

**Cumberland Township Board of Supervisors
Minutes of the November 25, 2014 Meeting**

The regular meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chair Underwood. Present were Supervisors: Underwood, Paddock, Toddes, and Ferranto; Manager Ben Thomas, Jr., Solicitor Sam Wiser, Police Chief Don Boehs, Zoning Officer Bill Naugle, Engineer Tim Knoebel and Secretary Carol Merryman. Others present were: Dale Molina, Carolyn Greaney, Barry and Jean Stone, Speros Marinos, Bob Sharrah, Braden Mahley, Riley Hollingsworth, Rich Farr, Carrie Stuart, Norris Flowers and Kimberly Uslin from The Gettysburg Times. Mr. Waybright was absent. The meeting was recorded.

Chair Underwood led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chair Underwood introduced Police Officer Victor Woerner who was recently hired as a part-time police officer and was a Pa. State police officer for 21 years. The Board welcomed Officer Woerner to the Cumberland Township Police Department.

Mr. Ferranto made a motion to approve the Minutes of the October 23 and November 6, 2014 workshops and the October 28, 2014 meeting seconded by Mr. Toddes and carried.

Mr. Toddes made a motion to pay the bills, in the amount of \$144,556.07 from the General Fund, \$54,051.00 from the State Fund and \$4,995.75 from the Escrow Fund seconded by Mr. Paddock and carried.

Engineer/Plans:

Mr. Knoebel reported that the Township has a request from the Harrisburg Area Community College for full release of financial security for their recently completed Parking Lot Addition project and he has prepared a memo dated November 19, 2014 in which he recommends the full release of the bonded amount of \$233,466.20. He added that he does not feel that a maintenance bond is necessary since there is a stormwater maintenance agreement in place that requires future maintenance. Mr. Knoebel did supply the Township with a copy of a letter from the design engineer stating that they are in agreement with the as-built plans. **Mr. Paddock made a motion to release the full amount of financial security, in the amount of \$233,466.20, for the Harrisburg Area Community College – Parking Lot Addition Land Development Plan seconded by Mr. Toddes and carried.** Mr. Ferranto informed the public that these engineer's items were discussed at length at the workshop last Thursday morning and that is why the Board does not have any questions at this time.

Mr. Knoebel also reported that the Harvest Investment - Gettys Point Preliminary Land Development Plan is located at the intersection of Table Rock Road and Boyd's School Road and proposes an assisted living center with 90 units, memory-care building with 42 units and a kitchen/service building. He added that the project will be served with public water and public sewer and they over controlled their stormwater as was discussed at their Conditional Use hearing before the Board. He added that the Township's Planning Commission has recommended approval subject to the comments in Mr. Knoebel's November 11, 2014 memo being addressed. He added that he would have no problem recommending approval also based on the comments being addressed and he added that the recreation fee and sidewalk/pedestrian access comments were discussed at length at the workshop and it was agreed that these two items would be addressed on the Final Plan. Mr. Thomas reported that he just received a letter from Harvest Investment Group, as requested at Thursday morning's workshop, regarding the Park and Rec fees to be addressed at the time of Final Plan approval. **Mr. Toddes made a motion to approve the Gettys Point Preliminary Plan subject to a developer's agreement and contingent upon the comments in Mr.**

Knoebel's November 11, 2014 memo being addressed seconded by Mr. Paddock and carried.

Mr. Knoebel also read an Interim Inspection Report on the Keller Poultry Barns project dated November 20, 2014. The report identified various items that the Keller's need to continue to work on and to get addressed. He added that the Township does hold financial security for completion of the items in the amount of \$140,492.00. He added that a copy of the report went to the property owner.

Public Comment:

Mrs. Jean Stone, 1745 Mummasburg Road, stated that she has been asking since May when these items on the Keller Plan will be completed. Solicitor Wisner stated that action is taken prior to the release of any financial security and there has been no request for release yet. Mr. Knoebel stated that some of the work will be able to be done in the spring and because the second building has not been built yet, some of the work is still under the jurisdiction of the County Conservation District. He added that they would expect them to finish the site work up in conjunction with building the second building and if the second building is not built they will be required to finish the site work as soon as possible in the spring. He added that they will follow up on the riprap apron and that would also have to be done in the spring along with fixing the paved access drive. Solicitor Wisner stated that a developer is given a two year window to complete the improvements. Mr. Knoebel stated that he will contact the Keller's and get them to get the survey discrepancy remedied so they know what they need to do when the time comes to do it. **Mr. Ferranto made a motion to invite Mr. Keller to the January meeting to talk to the Board seconded by Mr. Paddock and carried 3 yeas – 1 nay. Mr. Toddles opposed.**

Mr. Speros Marinos, 912 Baltimore Pike, reported that he had passed the Keller Poultry Barn several times and at one time there was an intense smell. He also reported that the Historical Society meeting is scheduled for December 1, 2014 and Police Chief Boehs will be presenting the history of the Cumberland Township Police Department. He added that the Civil War Preservation Trust has posted the property southwest of his property and there are rumors of other properties across the street being sold and he needs the zoning update to be speeded up. He also thanked the Road Department for the job they do.

Mr. Rich Farr, Executive Director of the York Adams Transportation Authority, along with Carrie Stuart and Norris Flowers, spoke to the Board about the loss of \$1,000.00 funding (local match) in the proposed 2015 Budget and the impact that has on their grant funding from the State and Federal governments. He reported that anytime the local dollars are reduced, the State and Federal dollars are also reduced in a much larger percentage, a total of a \$15,000.00 loss. He added that he will be forced to do a service reduction of \$15,000.00 and this reduction will be to remove the service on Steinwehr Avenue, between Long Lane and Cunningham Road on the Red Line. There was discussion about who contributes and who uses the service. Mr. Thomas stated that he feels that this is very unfair because of the fragmented system that they are forced to work with and it is no one's fault. He recommended that the Board consider putting the additional \$1,000.00 into the 2015 budget and next year to work on getting contributions from the Townships and businesses that currently do not contribute.

Police Report:

Police Chief Don Boehs presented a written and oral report of police activities for the month of October including; 395 complaints, 145 traffic stops, 115 combined arrests, 16 traffic accidents, 12 targeted enforcements and 9,920 patrol miles. He added that they assisted other agencies 17 times and they were assisted four times.

Active Business:

Mr. Thomas reported that requests have been received from Barlow and Greenmount Fire Departments

for reimbursement funding from the Fire Tax. He added that Barlow requested \$11,596.54 and included \$593.21 for office supplies that is not eligible for reimbursement. Greenmount requested \$19,753.93 and included a copy of their five-year Strategic Plan and now have 501C3 status from the Internal Revenue Service. Mr. Thomas recommended that Barlow be reimbursed \$11,003.33 and Greenmount \$7,500.00 as was budgeted. Chair Underwood asked for “fail time” (when they were called and did not go out) for the departments. **Mr. Toddes made a motion to approve the request from Barlow less the office supplies, in the amount of \$11,003.33 seconded by Mr. Ferranto and carried 4 yeas – 0 nays. Mr. Toddes also made a motion to reimburse Greenmount \$7,500.00 seconded by Mr. Ferranto and carried.**

Mr. Thomas also reported that The Grand History Trail is a 250 mile loop bike trail that is about half complete and there will be a portion of the trail going through Cumberland Township. He added that the first step will be to appoint a local committee to begin the review and investigatory process. He added that the Board has two residents interested; Jim Paddock and Dennis Hickethier. The Board decided to make their appointments at the Reorganization Meeting.

Mr. Thomas reported that the Township has a request from St. Francis Xavier for “School Zone” signs to be placed on Table Rock Road. He added that the Board would have to authorize a letter to go to Pa Dept. of Transportation (PennDOT) and they would do the traffic study and approve the signage. St. Francis will have to agree to pay for the cost of the signs. **Mr. Ferranto made a motion to authorize the Manager to send a letter to PennDOT requesting “School Zone” signs for St. Francis seconded by Mr. Paddock and carried.**

Mr. Toddes made a motion to authorize the sale of the surplus police vehicle on December 4, 2014 subject to the highest bid exceeding the minimum bid requirement seconded by Mr. Paddock and carried.

Mr. Paddock made a motion seconded by Mr. Ferranto and carried to approve the request from Cohen Law Group to review, at no charge, the cable franchise agreement that they wrote about seven years ago and other wireless matters.

Mr. Thomas added an item to the agenda reporting that the Township has just received a Zoning Map change application from Oak Lawn Memorial Gardens and the Township is under a time-frame to have this reviewed by the Board. He added that the application is already being submitted to the Adams County Planning Commission and they have until December 26, 2014 to respond and it will appear on the Township Planning Commission’s agenda on January 8, 2015. He added that the Board must conduct a public hearing between January 12 and January 15, 2015. The public hearing was scheduled for Monday, January 12, 2015 at 6:00 p.m.

Solicitor: No report

Committee Reports and comments from Board Members:

Chair Underwood reported that the Finance Committee is recommending a security camera upgrade for the entire Township “campus.” She added that this will appear on December’s agenda and the billing will not be received until 2015.

Chair Underwood also reported that they have discussed getting ten new chairs for the Board meeting room at a cost of \$1,234.00. She added that we can order them now and they will be billed later. **Mr. Toddes made a motion to approve the purchase of new chairs seconded by Mr. Paddock and carried.**

Chair Underwood also reported that the Old Mill Road project was completed today, but the road will

remain closed until the shoulder work is done.

Chair Underwood reported that the upgrades to the Police Supervisors' offices are scheduled for the week of December 15th and we will be billed in 2015 at the 2014 prices. She asked for the Board's approval and stated that this was budgeted. **Mr. Toddles made a motion to approve the upgrades to the Police Supervisors' offices seconded by Mr. Paddock and carried.**

Mr. Paddock reported that there will be a Joint Comprehensive Plan meeting next Tuesday, December 2, 2014 at the Ag Center.

Mr. Ferranto reported that the Township may have a chance to get a representative appointed to the Gettysburg Municipal Authority Board for 2015.

Staff Reports:

The Zoning Officer and Assistant Secretary's reports were reviewed.

All votes were unanimous unless otherwise noted. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Carol A. Merryman, Secretary

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