

**WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS
MEETING – November 7, 2016 - 7:00 pm**

The regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Washington Township was called to order by Chairman McCleaf. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENT: Supervisors McCleaf, Reichard, McCracken and Gladhill. Supervisor Conrad was not present. Also present were Manager Mike Christopher, Assistant Manager Jeff Geesaman, Secretary Karen Hargrave, Township Planner Clint Rock, Assistant Secretary Sarah Ginn and 1 citizen.

FROM THE FLOOR: Kristopher Keith of 11673 Mentzer Gap Road asked about recent surveying that had been done in regards to placing a fence on the Old Forge Road side of his property. Township Manager Michael Christopher explained that the fence would be placed on the township’s right of way. Mr. Keith also asked for an update on the nuisance ordinance changes and the walking path on the Washington Township Boulevard. Manager Christopher advised Mr. Keith that there would not be a need for the fence if the property was cleaned up.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA: On a Reichard/Gladhill motion, the Board of Supervisors approved the agenda, vote was 4-0.

APPROVAL OF THE OCTOBER 17, 2016 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES: On a Reichard/Gladhill motion, the Board of Supervisors approved the meeting minutes for the October 17, 2016 regular meeting, vote was 4-0.

INVOICES:

The following invoices were presented for payment:

General Fund	\$75,145.13
Impact Fee Fund	1,745.29
Capital Reserve Fund	1,476.19
WTB Fund	36,464.15
Highway Aid Fund	<u>9,702.99</u>
 Total Invoices	 \$124,533.75

On a Reichard/Gladhill motion, the Board of Supervisors approved payment of the invoices presented, vote was 4-0.

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. PennDOT- Multimodal Funding- A letter was received from PennDOT dated October 17, 2016 in reference to the 2016 Multimodal Transportation Fund Application. The letter stated that the project that was submitted for funding was not approved for the 2016-2017 fiscal year.

2. Donation- Desk for office- A 44"x 84" wooden executive desk was received from Alan Shaffer as a donation to the township. On a Gladhill/McCracken motion, the Board of Supervisors accepted the desk, vote was 4-0.

3. Donation- Red Run Train- The Township received a \$100.00 cash donation from Harding's Orchard of 14310 Harbaugh Church Road for the Halloween event held on October 29, 2016 at Red Run Park. On a Gladhill/McCracken motion, the Board of Supervisors accepted the \$100.00 cash donation from Harding's Orchard for the Red Run Train, vote was 4-0.

4. PennDot- Snow removal check- A check was received from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for the 2016/2017 Winter Municipal Agreement in the amount of \$6,891,49.

5. Cumberland Valley Rod & Custom Car Club donation- A check in the amount of \$825.00 was received from the Cumberland Valley Rod & Custom Club as a donation to Red Run Park. On a Reichard/Gladhill motion, the Board of Supervisors accepted the \$825.00 donation from the Cumberland Valley Rod & Custom Club, vote was 4-0.

6. Franklin County Tax Service- A notification dated October 28, 2016 was received from the Franklin County Tax Services in regards to an assessment change for tax parcel Q-05-14-076 for Charles Rhines. On a Gladhill/McCracken motion, the Board of Supervisors accepted the assessment change for parcel Q-05-14-076, vote was 4-0.

7. Comcast- Quarterly payment- Notification was received from Comcast Cable of a direct deposit payment in the amount of \$31,711.31 on November 1, 2016.

8. Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church- 2017 Pet Blessing- A letter dated October 28, 2016 was received from the Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church of Rouzerville in regards to their request to hold another pet blessing on October 1, 2017. The request would include the use of the bandstand, pavilions 1, 2 and 4 and the train. They would also like to block the road that goes by pavilions 1 and 2. On a Reichard/Gladhill motion, the Board of Supervisors approved the October 1, 2017 Pet Blessing event at Red Run Park by the Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church, vote was 4-0.

9. Blue Ridge Fire & Rescue Gun Bash- A letter dated November 3, 2016 was received from Blue Ridge Fire & Rescue requesting the use of Pine Hill Park on June 3, 2017 for their gun bash fundraiser with the Waynesboro Fire Department. The request would also include the use of the park on June 2, 2017 for set up preparation and the use of tobacco and alcohol products on the day of the event. On a Reichard/McCracken motion, the Board of Supervisors approved the Blue Ridge & Waynesboro Fire Departments to use Pine Hill Park for a gun bash fundraiser on June 2 & 3, 2017, vote was 4-0.

10. DEP- Performance Grant- A check was received from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in the amount of \$23,959.00 for the 2014 Recycling Performance Grant on November 4, 2016.

11. Benecon- Health Insurance Rebate- A check in the amount of \$22,343.00 was received from Pennsylvania Municipal Health Insurance Cooperative for the final surplus distribution for calendar year 2015.

MANAGER'S REPORT:

1. **Follow up of ribbon cutting for the Washington Township Boulevard:**
The Township Manager thanked all of those who were in attendance at the ribbon cutting ceremony on November 2, 2016. The event was well attended.
2. **Police Department- SUV bid award:**
The Township Manager presented 2 quotes for a 2017 Ford Utility Police Interceptor Sport Utility Vehicle. The first quote was for \$34,522.00 from Tri

Star Ford of Tyrone. The second quote was for \$35,753.71 from New Holland Auto Group. On a Reichard/McCracken motion, the Board of Supervisors authorized the purchase of a 2017 Ford Utility Police Interceptor Sport Utility vehicle from Tri Star Ford of Tyrone at a price of \$34,522.00, vote was 4-0.

3. Meeting schedule for 2017 & move the December 28 workshop to December 29:

The Township Manager presented the 2017 meeting schedule. He suggested moving the December 28, 2016 workshop to December 29, 2016 and cancelling the July 3, 2017 meeting. On a Gladhill/McCracken motion, the Board of Supervisors approved the 2017 meeting schedule be advertised with the suggested changes of moving the December 28, 2016 workshop meeting to December 29, 2016 and cancelling the July 3, 2016 meeting, vote was 4-0.

4. Preliminary Budget Discussion:

A brief discussion of the preliminary budget was held using the graphs and charts that the Township Manager presented to show breakdowns by specific departments.

ASSISTANT MANAGER'S REPORT:

1. Consideration of the FCATB 2017 Budget:

The Assistant Manager presented the proposed 2017 Franklin County Area Tax Board operating budget. On a Gladhill/McCracken motion, the Board of Supervisors approved the 2017 Franklin County Area Tax Board budget as presented, vote was 4-0.

2. Transfer Station Closing Thursday November 10, 2016:

The Assistant Manager advised that the Transfer Station would be closed on Thursday November 10, 2016 for repairs to be made to the gate at the pit area and also for paving.

3. Complaints

a. Simmers- Nuisance in Fact

The Assistant Manager presented a memo and photos from Code Enforcement Officer James Meek in regards to the Simmers' properties at 5796 and 5788 Tick Ridge Road. On a Reichard/McCracken motion, the Board of Supervisors declared the Simmers' properties at 5796 and 5788 Tick Ridge Roads a nuisance in fact because of the following conditions: there are 2 dilapidated buildings on the property both of which are in such a state of despair that they may fall down at any time and could possibly cause damage to the neighbor's property or could cause injury to someone. Also due to the proximity to the township roadway if the buildings were to fall down they will impede or obstruct the roadway. The buildings are a breeding ground for rats and vermin. It has also been determined that the buildings are a fire hazard and are an attractive nuisance for children to play in and could cause injury, vote was 4-0.

b. Neibert- Nuisance in Fact

The Assistant Manager presented a memo and photos from Code Enforcement Officer James Meek in regards to the Neibert properties at 7353 Iron Bridges Road and 14750 Wayne Highway South. On a Reichard/Gladhill motion, the Board of Supervisors tabled the matter for further review, vote was 4-0.

4. Consideration of a burn ban for Washington Township

The Assistant Manager presented a memo from James Meek in regards to considering a burn ban for Washington Township due to the drought watch issued by DEP. On a Gladhill/Reichard motion, the Board of Supervisors implemented a ban on all open burning in Washington Township, vote was 4-0.

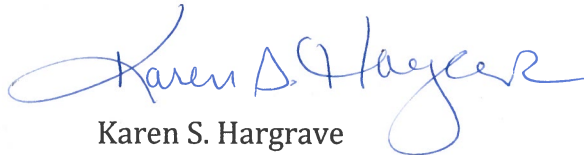
SOLICITOR'S REPORT: No report

On a Reichard/Gladhill motion, the Board of Supervisors entered into executive session at approximately 7:46 pm, vote was 4-0.

On a Reichard/McCracken motion, the Board of Supervisors came out of executive session at approximately 7:52 pm, vote was 4-0. The Board of Supervisors discussed real estate matters.

MISCELLANEOUS: Supervisor McCleaf suggested that the Assistant Manager contact PennDOT to have "stop ahead" painted on Country Club Road approaching the intersection with Washington Township Boulevard.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:17 p.m. on a Reichard/McCracken motion, vote was 4-0.



Karen S. Hargrave
Secretary