

RICHLAND TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

AUGUST 19, 2009

PUBLIC MEETING

The Richland Township Board of Supervisors meeting held at the municipal building on Wednesday, August 19, 2009 was called to order at 7:00 PM. by Chairman, Herbert C. Dankmyer. There were 14 people present in the audience. The Officials present were:

Herbert C. Dankmyer, Chairman	John A. Pasquinelli, Supervisor
Raymond P. Kendrick, Vice Chairman	Dean E. Bastianini, Township Manager
George P. Allen, Supervisor	Tina L. Shaw, Recording Secretary
Brian M. O'Malley, Supervisor	Mandi Scott, Esquire

Mr. Kendrick made a motion to approve the minutes from the Supervisors meeting of July 15, 2009. Mr. Allen seconded the motion and it was approved by all

Mr. Dankmyer asked if anyone in the audience wished to speak. No one came forward.

Mr. Kendrick acknowledged and moved to approve the July 2009 Financial Statement which was included in the meeting packet. Mr. Allen seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

Mr. Kendrick made a motion to approve the bills payable. Mr. O'Malley seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Mr. Bastianini reported that ten building permits had been issued for new residential construction in July. He also pointed out that as of the end of July, both Pine and Richland Townships had an identical number of police calls: 2,385.

CORRESPONDENCE

Todd Kravits, P.E.
District Traffic Engineer, PennDOT

A letter responding to inquiries from the Township regarding 1) the Pittsburgh National Golf Club signs which were illegally installed within State road right-of-ways and 2) the procedure for applying for "destination" signs for the Bakerstown business district. Mr. Kravits indicated that the owner of the golf course sign was being notified to remove them, and provided a contact person for the Department's new "Regional Way Finding Program".

David J. Emmert
219 Whispering Pines Drive, Montana

A letter requesting that the Board of Supervisors waive the penalty and interest owed on reportedly unpaid 2003 Real Estate Taxes. Ms. Mandi Scott, Esquire advised the Board that it does not have the authority to waive the penalty and interest fees.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Dankmyer asked if anyone present wishes to speak on the proposed zoning ordinance amendment which had been advertised for adoption at this public meeting. No one came forward.

Mr. Kendrick made a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 438 amending Chapter 27, "Zoning" of the Richland Township Code of Ordinances as presented. Mr. Allen seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

Mr. Allen made a motion to approve Resolution No. 18 of 2009 appointing Dean E. Bastianini as the Primary Voting Delegate and Gerald Reichart and Brian O'Malley as Alternate Delegates to the Act 32 Regional Tax Collection Committee. Mr. Pasquinelli seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

MANAGER'S REPORT

Mr. Bastianini reported on a number of subjects. Based on the information reported the Supervisors took the following actions:

- Mr. Kendrick made a motion to enter into an open market contract with Weigand Contracting to install a masonry storage shed (which will match the blocks of the existing building) for the price of \$19,775.00. Mr. Pasquinelli seconded the motion and it was approved by all.
- Mr. Kendrick made a motion authorizing the Solicitor to prepare an ordinance or resolution amending the Township's sanitary sewer fee structure to allow for the assessment of fees and charges associated with a water meter replacement program for sanitary sewer customers who are on private wells. Mr. Allen seconded the motion and it was approved by all.
- Mr. O'Malley made a motion to accept a proposal from Carlins Consulting to provide electrical engineering services for the community park grant project for a not to exceed price of \$5,000. Mr. Pasquinelli seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

Mr. Bastianini reported on the following subjects which did not require Board action:

- He acknowledged the hard work and many hours of services provided by Mr. Reichart, Ms. Williams, Ms. Ratay, Ms. Portuesi and thanked all of the members of Public Works and Administration Department for the great job they did in making Community Day successful.
- Zambelli Internationale had proposed a three year renewal of the Community Day fireworks contract. The renewal included annual enhancements of \$1,000 per year.
- The State contract price for road salt would be \$52.59. The contract also includes a fuel adjustment clause.
- The Parks and Recreation Board will conduct interviews next week with the four consulting firms which submitted proposals for the Comprehensive Open Space and Recreation Plan, and two Master Site Plans. If the Parks Board reaches a consensus a recommendation will be presented to the Supervisors for consideration in September.
- He used charts to show the construction plans for the improvements which will be financed in part with the DCNR grant. The plans will be submitted to the State by the end of August for their approval which is a precondition of advertising the project for bids.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Ms. Mandi Scott reported that she had prepared a collection agreement whereby Attorney John Auld would serve as Special Counsel for the collection of delinquent tap-in fee loan payments from a resident who had previously been a client of Goehring, Rutter and Boehm.

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

Ms. Annette Robinson, 108 Applewood Drive, questioned the type of formal action which would be necessary to assess water meter fees to well customers of the sanitary sewer system and asked if the matter would be advertised? Mr. Bastianini responded.

Girl Scout Troop 50924 thanked the Board of Supervisors for the fantastic fireworks presentation at Community Day.

Mr. Robert Lusnak, 310 Forestwood Drive requested that a stop sign be installed on Forestwood Drive where it intersects with Vineyard Drive. Mr. Lusnak expressed concern about site distance at the intersection and speeding on Forestwood. Mr. Bastianini explained the warrants for the installation of stop signs and said that the Township will evaluate the site distance at Vineyard Drive. Chief Amann will also be made aware of Mr. Lusnak's concerns about speeding.

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COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD

Mr. O'Malley thanked everyone for their time and effort in making Richland Township's Community Day a great success.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,