

January 10, 2012  
Scotland, PA 17254  
Regular Meeting

The Greene Township Board of Supervisors met in regular session Tuesday, January 10, 2012, at the Township Municipal Building, 1145 Garver Lane, Scotland, PA, following five (5) Public Hearings.

Present:

Charles D. Jamison, Jr.  
Todd E. Burns  
Travis L. Brookens

Gregory Lambert  
Daniel Bachman  
Diann Weller  
Welton Fischer

Visitors: See list

The Chairman called the Regular Meeting to order at approximately 7:22 P.M..

The Minutes of the December 27, 2011 Public Hearing regarding Supervisors Compensation increase (due to Census) for those taking office after effective date of Ordinance shall stand approved as presented.

The Minutes of the December 27, 2011 Regular Meeting shall stand approved as presented.

The Minutes of the Annual Re-organization Meeting held January 3, 2012 shall stand approved as presented.

The Township Engineer, Mr. Gregory Lambert, explained the Township has received a grant to be the local lead to upgrade the traffic signals at Rts. 11 and 997 which are badly needed. It will include upgrades to traffic signals and lane configurations and as part of that lead; the Township needs to enact a reimbursement agreement with the first part to authorize the Chairman to sign that reimbursement agreement. He stated PennDOT is providing a draft agreement and several changes have been requested by the Township and PennDOT is reviewing those requested changes. He stated the second part is the Township having an engineering agreement with TPD (Traffic Planning Design) and upon signing the reimbursement agreement, the engineering agreement can be signed. Supervisor Burns asked Mr. Lambert if PennDOT is on board with the current developments and Mr. Lambert stated the agreement first went through the local office and from the liaison it went to Central Office and many comments came out of Central Office and now it is in a form that can be executed by the Township upon receipt of the reimbursement agreement. Following review and consideration, on a motion by Todd E. Burns, seconded by Travis L. Brookens, and by a vote of 3-0, the Board unanimously voted the Chairman be authorized to sign the PennDOT Reimbursement Agreement as the local lead also the engineering agreement for S.R. 0011 and S.R. 0997 Intersection Upgrade.

The Township Engineer explained the Township has been advised they will be receiving funds for the traffic signals at Walker Road at the ramps and the Township needs to hire an engineering firm to prepare bids to construct those signals. He emphasized this will only be authorizing to advertise to solicit bids; the Township cannot do anything until PennDOT has completed the reimbursement agreement as discussed in the prior item on this

Agenda. The Engineer requested the Board to set a date for the proposals to be received and then he will return to the Board with those proposals for further consideration and action. Supervisor Burns asked if it would be the same process as Rts 11-997 and Mr. Lambert stated 'no' that the engineering is all through the Township and do not have to go through Central Office; strictly between the Township and the qualified engineering firm. Supervisor Burns asked if the data could still be used and Mr. Lambert stated 'yes', the warrant study has been completed and will be listed in the advertisement. Following review and consideration, on a motion by Travis L. Brookens, seconded by Todd E. Burns, by a vote of 3-0, and as amended, the Board unanimously voted to authorize the Township Engineer to solicit for engineering proposals for Exit 17 (Walker Road) traffic signals and said proposals must be returned within thirty (30) days from date of advertisement.

The Zoning Officer presented Township **Resolution No. 5-2012** from Vince Elbel, Township S.E.O., for Brownsville Church of God, corner of New Lane and Route 30 for sewer extension/tap-ins; one (1) institutional lot; propose construction of church as well as five (5) single family lots and one (1) commercial; property part of Gail Miller estate; consists of 7 edu's/400 gallons each; also extension of new sewer, 150 feet in length by Greene Township Municipal Authority. Following review and consideration, on a motion by Todd E. Burns, seconded by Travis L. Brookens, and by a vote of 3-0, the Board unanimously voted that Township **Resolution No. 5-2012** from Vince Elbel, S.E.O., for Brownsville Church of God, New Lane, for sewer extension/tap-ins be approved.

The Township Engineer presented a request for refund of escrow from Second State Enterprises in the amount of \$1,358.50; Project #11-015 (Doron Drive). He stated the plan received final approval in December 2011; propose construction of three (3) garden apartment units on Doron Drive off Black Gap Road; plan is complete; engineering fees, etc have all been calculated and invoices been provided. The original escrow received was \$1,900 with \$541.50 expended, remainder of \$1,358.50 and the Engineer stated there are still some inspections regarding stormwater and would recommend retaining \$500 of the remaining \$1,358.50 and refund a total \$858.50 at this time. Following review and consideration, on a motion by Todd E. Burns, seconded by Travis L. Brookens, and by a vote of 3-0, the Board unanimously voted the request for refund of escrow from Second State Enterprises, Project #11-015 (Doron Drive) be granted a refund of \$858.50 and the Township retain \$500 for inspection of stormwater facilities from the original refund request of \$1,358.50.

The Chairman noted correspondence received from the Fire Chief of Fayetteville Volunteer Fire Department requesting that Ronald F. Cordell be approved as a Special Fire Police. The Chairman stated that Mr. Cordell lives on Woodstock Road and also currently serves as Chaplain for the Fire Department. Following review and consideration, on a motion by Travis L. Brookens, Todd E. Burns, and by a vote of 3-0, the Board unanimously voted the request from the Fire Chief of Fayetteville Volunteer Fire Department requesting to add Ronald F. Cordell to the Special Fire Police Roster be granted.

The Board received and reviewed the Fayetteville Volunteer Fire Department Fire Police Monthly (December 2011) and Year-to-Date (2011) Reports and it was consensus of the Board the Reports be approved and accepted as submitted.

The Zoning Officer presented and reviewed the Monthly Zoning Office Report (December 2011) noting the three (3) Conditional Use Permit requests received; two (2) presented and heard earlier this evening and the one (1) remaining (Lauffer) is scheduled for January 24, 2012 prior to the Regular Meeting. He further noted the very low monthly fees received. It was consensus of the Board to approve the Monthly Report as presented.

The Township Engineer presented a request for bond reduction received for Grand Point Crossing; specifically, on Cornwall Road whereby the bituminous wearing course has been placed on the roadway. He stated the current bond being held by the Township is in the amount of \$2,014,059.30 be reduced by \$80,542 and that \$1,933,517.30 continues to be retained by the Township to ensure the completion of the required work. There being no further comments or questions from the Board regarding this request and following their review and consideration, on a motion by Todd E. Burns, seconded by Travis L. Brookens, and by a vote of 3-0, the Board unanimously voted the request for bond reduction for Grand Point Crossing be granted a reduction of \$80,542 with the Township retaining a total of \$1,933,517.30.

The Zoning Officer presented and reviewed the 2011 Annual Zoning Office Report noting the totals of Land Use Permits and that in 2010 there were many applications received due to proposed changes; namely, the requirement of sprinkler systems in residential construction which did not occur. He further noted the decrease of single family dwellings, construction value, and total zoning fees. Supervisor Burns commented the area is seeing this decrease due to the economy. The Zoning Officer noted that sewer was not available and that even though permits were issued, there was no construction begun. There were no further comments, additions, or corrections; therefore, the 2011 Annual Zoning Office Report shall stand approved as presented.

The Zoning Officer presented a request from Del Hawbaker of Thomasville Properties for replacement of the current \$17,600 cash bond for Dollar General Store that was previously posted and then the Township received a performance bond and the cash bond be returned. Following review and consideration, on a motion by Travis L. Brookens, seconded by Todd E. Burns, and by a vote of 3-0, the Board unanimously voted the request from Del Hawbaker of Thomasville Properties to refund the \$17,600 cash bond for the performance bond the Township has received for Dollar General Store. The Township Engineer noted the pre-construction meeting for Dollar General is scheduled for the following day.

The Zoning Officer presented a request from Martin & Martin, Inc. on behalf of their client, PPL Renewable Energy, LLC, for review time extension of ninety (90) days; current deadline is January 11, 2012. He stated this is the first extension request for this plan; currently waiting for DEP approval for a holding tank. Following review and consideration, on a motion by Todd E. Burns, seconded by Travis L. Brookens, and by a vote of 3-0, the Board unanimously voted the request for review time extension for PPL Renewal Energy, LLC be granted an additional ninety (90) days, commencing from January 11, 2012 forward.

The Zoning Officer presented the William D. Mills 1-lot Final Subdivision Plan for re-approval for recording purposes. He stated Mr. Mills had brought the original packet to the Township, was reviewed by the ZO and it was consistent with the original plan approval. Following review and consideration, on a motion by Travis L. Brookens, seconded by Todd E. Burns, and by a vote of 3-0, the Board unanimously voted the William D. Mills 1-lot Final Subdivision Plan request for re-approval for recording purposes be granted.

The Board discussed and considered employee pay and benefits for 2012 noting that pay increase was allotted in the 2012 budget; further noting that Social Security has increased this year by approximately 3.6%. Following review and consideration, on a motion by Todd E. Burns, seconded by Travis L. Brookens, and by a vote of 3-0, the Board unanimously voted that employees' pay will increase 3.5% across the Board and all benefits will remain the same as in 2011.

The Township Solicitor offered no further comments at this Meeting.

On a motion by Travis L. Brookens, seconded by Todd E. Burns, and by a vote of 3-0, the Board unanimously voted to authorize the payment of invoices as follows: Check Numbers 17271 through 17298, inclusive, to be paid from the General Fund; and, Check Numbers 2021 through 2023, inclusive, to be paid from the Liquid Fuels Fund.

There being no further business before the Board for this Regular Meeting, the Chairman adjourned it at approximately 7:54 P.M..

Respectfully submitted,

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Secretary