

TILDEN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Saturday, March 3, 2012
Regular Meeting

The Tilden Township Board of Supervisors met in the Township Municipal Building with the following present: Supervisors Gene Schappell, Russell Werley and Judy Romig, Township Secretary, Cheryl Haus, Township Solicitor, James Lillis and several citizens. A copy of the roster is on file with the secretary.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Russell Werley, at 8:05 A.M. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

AN EXECUTIVE SESSION WAS HELD FRIDAY, MARCH 2, 2012 BEFORE THE WORKSHOP REGARDING EMPLOYEES.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION -

Dale Stoudt of 437 Hill Drive said he would like to see more information on the police report, regarding police expenses, budget, gas, overtime, etc., than is given by Chief McEllroy at the meeting. Mr. Stoudt is welcome to stop in the office and see the full police report. Mr. Stoudt also said he considers the appointment of Planning Commission secretary, Anna Shollenberger, to also be a member of the Planning Commission, a conflict of interest (holding 2 positions at one time)

PAYMENT OF BILLS

A motion was made by Judy Romig and seconded by Gene Schappell to pay the following bills:

General Fund - Ck# 17561-17598 in the amount of \$37,507.38
Auto deductions in the amount of \$228.38
Payroll - Ck# 11935-11961 in the amount of \$18,806.35
ACH & EFTPS Transfers (Fed & State taxes) \$6,888.19
Cabela's Traffic Light - Auto deduction in the amount of \$18.02
Sewer Fund - Ck# 2478-242485 in the amount of \$54,021.28
Auto deductions in the amount of \$657.02
TIP Traffic Light - Auto deductions in the amount of \$118.36
Building & Zoning Ck # 142 in the amount of \$2,889.28
Park & Recreation Ck # 362 in the amount of \$30,600.00
Tilden Ridge Traffic Lights - Auto deduction in the amount of \$42.01
Upon roll call, Werley, Schappell and Romig voted yes.

DEBT SERVICE

Building - \$832,000.00
Tilden Collection System - \$4,704,000.00
HMA sewer expansion - \$2,751,517.01

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Gene Schappell and seconded by Judy Romig to approve the February 3 workshop minutes and the February 4, 2012 Regular minutes. Upon roll call, Romig, Schappell and Werley voted yes.

REPORT - POLICE

The report for February, 2012 was given by Chief McEllroy. 51 shifts were covered, 408 hours were worked, 1,686 miles were put on vehicles and

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189.96 gallons of fuel were used. (Additional information is available on the Police Report). Arrests have been made in the thefts at the Kernsville Dam. Plans are being made for the installation of the patrol rifles. Purchase of the new radios is underway with Berks Co.

REPORT - SOLICITOR

A motion was made by Judy Romig and seconded by Gene Schappell to adopt Ordinance # 208, 2012;

AN ORDINANCE OF TILDEN TOWNSHIP AMENDING SECTION 302, ENTITLED "REVISIONS TO FIRE PREVENTION CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF TILDEN", OF PART 3 ENTITLED "FIRE PREVENTION CODE" OF CHAPTER IX, ENTITLED "FIRE PREVENTION AND FIRE PROTECTION" TO ELIMINATE THE ANNUAL INSPECTION REQUIREMENT FOR NONREQUIRED FIRE PROTECTION SYSTEMS AND EQUIPMENT AND THE SEMI-ANNUAL INSPECTION REQUIREMENT FOR HAZARDOUS USES; AND REPEALING ANY AND ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP IN CONFLICT THEREWITH.
UPON ROLL CALL, ROMIG, SCHAPPELL AND WERLEY VOTED YES.

A motion was made by Russ Werley and seconded by Judy Romig to authorize the advertisement, etc. of the Floodplain Ordinance (as required by FEMA) for adoption at the April 7, 2012 meeting. Upon roll call, Werley, Romig and Schappell voted yes.

REPORT - ZONING/SEO

Zoning / Building reports for February 2012 were received.

A motion was made by Gene Schappell and seconded by Judy Romig for Resolution #10, 2012 to set the fee for Wood-Fired Boiler inspections at a rate of \$95.00 for the first inspection and \$45.00 per ½ hour for additional inspections. Upon roll call, Schappell, Romig and Werley voted yes.

REPORT - DRIVEWAY/ROADMASTER

The Report for February, 2012 was received.

A motion was made by Russ Werley and seconded by Gene Schappell to approve the PennDOT mowing contract for 1-1-2012 to 12-31-2014. Upon roll call, Werley, Schappell and Romig voted yes.

REPORT-SECRETARY

The secretary's report for February, 2012 was given by Cheryl Haus. The secretary gave a presentation to the HAHS Environmental 3 classes of Ms. Bucheit on February 6, 2012 regarding the structure of government, ordinances, budgets and agendas.

The secretary contacted Berks County regarding the construction of the Berne Bridge. Construction is still planned for late 2012 with substantial completion by late 2013.

PennDOT was contacted regarding the letters received by the Township concerning the bidding project on Hex Highway and Maple Drive. The

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project will be the tarring and chipping of these roads. Bidding is supposed to take place in May with work commencing July or August. 2011 budget figures have been finalized and the secretary wanted to thank the police department and the road crew for cutting back and staying within their budget.

Information was received regarding the retention pond and "rain garden" at Freedom Hyundai which will use the pile of dirt that has been on their property.

The Application for Act 537 Sewage Facilities Planning Assistance was completed for reimbursement of ½ of the costs of the Revision required for the mobile home parl. The amount requested is \$43,036.05.

Statewide Tax Recovery returned a list of 340 per capita bills as non-collectable, dating from 1994-1999, totaling \$2,020.00

The secretary will return the proxies for the workers compensation and liability insurance since no one will be attending the meeting.

Use of a muzzleloader for a few shots during the 125th Celebration will not be disobeying any township or state ordinance / laws.

A motion was made by Judy Romig and seconded by Gene Schappell to allow the secretary 2 weeks off, without pay, from Thursday, July 26 to Wednesday, August 15. Upon roll call, Schappell, Romig and Werley voted yes.

REPORT - PARK & RECREATION

A motion was made by Russ Werley and seconded by Judy Romig for Resolution # 9, 2012 to approve the application and setting forth regulations and procedures for pavilion and refreshment stand rentals and use. Upon roll call, Werley, Romig and Schappell voted yes.

REPORT - OLD BUSINESS

Supervisor Werley stated that the traffic light @ Route 61 and Lowland Road now runs through the complete cycle even though there is no one at the light on Lowland Road. The secretary will contact Telco.

REPORT - SUBDIVISIONS / LAND DEVELOPMENT**REPORT - NEW BUSINESS**

A motion was made by Gene Schappell and seconded by Judy Romig to approve the request from the Hamburg Jaycees to set off fire works on Memorial Day on the A.R. Adams property, upon providing Tilden Township with a copy of their insurance. Upon roll call, Schappell, Romig and Werley voted yes.

A motion was made by Russ Werley and seconded by Gene Schappell for Resolution # 11, 2012 "Prevailing Wage Reform Resolution" to urge the General Assembly to support and pass House Bills 1329 and 1685, increasing the current \$25,000.00 limit to \$185,000.00. Upon roll call, Werley, Schappell and Romig voted yes.

The letter from Berks County Department of Emergency Services regarding the Promissory Note and Security Agreement was tabled, since it was only

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received on March 1, 2012 and neither the Board nor the Solicitor had a chance to review it.

MISCELLANEOUS CORRESPONDENCE was available with the Secretary as well as minutes and reports of all Boards in Tilden Township.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Gene Schappell and seconded by Judy Romig to adjourn the meeting at 8:51 A.M. Upon roll call, Werley, Romig and Schappell voted yes.

ATTEST:

Cheryl A. Haus
Secretary