

The monthly meeting of the West Fallowfield Township Board of Supervisors was held on August 1, 2013 in the township meeting room. Chairman Null called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM. Chairman Null, Vice-Chairman Althouse, Harry McCormick, Solicitor Sebastian, Secretary Wheeler, Roadmaster Immel, Chief Wilmont, Tax Collector Engle, Harry Myers, Anne Hutchison, Steve Stoltzfus and two members of the Amish Community were in attendance. Time was given to review the agenda that was available to all in attendance and was also posted in the meeting room. Chairman Null asked for comments on the agenda. There were no comments.

After reviewing the minutes, Brandon Althouse made the motion to approve the minutes of the July 2, 2013 meeting and July 18, 2013 meeting as presented. The motion was seconded by Harry McCormick and passed.

Gwen Null made the motion to table action on the Cochran Street Road Closing Ordinance until the meeting scheduled for September 5, 2013. The motion was seconded by Brandon Althouse and passed.

Secretary Wheeler reported the addition of Herbicidal Application to the Township Insurance Policy coverage would be a flat fee of \$250.00 per year. Gwen Null directed the secretary to contact Cochranville Lawn Care Service to see if herbicidal application is a service they offer and what the fee would be for the Community Center grounds for the meeting on August 15, 2013. Solicitor Sebastian will research advertising requirements for spraying of herbicides.

Gwen Null made the motion for the John Lapp Escrow Funds to be released to Mr. Lapp based on the Solicitor confirming with Ragan Engineering Associates, Inc. that all is completed with the Land Development Plan. The motion was seconded by Brandon Althouse and passed.

Brandon Althouse made the motion to approve the Steven Stoltzfus Zoning Permit Application for a 26' x 30' addition on the back of the existing horse barn and woodshop building and a 12' x 9' addition to the front of the existing horse barn and woodshop building located at 960 Fallowfield Road with the condition the additions are not for extending the home business area and the additions are to be used for agricultural storage and recreational use only. The motion was seconded by Harry McCormick and passed.

Discussion was given to the Memorandum of Understanding between the West Fallowfield Police Department and the Octorara School District. The Solicitor researched and found the school district is required to have the understanding with the Police Department, however the Police Department is not required to sign the understanding.

Secretary Wheeler reported that the swimming pool in violation at the property owned by Benjamin Esh at 2844 Homeville Road was taken down.

Secretary Wheeler reported that Signal Service inspected the traffic loops at the intersection of Route 10 & Route 41 and found them to not have been changed to the 10' x 40' loops that were to be replaced by PennDot during the construction of the curbs and relocation of the pedestrian push buttons. On July 11, 2013 Signal Service returned following the replacement of the loops with 10' x 40' loops by PennDot and reported that all loops are functioning.

Chief Wilmont gave the monthly report. The Octorara School District will not be using private security at the school. Chief Wilmont is working to speed up the process with the school reports he receives. Chief Wilmont presented to the Board pictures of a tree limbs covering the roadway on Homeville Road which could be a hazard to Emergency Response vehicles.

Brandon Althouse made the motion to have Secretary Wheeler send a letter to the property owner on Glenville Road giving the property owner 60 (sixty) days to remove the

branches covering the roadway. If they have any questions, they should contact the Township Office. The motion was seconded by Gwen Null and passed.

The Chief reported there have been several burglaries in the surrounding areas. He is advising residents to lock things up. Someone has been using PVC pipe to blow up mail boxes in the township.

Roadmaster Immel has started the second round of mowing banks. There have been a lot of trees down from the recent storms. Glenville Road will be closing below the Township Line and Upper Oxford Township has requested Roadmaster Immel assist with some of the work. The Board does not object to Roadmaster Immel assisting Upper Oxford Township.

Tax Collector Engle reported that the Per Capita tax was mailed this week to non-property owners age 18 (eighteen) and over. This is her last mailing.

The Board of Supervisors will meet with Bob Hall of Francis A. Hall Insurance and Risk Management on Thursday September 19, 2013 at 5:30 PM to review the 2013-2014 Insurance Policy.

The Solicitor has reviewed the Action Manufacturing Company RCRA Part B Permit Application and feels the Board should consider making a comment regarding the permit. Secretary Wheeler is to provide a copy of the permit to the supervisors to review and also send a copy to the Fire Company for comments.

Discussion was given to providing Roadmaster Immel with occasional assistance and to run the grater. Brandon Althouse made the motion to have James Richey help Roadmaster Immel at the discretion of the Roadmaster as to time and job to be done with James Richey being paid at the Part-Time Operator Rate of \$15.23 per hour when grating. The motion was seconded by Harry McCormick and passed.

Secretary Wheeler was directed to send letters to the property owners on Thompson and Steelville Roads for tree branches that are extending over the roadway and inhibiting the travel of larger vehicles and equipment.

A Municipal Land Use Letter was received for Shawn and Stacey Ware as part of their application for an NPDES Permit. Solicitor Sebastian would like to review the Municipal Land Use Letter before it is completed.

There was discussion of the Community Center grounds. A complaint about the volleyball court, the boards coming up from the edges of the court and bees in the sand was received. Roadmaster Immel will remove the boards from the edges of the court. If a group would like to use the court and maintain it, they can, but the Township will not be maintaining the court.

Chief Wilmont has a student that has been ordered to do community service and will have the student work on the keeping of the grounds.

Solicitor Sebastian looked into the property located at 41 Village Drive and the complaint of the grass not being mowed following it being left vacant. No action can be taken at this time as there is no ordinance for mowing of grass.

The following correspondence was read:

- Notice from PennDot that the Bridge Weight Limit for the bridge carrying Ross Fording Road over Octorara Creek will carry a weight limit of 15 tons except combination 21 tons. A Permit is required for vehicles exceeding the posted weight or other load capacity restrictions.
- Information was received from County of Chester Department of Emergency Services on the rebanding of the radio infrastructure.

- Information was received on National Penn Bank security solution *Trusteer Rapport*.
- Southern Chester County Emergency Medical Services, Inc. is requesting funding in the amount of \$12,307.00 from West Fallowfield Township for the calendar year 2014.
- Natural Gas Safety information was received from PECO.
- Information was received on the services offered by the Law Office of Brian Corvo.
- Training information was received from Paradigm on Pipeline Safety.
- The Oxford Senior Center Newsletter was received.

Gwen Null asked for comments from the floor.

Chief Wilmont commented the rebanding of the radios was due to Nextel towers.

After reviewing the invoices, Brandon Althouse made the motion to approve payment of the bills as presented. The motion was seconded by Harry McCormick and passed.

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:10 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Gina M. Wheeler, Township Secretary