

April 21, 2008

The Lower Heidelberg Twp. Board of Supervisors held their regularly scheduled meeting on the above date. Those present were: R. David Seip, Kimberly Reifsnyder, Cheryl Johnson, Attorney Liz Magovern, Engineer Gary Kraft and Road Foreman Greg Leffler. Police Chief Gerald Mohn was absent. The meeting was brought to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mr. Seip.

Minutes from last month were distributed prior to this meeting. Motion by D. Seip, seconded by K. Reifsnyder, the minutes were approved as read.

The meeting was opened to the public. Special request to let the Fire Chief and Fire Marshall give their reports first because they have another meeting to attend. Greg Deiterich, Fire Chief, reported 21 calls for the month with an average of 5 fire fighters per call. Mr. Seip was glad to hear that the turn-out per incident has gone up.

The Fire Marshal, Tom Deiterich, gave his report. He said it was a slow month. He also put information in the Supervisors' mail bins regarding outdoor boiler burners by Robert Radle, a resident who has done research on these boilers. Since the Supervisors just received this information today, they will take some time to review it and take it under advisement.

The meeting was open to the public.

Mr. Fitzpatrick, representing Phoebe Berks, was up next. Phoebe Berks has proposed to construct 6 duplex cottages. Our current ordinance #259 requires fire sprinklers in duplexes. Single families are exempt but not duplexes. Phoebe Berks has a unique situation, they have round the clock monitoring. Monitoring system and electronically integrated into a fire alarm system, automatically triggers a communications process. Also providing 1 hour fire wall (delays spreading of fire). With all that in mind, Mr. Fitzpatrick is hoping some consideration could be made to change Ord. 259 at least where it pertains to duplexes in personal care facilities. The Supervisors would not like to make changes until reviewing with engineer, fire marshal and fire chief and bring it up at the next meeting.

Update the Board on status made thus far. Latest revised ordinance on Overlake District. Looking for motion from Supervisors to take this to? Kim asked if this revision was brought up at the Planning Commission. Has Mr. Nuehs gotten this last revision. Forward to Glen Neuhs and also to Planning Commission. Get to us ASAP.

Mike ? Few words Green Valley schools Letter from Spotts 7-page letter from Chris Hartman on March 8.

Performance Motors –

Frank Gabell asked that the Supervisors do something about the 2 properties in Green Valley Estates that were involved in the recent drug bust. One of the vacant houses, which is owned by a bank, is being maintained but the other house is not. The grass has not been cut and the garage door is open. Gary Kraft will get Glenn to post signs on the property and then the township can go on the property, cut the grass and repair the garage door so it can be closed.

Due to the absence of Sandra Davis, Tax Collector, the Tax Report was given by Kim Reifsnyder. \$100,125.75 was turned over.

The Treasurer's Report was then given by Kim Reifsnyder. Balances in the various accounts are as follows:

General Fund	\$ 180,107.02
Streetlight Fund	390.29
Fire Hydrant Fund	24,007.66
Building Fund	10,478.16
SEO Fund	6,226.00
Trash/Recycling Fund	69,539.76
Recreation Fund	19,231.09
Fire Pro. Tax Fund	130,788.38
State Aid Fund	102,957.21

Motion by D. Seip, seconded by K. Reifsnyder, the supervisors approved payment of all bills.

Motion by D. Seip, seconded by K. Reifsnyder, the supervisors approved the Tax and Treasurer Reports as presented.

Building/Zoning:

The Environmental/Sewer Report was given by Carl D'Amico. End of April should have draft copy of Ag 537 from Spotts Stevens & McCoy. If extension is needed, Mr. Seip has no objection.

No police report this month due to the absence of the Police Chief.

The road report was given by the road foreman. His report is attached. 5 major pieces were worked on. Street sweeping is May 13 & 14. Sealed bids were opened by Pat Delaney. Attached is a list of bidders. Mr. Seip announced the bid winner for the dump truck is Reber Auto Co, Lebanon, PA for

\$6,767.67 and the 1998 and 1999 Ford Crown Victorias is Bay Ridge Motors, Staten Island, NY for \$395.00 and \$595.00 respectively. Motion made to award the truck and cars by Mr. Seip, seconded by Cheryl Johnson

The secretary had nothing to report.

Kim Reifsnyder – Events coordinator for Berks Ambulance has requested a permit for assemblage at Calvary Bible Church. The event will take place in May.

Attorney's report: (1) Outdoor fuel burners

The Board and Liz Magovern left the meeting room for an executive session to discuss personnel issues.

Kim Reifsnyder made a that as of April 28 the Township no longer uses the services of George Fasic or Fox Hollow as a consultant. Seconded by Cheryl Johnson.

Motion by Kim Reifsnyder, seconded by Cheryl Johnson to allow our solicitor to advertise speed & stop sign ordinance for Lower Heidelberg Township.

Cheryl Johnson submitted 4 bills from Meister Architects: (1) Descoco Design & Construction, Inc. for \$810.00; (2) Descoco Design & Construction for \$112,370; (3) Vision Mechanical, LLC for \$540.00 and (4) Vision Mechanical, LLC for \$2,972.20. Regarding item (2) we will only be paying \$32,350 because \$80,020 is being held for the roofing construction and will not be paid until the problem with the roof is fixed. Motion by Cheryl Johnson to pay \$36,672.20, seconded by Kim Reifsnyder.

Adjourned meeting at 9:45