

November 27, 2012  
Scotland, PA 17254  
Regular Meeting

The Greene Township Board of Supervisors met in regular session Tuesday, November 27, 2012 at the Township Municipal Building, 1145 Garver Lane, Scotland, PA, following a Public Hearing held regarding Ordinance No. 2012-9 to vacate a portion of Grand Point Road Extended.

Present:

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

Gregory Lambert  
Daniel Bachman  
Diann Weller  
Welton J. Fischer

Visitors: See list

The Chairman called the Regular Meeting to order at approximately 7:04 P. M., following the Public Hearing.

The Minutes of the Regular Meeting held November 13, 2012 shall stand approved as presented.

Resident Harry Springer, 7145 Brownsville Road, Fayetteville, addressed the Board regarding an old cul-de-sac that has been left go and would like the Township to vacate it and he would take it over, noting he has discussed the matter with the Chairman in years past. The Chairman asked Mr. Springer about the mailboxes and Mr. Springer stated they are gone. Mr. Springer stated that people were throwing their “junk” mail on the ground around the mailboxes and he would have to pick it up. Mr. Springer stated he had spoken to the Post Office about the mailboxes and they (mailboxes) have been moved. The Chairman stated there would have to be 25 feet from the center of the road that would still be owned by the Township. In addition, the Chairman stated there is a 33-foot right-of-way there and the road narrows. He stated the Township would not be interested in vacating because he felt there would be little or nothing left after the roadway and right-of-way measurements were taken into consideration. The Chairman also noted that eventually an existing pole would have to be moved. The Chairman stated he would go to the site and measure it and meet with Mr. Springer to discuss the matter further before any consideration would be taken regarding Mr. Springer’s request. The Chairman stated he would try to visit the site the following week if possible.

Two (2) Sealed Bids were received for one (1) Used 2000 Ford F-350 four-wheel drive utility body truck in “as-is” condition being considered for sale by the Township. The Chairman opened and read aloud the Bids received as follows:

<b><u>Bidder's Name</u></b>	<b><i>One (1) Used 2000 Ford F-350 4-wheel Drive Utility Body Truck</i></b>	<b><u>TOTAL BID</u></b>
Toni Forrester (Forrester's)	\$10,642	\$10,642
Jones, Randy	\$3,700	\$3,700

The Board discussed the prices being offered as being somewhat lower than had been hoped or expected. The Chairman noted the Kelly Blue Book quoted the following values for this equipment as follows: \$13,843 for 'excellent' condition; and, \$12,518 for 'fair' condition of vehicle. The Board discussed further the prices being offered but when comparing the cost of re-advertising fees, etc they felt it would not be profitable to consider re-bidding the sale in hopes of obtaining higher bid prices. Therefore, following review and consideration of the two (2) Sealed Bids received, on a motion by Travis L. Brookens, seconded by Todd E. Burns, and by a vote of 3-0, the Board unanimously voted the sale of one (1) Used 2000 Ford F-350 four-wheel drive utility body truck in "as-is" condition, being sold by the Township, be awarded for the sale price of \$10,652.00 to Toni Forrester, 832 Lincoln Way East, Chambersburg, PA.

The Board reviewed a request from the Franklin County Emergency Services Alliance on behalf of the Franklin County Public Training Center for funding in 2013. The requested funding from all Franklin County Townships and Boroughs and the County is based on "per capita" at 10-cents per resident; thereby, the requested funding from Greene Township is \$1,670 (current census population of 16,700). The Chairman noted the Center was originally built by the Fire Chiefs' Association and then turned to the municipalities when there was some trouble. The Chairman noted the importance of the Training Center and stated he felt the Training Center is very worthwhile for the services it offers such as training, location for meetings, etc. The Chairman stated he had attended a graduation ceremony this past Spring for junior firefighters with a class of 40 (graduating). The Chairman further noted that it is becoming more and more difficult to recruit volunteers due to the time, effort and training that is required of volunteers. The Chairman continued by stating that if volunteers would go away then taxes would be necessary for a paid force, so as long as the Township can help keep from having to fund paid forces, the better. Supervisor Burns noted the Center had joined with the Vo-Tech school so that persons interested in public safety areas who were enrolled in the Vo-Tech could more easily participate. He stated he felt it was a good step moving forward by providing a fee per capita and the Township's share of \$1,670 is really a drop in the bucket all things considered and is in favor of the funding request. Supervisor Brookens stated he also feels it is a very worthwhile endeavor and noted his son had gone through the junior academy recently and gives his full support. On a motion by Todd E. Burns, seconded by Travis L. Brookens, and by a vote of 3-0, the Board unanimously voted the annual funding request from the Franklin County Public Safety Training Center be awarded in the amount of \$1,670 for 2013.

The Chairman asked Supervisor Todd E. Burns to present the Franklin County Area Tax Bureau's Proposed 2013 Operating Budget since he serves as the Township's representative to the Tax Bureau. Supervisor Burns stated the Budget was prepared and forwarded to all appropriate municipalities for their review and action. The proposed budget for 2013 has been set at \$1,085,038 which is an approximate increase of \$60,000 above the 2012 budget noting very minimal increase with salaries and benefits comprising a large portion of the budget and that is typically normal. Supervisor Burns continued to outline various aspects of the proposed budget noting as follows: full-time staff are to receive a 1% increase and the few part-time staff receive 25 cents per hour; the proposed collection rate will be between 1.99% and 2.16% which is slightly below the contract agreement which is 2.2%; there are no revenue changes. The Chairman asked if the net revenue in Scenario 1 with no revenue increase and no offset change was \$35,660,000. Supervisor Burns responded in the affirmative and also noted the Bureau was requesting representative(s) and alternate(s) for 2013 be appointed and the pertinent information

forwarded. Both the Chairman and Supervisor Burns noted those appointments are handled at the Supervisors annual Re-organizational Meeting to be held early January 2013. The requested information will be forwarded to the Bureau at that time. Following review and consideration, on a motion by Travis L. Brookens, seconded by Charles D. Jamison, Jr., and by a vote of 3-0, the Board unanimously voted the Franklin County Area Tax Bureau's Proposed 2013 Operating Budget be approved as presented.

The Chairman noted that each year an independent audit of financial records has to be done and action taken to have that audit performed by Smith Elliott Kearns & Company, LLC, (SEK&Co) Chambersburg; this audit would be for year ending December 31, 2012 as per correspondence received from SEK&Co. On a motion by Todd E. Burns, seconded by Travis L. Brookens, and by a vote of 3-0, the Board unanimously voted that Smith Elliott Kearns & Company, LLC, Chambersburg, be authorized to perform the Annual Financial Report (Form DCED-CLGS-30) for year ended December 31, 2012.

The Chairman stated the Township's original medical reimbursement plan will be changed drastically with the implementation of "Obamacare" and stated the Township had requested SEK&Co representative to search for something comparable to the current plan. He stated the proposed new Health Reimbursement Arrangement and Summary Plan Description has the same qualities as the current and noted there was a cost up front to obtain the new plan but a private locate organization will be paying the Township to obtain a portion of the new plan which help offset the initial total cost. He stated the proposed Township **Resolution No. 14-2012** before the Board for consideration is just replacing what the Township currently has with this new plan. 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 that Township **Resolution No. 14-2012** be approved as presented. The Township Solicitor commented the first resolution did not include that when accepting the new plan the old plan would be eliminated.

The Township Solicitor stated the Township is vacating a portion of Grand Point Road that has never been developed and adjacent land owners offered to take over and was presenting this Township **Resolution No. 15-2012** to accept the Deed of Dedication for the portion be vacated. He stated the Deed of Dedication is the rights of that area and this action is being done in order to extend the right-of-way from 33 feet to 50 feet; further, this document will clarify what is being transpired and will be filed at the County Court House. The Solicitor asked the Board to include in their motion to authorize the Township Solicitor to record all documents that pertain to this matter. 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. 15-2012** to accept the Deed of Dedication for a portion of Grand Point Road Extended be granted and the Township Solicitor be authorized to file all documents with the appropriate agencies.

On a motion by Todd E. Burns, seconded by Travis L. Brookens, and by a vote of 3-0, the Board unanimously voted the December 25 Supervisors Regular Meeting be re-scheduled to be held December 27, 2012 at 7:00 p.m., in the Township Municipal Building, 1145 Garver Lane, Scotland, PA, and authorize the Township Secretary to advertise the meeting change.

The Zoning Officer presented a request for review time extension of ninety (90) days from All Land Services, Inc. for the Bradley Gsell Subdivision; current time expires December 6, 2012. The ZO stated the Township had most recently received a third revised plan to be in line with comments that needed to be addressed. 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 for review time extension for the Bradley Gsell Subdivision be extended for an additional ninety (90) days commencing December 6, 2012 forward.

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

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

On a motion by Todd E. Burns, seconded by Travis L. Brookens, and by a vote of 3-0, the Board unanimously voted to authorize the payment of invoices as follows: Check Numbers 18339 through 18370, inclusive, to be paid from the General Fund; Check Numbers 2142 through 2146, inclusive, to be paid from the Liquid Fuels Fund; and, Check Number 1501 to be paid from the Electric Light Fund.

There being no further business before the Board for this Meeting, the Chairman adjourned at approximately 7:35 P.M..

Respectfully submitted,

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Secretary