

JEFFERSON TOWNSHIP
Regular Meeting
Carsonville Fire Company Building
December 17, 2014

CALL TO ORDER

The December 17, 2014 Regular meeting of the Jefferson Township Board of Supervisors was called to order at 7:30 PM by Chairman Alan Loesch, beginning with the Pledge of Allegiance. Members present: Chairman Alan Loesch, Vice-Chairman Margaret Peterson, Supervisor Keith Crum, Township Engineer Ed Fisher; EMC Brenda Osman, Secretary - Treasurer Robyn Loesch; Guests present: Isa Daniels, Sam Mace, David Warfel, Jason Faust, John Witmer.

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Alan Loesch made a motion to approve the minutes of the December 27, 2014 Regular meeting as written. Margaret Peterson seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried 3-0.

TREASURERS REPORT

A summary of the current month's bills was read. A motion to pay the bills was made by Alan Loesch. Margaret Peterson seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried 3-0.

General Fund Bills – \$ 12,624.81 State Fund – \$ 0

Note that; the Girl Scouts have been sending their plan review fees. Sautters paid for their local assessment permit. Marty Sowers has told us that we cannot hold the contractors responsible for not obtaining permits. Ed Fisher said that the property owners can complain to the State because all of these contractors should be registered.

Alan Loesch made a motion to approve submitting the bill from Long's to the Gaming Grant Board for reimbursement (\$725.00 for tree removal, guiderail project). Margaret Peterson seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried 3-0.

Persons to be Heard - Sam Mace asked why did we rent a tractor. Keith Crum said that our tractor has a broken hydraulic cylinder.

CORRESPONDENCE

- Dauphin County has a new program to help lower floodplain insurance costs. Jefferson does not have enough people participating in the floodplain insurance program to make the program worthwhile.
- PennDOT sent a notice that the specifications (names) for anti-skid have changed.

ADMINISTRATIVE/TAX ASSESSMENT

#460, to Christian Sautter, for a roof over an existing porch

ENGINEERING REPORT - Ed Fisher reported on the revised Girl Scout plans. They have been approved by DCCD and DEP. They will need a developers agreement and need to post the stormwater financial guarantee. Alan Loesch can sign the plans once this condition has been met. Ed has also reviewed the property at 3975 Back Rd and does not see evidence of any external building. He did not see the unpermitted shed on Hemlock Rd, but will go back and look again.

FIRE COMPANY REPORT There were two fire calls last month, a barn fire in Matamoras, and a controlled burn.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT REPORT - Nothing to report.

COG REPORT - The next COG meeting will be January 15 at Halifax Township.

ROAD REPORT - Keith Crum reported that

- They have been out for several small snows.
- They got a new cylinder to repair our tractor.

OLD BUSINESS -

- Daniels Sub-Division - The stormwater guarantee escrow account has not been posted. The plans cannot be signed. The Township will check with TCRP to make sure that this can remain on hold,
- There was a lengthy discussion about the proposed additional increase in Fire Co. building rent. The Township had offered a 50% increase from \$3,000 to \$4,500. The Fire Company came back with a counteroffer of \$5,000. There was a discussion about the amount donated by Wayne Township. Since 2011, Wayne has donated \$3,000 per year, however prior to 2011 the Fire Company has records of a \$5,000 donation. Supervisors Crum and Peterson were against any increase beyond \$4,500. Supervisor Loesch made a motion to contract for the \$4,500, with an option of giving an additional \$500 donation midyear - depending on our financial condition. Motion died for lack of a second. There was a discussion if this had to go back to a Fire Company meeting for approval. David Warfel said that a \$4,500 agreement had already been approved at their last meeting (if a higher amount could not be negotiated). Alan Loesch said that the Township attorney will prepare a new lease with the Township paying \$4,500/year. Keith Crum said that the proposed light at the salt shed would be an LED, and it could be put on a switch. The Township will hire an electrician for installation.

NEW BUSINESS -

- 2015 Tax Rate Resolution # 2014-313. Alan Loesch made a motion, seconded by Margaret Peterson to approve the 2015 tax rate, which is to remain at the 2014 level of .78 mils. All in favor. Motion carried 3-0.
- 2015 Budget Resolution # 2014-314. Alan Loesch made a motion, seconded by Margaret Peterson to approve the 2015 budget. All in favor. Motion carried 3-0.
- Alan Loesch made a motion, seconded by Margaret Peterson to sign the 2015 Humane Society Agreement. All in favor. Motion carried 3-0.
- PSATS is asking that every municipality that participates in their UC program adopt a new ordinance. This information will be sent to the Township Attorney.

PUBLIC COMMENT – NONE

ADJOURNMENT - Alan Loesch motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Margaret Peterson. All were in favor and the meeting adjourned at 8:30 P.M.

Robyn Loesch
Secretary/Treasurer