

A public hearing was held on Monday, January 5, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. in the Township Building. Barry Schrope called the hearing to order at 7:00 p.m. Those present were Barry Schrope, Jim Fuller, Annette Mullen, Johanna Rehkamp, Vicki Jenkins, Lester Nace, Jeff Smith, Eric Lingle, Marty Smith, Mary Smith, Dave Jenkins, Dexter Potter, Holly Potter, Corey Smith, Kurt Hepschmidt, David Mills, Kraig Nace, David Linville, Bob Rhoades and Rick Schaar. Advance Publications advertised the hearing as required by law in the Perry County papers. The purpose of the hearing was to hear public comment on a proposed rezoning request on a portion of lands owned by Eric and Stephanie Lingle of 32 Paradise Road, Duncannon, PA. The lands are currently zoned as Industrial and the owner is requesting for the parcels to be rezoned to Agricultural/Residential.

Lester Nace, Zoning Officer stated the township has received a request from Eric and Stephanie Lingle, 32 Paradise Road, Duncannon, PA requesting a zoning change. Lester stated the owners own 3 tracts of land, actually its 2 tracts of land; there were 3 tracts originally, the 1 tract with the house on it is zoned as Industrial, the 1 tract behind the house is zoned Industrial and the 1 tract to the east is zoned Agricultural/Residential. Lester stated everything to the west of the property is currently zoned Industrial and everything to the east is currently zoned Agricultural/Residential. Lester stated the owners are trying to sell their property but are running into problems with the buyers being able to borrow money for Industrial zoned property. Lester stated the property owners have requested the township to rezone the property from Industrial to Agricultural/Residential. Lester stated the owners made a submission to the township planning commission at last month's meeting and the planning commission recommended approval and agreed to the zoning change. Lester also advised the Perry County Planning Commission has recommended approval as well (letters on file). Lester stated the owners are here tonight asking for approval from the supervisors.

Dave Mills of the Township Planning Commission stated the planning commission was all in favor of the zoning change.

Eric Lingle stated they had Joe Burget come out and combined the 2 parcels as discussed.

There being no further comments or questions, Barry Schrope made a motion to rezone the 2 tracts of land from Industrial to Agricultural/Residential, Jim Fuller second the motion, with all in favor. The township will send a letter to the Lingles advising the zoning change was approved. Barry Schrope made a motion to adjourn the public hearing at 7:10 p.m., Jim Fuller second the motion, with all in favor.

A second public hearing was held on Monday, January 5, 2015 at 7:15 p.m. in the Township Building. Those present were the same as stated above with the addition of Luke Roman (Perry County Times). Advance Publications advertised the ordinances and hearing as required by law in the Perry County papers. The purpose of the hearing was to hear public comment on the proposed enactment of 3 ordinances concerning the participation of Wheatfield Township in the PSATS Unemployment Compensation Group Trust, Pension Trust and Health Insurance Cooperative Trust.

Barry Schrope stated the township received correspondence from PSATS requesting the township approve and adopt 3 ordinances regarding the Unemployment Compensation, Pension and Health Insurance Trust ensuring its compliance with the Intergovernmental Cooperation Act and the amended Trust Agreements applicable to the township.

There was no public comment. Barry Schrope made a motion to adopt and approve the 3 ordinances as requested (copy on file), Jim Fuller second the motion, with all in favor. The supervisors signed the ordinances and copies will be forwarded to PSATS. Barry Schrope made a motion to adjourn the public hearing at 7:20 p.m., Jim Fuller second the motion, with all in favor.

The organizational meeting of the Wheatfield Township Supervisors was held Monday, January 5, 2015 in the Township Building. Barry Schrope called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. Present were all of those as stated above.

Annette Mullen led the pledge to the American flag followed by a brief moment of silence.

The first order of business was to reorganize. Annette Mullen was appointed as Temporary Chair to start the reorganization, Johanna Rehkamp was appointed as Temporary Secretary.

Jim Fuller made a motion to appoint Barry Schrope as Chairman, Annette Mullen second the motion, with all in favor.

Barry Schrope made a motion to appoint Annette Mullen as Vice-Chairman, Jim Fuller second the motion, with all in favor.

Barry Schrope made a motion to retain Vicki Jenkins as Secretary/Treasurer, Jim Fuller second the motion, with all in favor.

Jim Fuller made a motion to increase the hourly rate of all full time employees (Vicki Jenkins, Jeff Smith and Dexter Potter) by 3%, Barry Schrope second the motion, with all in favor.

Annette Mullen made a motion to keep the Treasurer bond for Vicki Jenkins at \$500,000, Jim Fuller second the motion, with all in favor.

Barry Schrope made a motion to keep the Recreation Board Treasurer bond for Bob Foltz at \$50,000, Jim Fuller second the motion, with all in favor.

Barry Schrope made a motion to retain Marysville Bank as the depository for township funds, Annette Mullen second the motion, with all in favor.

Jim Fuller made a motion to retain Jeff Smith as Roadmaster, Barry Schrope second the motion, with all in favor.

Barry Schrope made a motion to reappoint Ron Goodhart as Township Vacancy Board Chairman, Jim Fuller second the motion, Annette Mullen opposed stating Ron Goodhart is not involved in the township.

Jim Fuller made a motion to retain Johanna Rehkamp as Township Solicitor, Barry Schrope second the motion, with all in favor. Johanna will be switching law firms and will now be employed by Cunningham & Chernicoff, P.C. There will be no fee increase for 2015; fee to remain at \$175 per meeting up to two hours, \$75/hr. after that.

Jim Fuller made a motion to appoint Jerry Spease as Township Engineer, Annette Mullen second the motion, with all in favor. The 2015 meeting fee will be \$100 per meeting.

Barry Schrope made a motion to reappoint J.C. Smith as Township SEO, Jim Fuller second the motion, with all in favor. There is no increase to the 2015 fee schedule.

Annette Mullen made a motion to reappoint Lenny Sizer of Madden Engineering Services as Alternate SEO, Jim Fuller second the motion, with all in favor.

Barry Schrope made a motion to reappoint Lester Nace as Zoning Officer, Jim Fuller second the motion, with all in favor. Annette Mullen made a motion to increase Lester Nace's hourly rate to \$17.50 per hour, Jim Fuller second the motion, with all in favor.

The Assistant Zoning Officer position was tabled.

Jim Fuller made a motion for Dexter Potter to remain full time laborer, Barry Schrope second the motion, with all in favor.

Jim Fuller made a motion for Barry Schrope and Jim Fuller to be called first if a part time laborer would be needed, Barry Schrope second the motion, with all in favor. The auditors will set Barry and Jim's hourly pay rate as part time employees at their organizational meeting.

Barry Schrope made a motion for the hourly rate of \$12.50 per hour for outside part time laborers without a CDL to remain the same, Jim Fuller second the motion, with all in favor.

Barry Schrope made a motion for the hourly rate of \$14.50 per hour with a CDL for outside part time laborers to remain the same, Jim Fuller second the motion, with all in favor.

Barry Schrope stated all full time employees' vacation, sick and personal days are set by the employee handbook.

Jim Fuller made a motion to pay for mileage at the rate of .575 cents per mile, the 2015 IRS Standard Mileage Rate, Annette Mullen second the motion, with all in favor.

Barry Schrope made a motion to retain Capital Tax Collection Bureau to collect the local earned income taxes, Jim Fuller second the motion, with all in favor.

Jim Fuller made a motion to reappoint Vicki Jenkins as Capital Tax Delegate and Annette Mullen as Capital Tax Alternate, Barry Schrope second the motion, with all in favor.

Jim Fuller made a motion to reappoint Vicki Jenkins as the Chief Executive Officer for the township pension fund, Barry Schrope second the motion, with all in favor.

Jim Fuller made a motion to reappoint Vicki Jenkins as the CDL testing contact person, Barry Schrope second the motion, with all in favor. Jim Fuller made the motion to have all random CDL tests conducted on site when available, Barry Schrope second the motion, with all in favor.

Annette Mullen made a motion to appoint Wayne Russell to a 4-year term on the Planning Commission, Barry Schrope second the motion, with all in favor.

Per the request of Rick Schaar he wishes to not be reappointed to the Zoning Hearing Board. The supervisors stated they will look for someone who would be interested in serving.

Jim Fuller made a motion to reappoint Vicki Jenkins as Zoning Hearing Board secretary, Annette Mullen second the motion, with all in favor. Jim Fuller made a motion for Vicki's hourly rate to remain the same at \$13.69 per hour for the Zoning Hearing Board secretary, Annette Mullen second the motion, with all in favor.

This concludes the reorganizational meeting. The supervisors continued with their regular monthly meeting of the Board of Supervisors.

The minutes of the December 1, 2014 regular meeting and the December 16, 2014 special meeting were presented to the supervisors and posted for attendees in the township building prior to the January 5, 2015 regular meeting for public viewing. Annette Mullen made a motion to approve the December 1, 2014 minutes and the December 16, 2014 minutes as presented by the secretary, Jim Fuller second the motion, with all in favor.

Kurt Hepschmidt, Emergency Management Coordinator stated at the emergency management meeting held on December 17th out of 30 municipalities about only 5 or 6 were represented. Kurt stated they discussed new free software for an Emergency Operations Plan. Kurt stated he would have to approve those who can log in and what they would be allowed to view. Kurt stated there is also a requirement for the township to have a local emergency planning committee, he's looking to have 7 members that could identify and analyze any risk that the township might incur and to identify any available resources that would be needed. Kurt stated he would like to see the committee consist of the 3 supervisors, himself, a Deputy EMC and at least 2 residents. Kurt stated it would probably require a couple of meetings to get things up and running and then once every 2 years when the plan need's revised. The supervisors will help look for a Deputy EMC and some volunteers.

David Mills would like to thank the supervisors for continuing to support the recreation board and recreation in the township. David also states as a member of the township planning commission he feels the planning commission should have been consulted by the supervisors about the change in the Engineer and feels all the work that has been done with the revision for the SALDO and if that is not going to come about Dave feels they have wasted a year on it. Annette Mullen stated it came about because of the last quarterly billings, the addition project and the bridge project at the park. Annette stated the costs kept increasing. Jim Fuller stated the cost of the 4' tile replacement on Linton Hill was \$3,000 in engineering fees. The supervisors stated they believe the planning commission will be pleased with Jerry Spease and that he is easy to work with.

Kraig Nace of the Duncannon EMS are currently compiling there year end numbers and will get them to the supervisors when ready. Kraig also thanked the township for their continuing support.

Bob Rhoades stated he has to agree with what David Mill said.

Jeff Smith presented the road master report for last month. Jeff stated they moved Vicki back into the office, cleaned the garage, took 3 trucks to Hoovers for inspection, they have had 4 nuisance snow storms to take care of, repaired a hydraulic line on the blue dump, repaired the power steering line on the F450, replaced the spinner on the brown dump, took care of some oak trees on Dark Hollow, Jeff stated he had to do a drug test through the CDL program (negative results), trimmed trees

on Sawmill Road, did a speed study on Dark Hollow, Windy Hill and Hunkey Hollow, put up the speed limit signs on Linton Hill and put up the sign for Swain Lane. Jeff stated the chamber has collapsed in the oil furnace and it is not fixable. Jeff stated he received rough prices of \$1600 - \$1700 to self-install. Annette Mullen stated she had a resident from Wheatfield Estates approach her about the signs that are put up about parking on the right-of-way, they say right away. Jeff stated all the signs are like that. The supervisors stated they are all in agreement to purchase a new oil furnace. Jeff also advised Deimler's in changing hands and he is not sure for spring cleanup if the new owner will accept electronics and tv's. Annette stated we could speak to Sally Tengeres about options for electronics and tv's. Jeff stated the road crew has been certified to do speed studies and has completed the speed study for Linton Hill from Rt. 274 to Creek Road, Dark Hollow Road, Hunkey Hollow Road and Windy Hill Road and for it to be enforceable the township would have to pass an ordinance. Jeff stated they did Linton Hill Road and Dark Hollow because they have received complaints from residents about speeding and they did Hunkey Hollow because that was paved last year and Windy Hill will be paved this year. Annette Mullen asked the other supervisors if their goal is to post every road with speed limit signs, Annette stated it is not her goal. Jim Fuller stated he does not think there is anything wrong with posting the roads, that it is better to be proactive with it then to have the people come in and complain about speeders and then the supervisor's state they would have to do a speed study first. Annette asked which roads had complaints. Jeff advised Dark Hollow (between Rt. 274 and Roseglen) and Linton Hill (Mr. Willhide at a previous meeting). Annette stated she does not believe each road needs a speed limit sign on it, in a populated area it would be different, but in an unpopulated area she is not interested in seeing speed limit signs all over Wheatfield Township. Jim Fuller stated an ordinance would have to be done before any signs could be placed. Jeff also asked about the extra chairs that are in the garage, Annette advised she is working on that.

Barry Schrope stated he and Annette Mullen will be attending Duncannon Fire Co. Protection Committee meeting on January 27, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.

Agenda item #9 & #10 – action was taken at the public hearings held at the beginning of the meeting.

The supervisors discussed the correspondence received from Rettew regarding the Windy Hill Tower Removal Estimate for the bonding. The supervisors asked the solicitor to contact Rettew and see if language could be added regarding the inflation issue. Johanna Rehkamp stated language could be added that the estimate could be reviewed upon the request of the supervisors or every 5 years. Johanna stated she believes the tower removal agreement the supervisors signed will protect the township, that this is just an added protection.

Correspondence has been received from CPEC (Central Pennsylvania Energy Consortium) regarding the heating fuel and diesel fuel bid requirement request. The supervisors stated they would just like to bid out the diesel fuel this year and not the heating fuel. Barry Schrope made a motion to just bid for diesel fuel, Annette Mullen second the motion, with all in favor.

The signed recycling contract has been received back agreeing to the terms (renewing on a calendar year basis). The price will remain the same. The supervisors signed the contract. A copy of the signed contract will be forward to Mr. Sylvester.

PSATS has completed the annual Disclosure Statement required by Chapter 7-A of Act 44 of 2009, the Municipal Pension Plan Funding Standard and Recovery Act (copy on file). PSATS has asked the supervisors to review the disclosure statement and if it is adequate adopt the Disclosure Statement and place it in the township's pension file. Barry Schrope made a motion to adopt the Disclosure Statement, Jim Fuller second the motion, with all in favor.

Jim Fuller made a motion to release \$1200 budgeted as a donation to the Duncannon Senior Citizens Center, Barry Schrope second the motion, with all in favor.

Jim Fuller made a motion to release \$500 budgeted as a donation to the New Bloomfield Library, Barry Schrope second the motion, with all in favor.

The State Convention will be held April 19 – 22, 2015 in Hershey. The supervisors asked Jeff Smith to look over the workshops to see what is available.

Statements of Financial Interest for the year 2014 will be distributed when received. They are due back April 1, 2015.

Johanna Rehkamp gave an update on the driveway permit issue on Paradise Road. Johanna advised PennDOT has not been in contact with her since last month when she was told it had to go through another review. Lester Nace advised PennDOT called him in on December 5th and somehow they were interpreting the deed as thinking the township was going to be transferring the deed to Mr. Worthy. Lester advised PennDOT that was not the case and contacted Vicki to fax down a copy of the deed to them and after receiving the correct deed they advised a letter would be sent out within 2 weeks. Johanna stated she would contact PennDOT to get a copy of the letter that was sent to Mr. Worthy.

Barry Schrope stated a payment has been received from Bryce Wysocki for the damage to Pine Hill Road the day the lawsuit was filed. Barry stated they stopped the lawsuit and asked Johanna to send him a letter stating the remaining balance had to be paid in full by January 15, 2015. Johanna stated if payment is not received she will file on the 16th.

Barry Schrope reminded those interested in attending the Perry County Convention to please let Vicki know by January 16th.

Barry Schrope stated Kurt Hepschmidt has been awarded the Basic Certification stating that he has completed the training requirements of the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Services Code, Section 7502. Barry stated that is a great accomplishment for Kurt.

Lester Nace stated the zoning permit for the Wamsley permit has been taken care of and that issue should be done.

Annette Mullen asked where the surveyor (Lyons) for the Wamsley/Conrad/Smith issue stood. Johanna Rehkamp advised all she saw was something online that could be filled out. Johanna advised she would forward the website to Annette. Johanna stated she believes the township can report it to the board and then the board would do a review to see if any action would be taken.

Annette Mullen asked about the landfill issue on Sulphur Springs Road. Lester Nace advised a complaint was received at the township and he was out to the sight and was not able to contact any adult resident at the property. Lester stated there is a

sight out there that appears a landfill has been started (dumping items over the bank and covering with dirt). Lester stated a letter has been sent but there has been no response from the property owner yet.

Jim Fuller stated this month's recycling it was raining and sleeting, but they had lots of help. Jim thanked those who come out each month and help.

Rick Schaar asked why the driveway issue on Paradise Road took so long to get on and take care of. The supervisors advised they have been working on this issue for several months with revoking the permit, but the process has been lengthy. Lester Nace stated the township has been told that the permit is going to be revoked.

The supervisors stated Brenton Horting from Hartman Employee Benefits was to be here at tonight's meeting to discuss the township's health insurance renewal rates (was ill). Barry Schrope advised the township is currently with Geisinger and as of January 1, 2015 will no longer be affiliated with Pinnacle Health. Barry stated Geisinger renewal rates had an increase of 24.64%. Barry stated they have met with Brenton and discussed other carrier rates comparable to what the township currently has and he recommended the Health America Premier PPO 500 plan to be comparable with coverage and cost. Annette Mullen stated after looking at all of the plans the supervisors are pretty much in agreement to go with the Health America plan recommended. Annette stated the Health America Premier PPO 500 plan is a 27.97% increase compared to what is being paid currently. Annette stated the supervisors have discussed starting employee contributions to the premium. Annette stated her suggestion would be for employee coverage \$10 a week pretax, husband and wife coverage \$20 a week pretax and family coverage \$30 a week pretax. Jim Fuller stated he thought it was figured out that the 3% raise would cover the contribution. Annette stated it will cover the employee coverage, but not the spouse or family coverage. Barry Schrope stated he thought the \$10, \$20 and \$30 was a little high, the township could do a \$10, \$15 and \$20 or \$10, \$12.50 and \$15. Annette stated no to go that low would not cover the costs for a family plan. Jim stated he would like to go with the \$10, \$15 and \$20. Annette said what about \$10, \$20 and \$25 to cover the costs. Jim stated we are not going to be able to cover the costs. Barry stated he likes the \$10, \$15 and \$20 to start. Barry stated the other thing Brenton mentioned was a POP Plan that would need to be set up for the pretax deduction. Barry Schrope made a motion to go with the Health America Premier PPO 500 plan, Jim Fuller second the motion, with all in favor. Barry Schrope made a motion to go with the \$10, \$15 and \$20 weekly employee contribution deduction, Jim Fuller second the motion, Annette Mullen opposed stating she would have liked to see the employee contribution cover the costs and the weekly contribution be \$10, \$20 and \$30. Barry stated he will call Brenton to discuss the POP Plan.

Barry Schrope made a motion to approve the checks from the general fund for the month of December. They were as follows:

2492 – 2537, 11-2014, 011-2014, 120814A and 120814B

Jim Fuller 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 9:40 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Vicki L. Jenkins
Twp. Secretary