

March 10, 2015  
Scotland, PA 17254  
Regular Meeting

The Greene Township Board of Supervisors met in regular session Tuesday, March 10, 2015 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 Fischer

Visitors: See list

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

The Chairman noted the attendance of students and asked what class they were attending for this Meeting and the response was "Civics, Career Magnet School". The Chairman reminded all persons in attendance there was a 'sign-in' sheet, to be sure to do so, and also copies of the Agenda available. The Chairman welcomed the students and stated that if any time during the Meeting they would have questions they were welcome to ask or if they preferred, they could wait and ask after the Meeting.

The Minutes of the Regular Meeting held February 24, 2015 shall stand approved as presented and become part of the official record.

Randy Stroble, candidate for County Sheriff, addressed the Board stating he was attending various municipal meetings to introduce himself. He stated he is currently a Chief Deputy; years in law enforcement with experience in various areas as well as served as a Police Officer in Montana; further information may be obtained from his Facebook and web pages. He noted it is a contested race and would appreciate persons educating themselves on all the candidates and voting for the best person for the job. Mr. Stroble asked if he could approach the Board and distribute cards with his information. The Chairman and Board Members agreed which Mr. Stroble proceeded to do and the Chairman thanked Mr. Stroble for attending and offering the information and wished him 'good luck' in his endeavors.

Supervisor Corwell presented information for the Board's consideration in purchasing one (1) new 2016 F-550 crew cab, basically similar to same one that was purchased approximately one year ago. He noted the various features plus additional ones added, especially those for safety purposes. A plow will also be included in this purchase that will be attached to this vehicle. Supervisor Corwell noted an additional lighting feature was added under the body of the dump bed that will shine down on the rear dual wheels so the driver is able to see more clearly, when vehicle is in reverse, and also at the tires. He noted there was only about \$600 difference between this vehicle and the previous one purchased. He continued stating the body would be supplied by J & J Body and also reviewed the various features on this as well noting those that are same as previous purchase. He did note they are keeping the stainless steel boxes where the hydraulics are kept as well as the tool box stating that stainless steel will last longer than other metals. The total quoted price is \$86,995 which is the CoStars price under State contract and includes minus \$7,000 CoStars allowance. He stated the Township may decide at a later date on the current one-ton whether to sell outright,

sell to another municipality, or send to auction. He noted that it could be as long as 7 to 8 months before delivery so he would like to obtain the vehicle before next winter. He explained that smaller trucks are used more widely; namely, cul-de-sacs, smaller roads, does not require a CDL (Commercial Driver's License) which allows those drivers without CDL to operate. Supervisor Brookens added of the importance of having these types of vehicles for various personnel usage and that they are used most often for so many varied uses. Supervisor Corwell reviewed the individual costs for the body, discount for CoStars purchase, etc. Supervisor Brookens again noted the various jobs a vehicle of this size offers to the Township and its operations stating it would be a good buy. The Chairman noted his agreement as well. There were no further comments offered. On a motion by Travis L. Brookens, seconded by Shawn M. Corwell, and by a vote of 3-0, the Board unanimously voted to authorize the purchase of one new 2016 F-550 off State contract (CoStars) as presented with J & J body as specified at the State contract price of \$86,995.

The Chairman noted the Township had recently met with C. S. Davidson, Inc. and was given a presentation on new software they have developed and its various uses and capabilities for roadway analysis. He asked the Township Engineer to proceed with further explanation. The Engineer noted the difficulty the Township has had over the years in determining which roadways were in need and prioritizing the same. The Township has tried to fix problems as they are seen and it was felt there had to be a better way to consider projects, spending and/or saving funds. He further noted the various attempts made in developing some type of system to determine how best to maintain the 105+ miles of Township roadways. He stated the Township had contacted C. S. Davidson, Inc. and C S presented this management and planning tool that analyzes the Township roadways and the most efficient way as to level of servicing needed. C S gave a very good presentation and followed up with a price quote whereby you subscribe to their computer program, they will set up a line and mapping of all roads; essentially it is a GIS system. Appropriate information is entered, you can use as a planning tool as to what roads will need service and at what level, with this program will be able to set up as much as a five-year plan rather than year to year, and better use of funds. The Engineer stated he will take two days a week with one of C S's technicians beginning in April with evaluations and could be done by July 1. The costs are as follows: data collection - \$15,000; annual subscription to program \$2,400 with first year being pro-rated. The Engineer stated he felt it is a good item and there are other components after the street information has been entered such as signs, drainage structures, etc so it would be a very helpful tool in the future as well. The Chairman agreed with the Engineer's comments also stating it will be a very valuable tool adding it will help move the Township into the next phase of technology; having information basically at the touch of a finger; quite unlimited in its service capacity; make the Township more effective and efficient in the future. Supervisor Corwell stated he also agreed with previous comments noting he felt that was one of the goals the Board set for themselves last year so they could use technology. He asked the Engineer if this program was compatible with the Township's GIS and the Engineer stated it is and can be migrated to the Township's system. Supervisor Corwell stated it seems to be a great timeframe with Supervisor Brookens agreeing and further noting that even in the area of budgeting, by prioritizing which road to be addressed first based on all the information is very useful for this Board and future Boards. There were no further questions or comments

offered by either the Board or anyone in attendance. On a motion by Shawn M. Corwell, seconded by Travis L. Brookens, and by a vote of 3-0, the Board unanimously voted to approve the quote as received from C. S. Davidson, Inc. for the amount of \$15,000 data collection lump sum fee and an annual fee per calendar year to a maximum of \$2,400 (per year).

The Chairman referred Board Members to information included in their Agenda contribution from area municipalities. Contribution amounts are requested to assist the Task Force with their operations and based on each municipality's population per the most current census and has been on-going for quite some time. Greene Township's portion share is \$8,062.47 and the Chairman noted that amount has stayed the same since 2010 and the Task Force has not asked for any increase. He stated the Drug Task Force is a very valuable organization in the Township and offers outstanding service to not only Greene Township but Franklin County as well; have always been very responsive to Township needs and the residents and well worth what they deserve. Supervisor Brookens agreed with the Chairman's comments and further stated the Task Force has a very positive impact on what they have to address on a yearly basis to this Township and to the County in general. Supervisor Corwell stated he also agreed with the comments offered by the Chairman and Supervisor Brookens and having worked with them in the past, noted they are a "good bunch of people" and provide excellent service to Greene Township. There were no further comments or questions offered by either the Board or those in attendance (in the audience). On a motion by Travis L. Brookens, seconded by Shawn M. Corwell, and by a vote of 3-0, the Board unanimously voted to grant the allocation to the Franklin County Drug Task Force for the year 2015 in the amount of \$8,062.47 as presented.

The Board received and reviewed the Fayetteville Volunteer Fire Department Fire Police Monthly Report for February (2015). There being no further comments offered by the Board, the Report shall become part of the official record.

The Zoning Officer presented the Monthly Zoning Office Report and reviewed same with the Board who had received a copy for their review. There being no further comments offered by the Board, the Report shall become part of the official record.

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

The Zoning Officer presented the name of an appointee as an Alternate Member to the Township Zoning Hearing Board, noting the Township has been short of another Alternate Member on the Board and currently only have one. The ZO spoke with Mr. Kevin Bodner who expressed interest in serving. Mr. Bodner has worked years with local engineering firm and has an understanding of zoning with the background and years of experience. The ZO outlined the duties of the position of Alternate Member on the Zoning Hearing Board. The Chairman noted he felt that Mr. Bodner would be an excellent addition to the Zoning Hearing Board and have an outstanding current Board of Members and Alternate. He noted there are circumstances where a second Alternate Member is a wise decision and glad to hear Mr. Bodner is willing to serve and be a part of the Zoning Hearing Board. Supervisor Brookens

noted that Mr. Bodner has been a resident of Scotland nearly all of his life and has the background of engineering work, etc; would be a valuable asset and there are times when the one Alternate Member is not available and it is good to have at least another Alternate. He further noted the current Board does an outstanding job and again noted when there are times an Alternate is needed, it would be good to have an additional person. There were no further comments or questions offered from either the Board or those in the audience. On a motion by Shawn M. Corwell, seconded by Travis L. Brookens, and by a vote of 3-0, the Board unanimously voted to appoint Mr. Kevin Bodner as an Alternate Member to the Township Zoning Hearing Board.

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

On a motion by Shawn M. Corwell, seconded by Travis L. Brookens, and by a vote of 3-0, the Board unanimously voted to approve the payment of invoices as follows: Check Numbers 22527 through 22610, inclusive, to be paid from the General Fund; Check Number 3168 and one (1) online pay to be paid from the Liquid Fuels Fund; and, Check Number 2051 to be paid from the Electric Light Fund.

The Chairman and Supervisor Brookens welcomed back colleague, Shawn Corwell, from major surgery that was done less than two (2) weeks ago. Supervisor Corwell voiced his appreciation for their comments and noted he had a kidney transplant two weeks ago, everything went well, back full time attending meetings, and is starting to come to work a few hours each week. He appreciates so many residents and others that had prayed and wished him well through the procedure.

There being no further business before the Board, the Chairman adjourned the Meeting at approximately 7:37 P.M..

Respectfully submitted,

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Secretary