling and the septic systems must be checked for any malfunctions. After these items are addressed, the plan can be signed.

The property behind the township park owned by Vernon and Kurt Kerry was discussed. Mr. Kerry has had contractors in to move dirt and lay cement. He has not contacted the township with plans of what he is doing. There is a rifle range that was grand fathered in on the property. He would need to submit a land development plan for review before any construction is done. The Conservation District had gone out and sent him a letter to cease all activities on this property until he obtains the proper permits. Our Solicitor David Gropp has also sent out letters to Mr. Kerry and the contractors to cease all activities until permits are obtained. Since he has not complied, the supervisors authorized Mr. Gropp to file citations against him.

An application was submitted by Mitcheltree Brothers requesting a Special Permit for overweight hauling of logs on State Line Road. It is about .5 mile from Blackhawk Road. Where the driveway goes in to the property is a bad location and this site has not been approved. The supervisors stated that Mitcheltree Brothers would have to comply with PennDOT standards for traffic control on the road and have flaggers on the road when they are coming off the property and on to the road. The county verified the bridge could be used. There is no weight limit on it.

A report was received on the Swamp Poodle Bridge inspection. There is no immediate repairs to be done. The report was turned over to the Road Department.

The South Beaver Township Planning Commission is recommending weight limits be posted on all township roads before heavy loads on trucks and equipment are brought in for drilling gas and oil wells in the township. Residents are being contacted about signing leases on their properties. Craig Baker stated they have to bore down through the surface on the roads and write a report on each road. He estimated it would probably cost about \$500.00 per road. The township would have to rent a core boring machine.

A letter was received from the Beaver County Planning Commission concerning a course being offered in Community Planning. It will be held at the Beaver County Community College on three consecutive Thursdays. September 16, 23, and 30th. Dan Rastatter will be our representative.

Matt Balik made a motion to have Gary Gailey use the LTAP regulations on site distance when issuing driveway permits. Dan Rastatter seconded the motion. Motion carried.

A letter was received from EMC Insurance Companies on the recent inspection done for insurance purposes. There were no recommendations at this time.

A letter was received from First National Insurance Agency on the renewal of the Professional Liability Policy. The Supervisors authorized the secretary to complete the application and submit it back to First National Insurance.

A letter was received from Robert Scheib of the PA Department of Environmental Protection on the renewal of the township MS4 Permit. Requests must be received on the Department's Form by September 9, 2010.

No action was taken on a letter received from the Township of Upper St Clair to join the Leadership Circle.

The South Beaver Township Recreation Board Minutes were distributed to the supervisors.

The July News Bulletin was distributed to the supervisors.

A letter was received from the PA Public Employee Retirement Commission on the 2010 distress determination for South Beaver's Pension Plan. The score was 0. Also, a Post-employment Benefits Questionnaire was completed and signed by Matt Balik showing no other post-employment benefits have been granted in South Beaver Township.

No action was taken on changing the electric generation provider for South Beaver Township.

The Pennsylvania State Association of Township Supervisors Legal Defense Report was distributed to the supervisors.

Since Carol has been having problems with her fax machine in sending faxes, the supervisors approved getting the Fax Card and the Print and Scan Enabler for the copy machine.

Matt reported that Bid Specs will be advertised for the new county wide wage tax collection system.

Matt Balik made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Dan Rastatter seconded the motion. Motion carried. Matt adjourned the meeting at 9:40 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Miller, Township Secretary