

The regular meeting of the Wheatfield Township Supervisors was held Monday, October 3, 2011 in the Township Building. Jim Fuller called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. Present were Jim Fuller, Barry Schrope, Annette Mullen, Johanna Rehkamp, Lester Nace, Vicki Jenkins, Ronald Moore, Shannon Breighner, Darrell Breighner, Mary Breighner, Kristen Mills, Thomas Mills, Bob Rhoades, Bob Foltz, Darlene Johnson, Dexter Potter, Holly Potter, Dave Jenkins, Barb Zeigler, Bob Noaker, David Mills, Dianne Dahlin, Kraig Nace and Kevin Bissonnette.

Jim Fuller led the pledge to the American flag followed by a brief moment of silence in honor of the men and women who serve our country in the armed forces.

Jim Fuller announced Dianne Dahlin will be recording tonight's meeting.

The minutes of the September 6, 2011 regular meeting were presented to the supervisors and posted for attendees in the township building prior to the October 3, 2011 regular meeting for public viewing. Barry Schrope made a motion to approve the minutes as presented by the secretary, Annette Mullen second the motion, with all in favor.

David Mills would like to thank the supervisors for continuing to support Wagner Park and recreation in the township.

Kraig Nace of the Duncannon EMS informed the supervisors that July and August were their 2 busiest months for dispatched calls on record. Kraig also thanked the supervisors for their ongoing support.

Kevin Bissonnette of the Duncannon Fire Co. thanked Jim Fuller and the road crew for their quick response and help during the flash flooding.

Darrell Breighner of Thomas Drive is here tonight to ask the supervisors for some clarification and information. Darrell said he has been told Thomas Drive is designated as a private drive and he has also been told a private drive is 3 or less houses on a road. The development name is Cook Kisner and there are currently 8 homes in the development and 2 more bordering the development that own property in the development. Darrell states the road through the development is stone/gravel and he would like to know why the road was never paved and what the residents could do to get the road paved; what criteria would have to be met. Darrell stated he would like a copy of the approval or disapproval of the building plans or zoning for the development when it was put in. Annette Mullen asked Darrell if he has checked the deed at the court house, which would be where they would have to start and asked how old the development was. Darrell indicated it was in the 1960's. Darrell stated there is a stop sign at Rt. 274 and if it is designated as a private drive why was there a stop sign installed. Annette asked if the township installed the stop sign and Darrell indicated they believe it was installed by previous employees. Darrell would like to know if they could get Thomas Drive paved, they pay the same amount of taxes as anybody else in the township. Darrell stated the other thing is the Post Office will not bring their mailboxes into their development because it is an unpaved road. Ronald Moore stated when Buzz Mullen and Paul Fisher were with the township they told them if the residents would give up their 50 foot right of way they would come in and pave 19 feet, no sidewalks or curbs. Ronald stated there are 9 people in their development that are legally disabled and they made them move their mailboxes another 200 yards. Ronald stated they need to get their mailboxes moved into the development for the safety of the residents. Ronald stated all residents of the development are willing to give up their 50 foot right of way. Barry Schrope asked if they now currently have a 30 foot right of way or if the 50 foot right of way was ever approved, Ronald stated they have a 30 foot right of way the 50 foot right away was never followed through with. Annette asked when the last house was installed was anything put on the deed about the lane. Ronald stated his was the last house built in July 1976. Lester indicates it is now the developer's responsibility to pave but he doesn't know what was done back then when this development was put in, but he expects that it was not a requirement back then and people being told what he is hearing they were told came from a real estate person or came from somebody that did not necessarily know what the township requirements were at that time; if the development was put in today the road would be paved probably 20 or 22 foot the whole way around and it would have a 50 foot right of way. Lester stated he does not think he wants his tax dollars going for a private road he has no use for to be paved by the township when they don't do it for other developers. Jim Fuller stated the township has 33 private drives that are not paved that have 3 or more houses on them. Jim stated there are no requirements right now to pave a development with 3 lots or less, once you go over 3 you have to pave. Annette stated on other private drives with 3 or more houses the residents have all chipped in to have the road paved. Dianne Dahlin stated this is actually a development it's not privately bought land with people putting houses on it; this

was sold as a development. Dianne states she understands the developer should have put a road in but at this point considering where it is along Rt. 274 with the safety issue; she does not think it should be the townships responsibility but in the same respect they apparently have been in touch with the previous supervisors and they were willing to pave the road and she thinks it should be taken into consideration. Annette stated she would like to check deeds and go back and look at the minutes. Annette advised Darrell all this information is public information and he should start at the court house and look at the deeds and the subdivision plan. Lester advised the stop sign on Thomas Drive at Rt. 274 was probably installed by PennDot because of the Drive entering a state highway. Annette stated to protect the citizens the township now requires the developer to put these things in so it does not come back onto all of the taxpayers to fix someone's mistake for someone who is making money for putting a development in. Annette states this would create a burden on taxpayers because now the township is incurring the cost to do everything, infrastructure, survey, paving, storm water and the upkeep of the road. This would not be a cheap project and that is why the developer is required to do this. Darrell requested to be on November's agenda to go over the information they find out at the court house.

A special meeting was held on Friday, September 30, 2011 to open the bids received for the Dark Hollow Road culvert replacement. The 3 low bidders were JBeitz Enterprises, Inc. at \$138,499.00, Rogele, Inc. at \$143,634.00 and Jay Fulkroad and Sons Inc. at \$144,933.20. The 3 low bidder contracts were sent to the solicitor for review. Johanna advised the JBeitz Enterprises contract was missing the Workmen's Comp Act Affidavit and Attachment 1A forms. Barry Schrope made a motion to conditionally accept JBeitz Enterprises, Inc. contract for \$138,499.00 if the missing forms are received by October 7, 2011 by 2:00 p.m., Jim Fuller second the motion, with all in favor. The secretary will contact JBeitz Enterprises and inform them of the missing paperwork and due date. The supervisors advised a change order will be needed for fish baffles on this project as required by DEP.

Barry Schrope made a motion to release \$500 budgeted as a donation to Perry County Crime Stoppers, Jim Fuller second the motion, with all in favor. Annette Mullen stated she will contact Crime Stoppers to see how the money is used and more about the organization.

The township has received a check from the Commonwealth of PA in the amount of \$33,164.37 for the 2011 Volunteer Fire Relief. Annette Mullen made a motion for the monies to be released with \$24,873.28 (3/4) going to the Duncannon Fire Co. and \$8,291.09 (1/4) going to the New Bloomfield Fire Co., Barry Schrope second the motion, Jim Fuller opposed. Jim Fuller stated he is in favor of keeping the split 2/3 to Duncannon and 1/3 to New Bloomfield. Annette Mullen asked Jim the reason being so she has it on the record and Jim advised he is not interested in arguing with Annette and that it is his desire to keep the split 2/3, 1/3. Annette asked the secretary if there was any way she could get that statement in the minutes next month and Vicki advised it would be there.

The preliminary 2012 budget was worked on. The secretary will present the proposed budget to the Supervisors at November's meeting.

Jim Fuller advised he will speak to Dennis Gilbert about filling in along Creek Road where it washed out so the guard rails can be put back up.

A public access program cooperative agreement has been received from the Pennsylvania Game Commission to enroll the land at Wagner Park in the Safety Zone Program. As part of the agreement the park will receive Safety Zone Program signs, food and cover seedlings. The supervisors agreed to sign the agreement.

Jim Fuller asked the other supervisors about purchasing a sound system from Radio Shack to use at meetings. Annette Mullen made a motion to purchase a sound system, Barry Schrope second the motion, with all in favor.

Jim Fuller advised he and Lester Nace attended a meeting at the Sulphur Springs Bridge held by Wilson Consulting Group, PennDot and other engineers to discuss the replacement project. Construction should start in 2013 and pre-engineering work should be starting right away.

Jim Fuller advised October's recycling went well.

The supervisors advised they are looking into repealing ordinance #26-8-96 dealing with on lot sewage. DEP allows for a person who bought land before 1987 to have a one-time exemption of selling off 10 acres and putting a standard system in without inspection. Jim stated the previous supervisors passed an ordinance to disallow that. Annette Mullen stated she needs to look up some information on the other Acts in the ordinance it is referring to before making a decision.

Annette Mullen stated she is thinking when the building is up she would like to pave the parking lot and also purchase a sign identifying the township building.

Jim Fuller made a motion to approve the checks from the General Fund for the month of September with each supervisor abstaining from approval on those they had a personal interest in. They were as follows:

16683 – 16717, 0008-2011, 008-2011 and 08-2011, except 16690, 16692, 16693, 16694 and 16705, all five approved.

16690, 16692, 16705, – Barry and Annette approved, Jim abstained.

16693 – Jim and Barry approved, Annette abstained.

16694 – Jim and Annette approved, Barry abstained.

Barry Schrope second the motion to approve the checks, with all in favor.

There being no further business Barry Schrope made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Jim Fuller second the motion, with all in favor. Meeting adjourned at 10:55 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Vicki L. Jenkins
Twp. Secretary