

TILDEN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Thursday, June 13, 2013
Regular Meeting

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

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Russell Werley, at 7:01 P.M. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Sam Moseman, of 60 Berne Road, discussed with the Board, an Eagle Scout Project, of installation of two flagpoles @ the James Rhoades Riverside Memorial Park. Mr. Moseman will bring a plan to the Board.

Anna Shollenberger, speaking on behalf of the Tilden Township Historical Society, asked Attorney Lillis if the Historical Society would be allowed to ask members of the public for a donation to defray the cost of any speakers they may have. Attorney Lillis said there would not be a problem with that. The Historical Society will have a speaker from the PA Game Commission on September 26, 2013 @ 7:00 p.m.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

A motion was made by Gene Schappell and seconded by Carl Spatz to pay the following bills:

General Fund - Ck# 18123-18161 in the amount of \$41,455.55
 Auto deductions in the amount of \$1,351.80
 Payroll - Ck# 12343-12375 in the amount of \$34,074.23
 ACH & EFTPS Transfers (Fed & State taxes) \$15,011.46
 Cabela's Traffic Light - Auto deductions in the amount of \$56.90
 Ck # 2018 in the amount of \$61.50
 Sewer Fund - Ck# 2591-2602 in the amount of \$24,155.71
 Auto deductions in the amount of \$693.77
 TIP Traffic Light - Auto deductions in the amount of \$34.79
 TIP Street Light - Auto deductions in the amount of \$684.12
 Building & Zoning Ck # 163 in the amount of \$14,962.27
 West Hamburg Street Light - Auto deduction in the amount of \$255.49
 Tilden Ridge Traffic Light - Auto deductions in the amount of \$93.22
 Red Robin Escrow - Auto deduction in the amount of \$565.00
 Highway - State Fund - Wire transfer in the amount of \$16,488.75
 Upon roll call, Spatz, Schappell and Werley voted yes.

DEBT SERVICE

Building - \$770,300.00
 Tilden Collection System - \$4,675,100.00
 HMA sewer expansion - \$4,702,637.22
 Park & Recreation owes Sovereign Grant \$42,637.49

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Russ Werley and seconded by Gene Schappell to approve the May 9, 2013 Regular meeting minutes and the May 3, 2013 workshop minutes. Upon roll call, Spatz, Schappell and Werley voted yes.

REPORT - POLICE

The report for May, 2013 was given by Chief McEllroy. 94 incidents were handled, 1,851 miles were put on vehicles and 147 gallons of fuel were used. A motion was made by Gene Schappell and seconded by Carl Spatz to order, with approximately a two month delivery, a 2014 Ford Interceptor sedan to replace the 2003 Crown Victoria, from Manderbach Ford on the CoSTARS program, in an amount to be no higher than \$37,434.40, including the car, equipment and installation and decals, to be paid from the Capital Reserve Police Vehicle Fund. Upon roll call, Schappell, Spatz and Werley voted yes.

REPORT - SOLICITOR

A motion for Resolution # 10, 2013 was made by Russ Werley and seconded by Carl Spatz, to adopt the Hazard Vulnerability Assessment and Mitigation Plan of Berks County to update the mitigation plan for the Township of Tilden. Upon roll call, Werley, Spatz and Schappell voted yes.

REPORT - ZONING/SEO

The Report for May, 2013 was received

REPORT - DRIVEWAY/ROADMASTER

The Report for May, 2013 was received.

A motion was made by Russ Werley and seconded by Gene Schappell to award the 2013 Road Project as: using Liquid Fuels money to patch various roads, use sewer money to pave portions of Hill Drive due to the Hill Drive Sanitary Sewer Project, and use Tilden Ridge Traffic Impact Fee money to widen Laurel Avenue and the intersection of Laurel Avenue and Pine Road, widen and pave Lowland Road from the point where developers of Tilden Ridge stopped paving to Mountain Road, and Jetson Drive, to Reading Materials, Inc. in the amount of \$245,722.45. Upon roll call, Spatz, Schappell and Werley voted yes.

REPORT-SECRETARY

The secretary's report For May, 2013 was given by Cheryl Haus.

The secretary talked with Berks County officials regarding the plaque and rock at the Berne Bridge. The response was, since there will be no remnant of the original bridge, the County is not for incorporating the plaque / rock into the new Berne Bridge. They think it would be better to use the plaque as part of a display documenting the original bridge in photos. The secretary attended the Comcast Franchise meeting @ Upper Tulpehocken on May 14. Discussion included items for renewal-ten participating municipalities, public meetings that need to be held, cable only-not on internet or phone, Agreement for 10 years, free cable and internet services to township office, and 5% franchise fees.

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The secretary attended the "new" Berks County Secretaries Association meeting on June 12, 2013

The secretary met with Phil Harmon regarding pension plans

REPORT - PARK & RECREATION

REPORT - OLD BUSINESS

REPORT - SUBDIVISIONS / LAND DEVELOPMENT

REPORT - NEW BUSINESS

A motion was made by Russ Werley and seconded by Carl Spatz to approve 2012 LST tax refunds to Ellyn White and Michael Strauss. Upon roll call, Werley, Schappell and Spatz voted yes.

A motion was made by Russ Werley and seconded by Gene Schappell to cancel the July 5, 2013 workshop due to the July 4, 2013 holiday. The July meeting will be held as scheduled, on July 11, 2013. Upon roll call, Werley, Schappell and Spatz voted yes.

A motion was made by Russ Werley and seconded by Carl Spatz to continue the term of William Byassee on the Planning Commission, for another 4 year term until 1-1-2017. Upon roll call, Werley, Spatz and Schappell voted yes.

A discussion was held by the Board, requested by the Zoning Officer, for guidance, regarding temporary flag banners that are appearing in the Township. The Tilden Township Zoning Ordinance does not allow for these banners. The Board decided to allow one (1) banner per property (banner must be on site of the owner), until further notice while the Board solicits input for a possible amendment to the Zoning Ordinance. This banner must not impede into public rights-of-way.

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 Carl Spatz to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 P.M. Upon roll call, Werley, Spatz and Schappell voted yes.

ATTEST:

Cheryl A. Haus
Secretary