

November 12, 2014
Scotland, PA 17254
Regular Meeting

The Greene Township Board of Supervisors met in regular session Wednesday, November 12, 2014 at the Township Municipal Building, 1145 Garver Lane, Scotland, PA.

Present:

Todd E. Burns

Travis L. Brookens

Shawn M. Corwell

Gregory Lambert

Daniel Bachman

Diann Weller

Welton J. Fischer

Visitors: None

The Chairman called the Regular Meeting to order at approximately 7:00 P. M..

The Minutes of the Regular Meeting held October 28, 2014 shall stand approved as presented and become part of the official record.

There were no visitors in attendance at this Meeting.

The Board reviewed a proposed new fee scheduled for 2015 as submitted by Vince Elbel, Township Sewage Enforcement Officer (S.E.O.). Following review, on a motion by Shawn M. Corwell, seconded by Travis L. Brookens, and by a vote of 3-0, the Board unanimously voted to adopt Township **Resolution No. 17-2014** regarding the fee schedule for year 2015 submitted by Vince Elbel, Township Sewage Enforcement Officer (S.E.O.).

Supervisor Corwell presented two (2) *Special Fire Police Assistance Agreements* for the Board's consideration; namely, (1) Fannett Township, Greene Township, and Fayetteville Volunteer Fire Department; and, (2) Metal Township, Greene Township, and Fayetteville Volunteer Fire Department. Supervisor Corwell stated that with the shortage of fire police in the County, there have been occasions where one or another of the affected fire companies have assisted and it was discovered there were no *Agreements* in effect and these will be the same as those already in effect and that basically it is for workman's compensation coverage. Following review, on a motion by Travis L. Brookens, seconded by Shawn M. Corwell, and by a vote of 3-0, the Board unanimously voted to approve the *Special Fire Police Assistance Agreements* among Fannett Township, Greene Township, and Fayetteville Volunteer Fire Department; and, Metal Township, Greene Township, and Fayetteville Volunteer Fire Department, and also authorize the Chairman to sign said *Agreements*.

The Township Engineer presented two (2) completed outstanding escrow accounts that are ready to be refunded; namely, (1) Sunset Metal Works, Inc., in the refund amount of \$1,194.10, check to be made payable to Brechbill & Helman Construction Co.; and, (2) Cargill Land Development Plan, in the refund amount of \$1,943.85, check to be made payable to Keystruct Inc. Construction. The Engineer stated there were four (4) remaining outstanding escrows to be refunded and these are two of those four; both projects have been approved and recorded and the refunds need to be remitted back to the original payees. Following review, on a motion by Shawn M. Corwell, seconded by Travis L. Brookens, and by a vote of 3-0, the Board unanimously voted to grant the outstanding escrow accounts as

follows: (1) Sunset Metal Works, Inc., payable to Brechbill & Helman Construction Co. in the amount of \$1,194.10; and, (2) Cargill Land Development Plan, payable to Keystruct Inc. Construction in the amount of \$1,943.85.

The Chairman noted the Township's intent to authorize the drafting of a letter to the Borough of Chambersburg's Town Council to see if they would be interested in providing public utilities in the Kohler Road area. He stated this was in reference to Parkwood Drive and hopefully would be able to use grant funds that are available for that project. Supervisor Brookens noted the utilities could be better served for the development of those areas being located closer to the Township/Borough boundary line. The Township Solicitor noted he had reviewed the language being considered for the request with the proper persons. On a motion by Shawn M. Corwell, seconded by Travis L. Brookens, and by a vote of 3-0, the Board unanimously voted to authorize a letter be drafted and forwarded to the Borough of Chambersburg Town Council requesting if they would provide public utilities for the Kohler Road area.

The Chairman, who serves as the Township's representative to the Franklin County Area Tax Bureau, presented the Bureau's Proposed 2015 Operating Budget. He noted a small increase over the previous year and reviewed three different scenarios with #1 being the worst and #3 being the best and 2015 projections for cost of collection to be between 1.71% and 1.86% which is one of the lowest in the State. He stated the Tax Board has done a very nice job over the past few years keeping that cost down. He stated the biggest change is fringe benefits and that is very minor, 1.5% pay increase for both full-time and part-time staff (part-time staff all work under 1,000 hours per year). He stated that one good thing in the fringe benefits is with their health plan which returned \$182,000 from their health care provider. He concluded by informing the Board (of Supervisors) they need only approve the adoption of this Budget and if the majority of the municipalities approves, then it (Bureau Proposed Budget) will be adopted. Supervisors Corwell and Brookens both agreed the Tax Board had done a good job. Following their review, on a motion by Travis L. Brookens, seconded by Shawn M. Corwell, and by a vote of 3-0, the Board unanimously voted to approve the Franklin County Area Tax Bureau's Proposed 2015 Operating Budget as presented.

The Board reviewed the Fayetteville Volunteer Fire Department Fire Police Monthly (October 2014) Report as submitted. It was consensus of the Board the Report be accepted as presented and become part of the official record.

The Zoning Officer presented a request for waiver of Greene Township Code 85.51.A, *Requirement to Install Sidewalks*, from All Land Surveying LLC on behalf of Ralph Tolbert Subdivision Plan, Project #14-013. The ZO stated the property is located along Route 30 East, Fayetteville, and extends from Fayetteville Main Street to Route 30, in the Highway Commercial (HC) zoning district, subdividing two lots from the main tract. The ZO stated there is a provision in the Ordinance to request a waiver and it has been done in the past with the condition that if any adjacent properties would be required to install sidewalks then these lots would be required to install as well. He noted one lot is to be conveyed to East Fayetteville Auto Sales (along Route 30) and it is not known about the other lot which fronts East Main Street, Fayetteville. The Board briefly discussed the presence of any sidewalks in

the immediate vicinity. The Chairman noted there could be a definite possibility that sidewalks would be required in the future especially considering the creation of a walking trail. Discussion continued regarding any existing sidewalks and the condition being placed on approval of the waiver request that sidewalks be installed in the future. Following discussion and review, on a motion by Shawn M. Corwell, seconded by Travis L. Brookens, and by a vote of 3-0, the Board unanimously voted to grant the request for waiver of Greene Township Code 85.51.A, *Requirement to Install Sidewalks*, for the Ralph Tolbert Subdivision Plan, Project #14-013, with condition that if sidewalks are determined necessary in the future by the Township or adjacent properties constructing them, then this property will also be required to install sidewalks.

The Zoning Officer presented and reviewed the Monthly Zoning Office Report with the Board noting the Zoning Hearing Board is scheduled to meet November 17 for one Application submitted. He stated the second Application noted on the Report was requested to be delayed by the Applicant so it will be reviewed at the (Zoning Hearing) Board's December meeting. Hearing no further comments or questions from the Board, it was consensus of the Board to accept the Monthly Zoning Office Report as presented and reviewed and shall become part of the official record.

There were no Subdivision and/or Land Development Plans presented for the Board's consideration at this Meeting.

The Township Solicitor had no further comments to offer at this Meeting.

On a motion by Travis L. Brookens, seconded by Shawn M. Corwell, and by a vote of 3-0, the Board unanimously voted to approve the payment of invoices as follows: Check Numbers 22113 through 22149 and one on-line pay, inclusive, to be paid from the General Fund; Check Number 3148 and one on-line pay, to be paid from the Liquid Fuels Fund; and, Check Number 2045 to be paid from the Electric Light Fund.

There being no further business before the Board for this Meeting, the Chairman adjourned at approximately 7:28 P.M..

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary