

TILDEN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Thursday, September 12, 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 7:02 P.M. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

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

General Fund - Ck# 18219-18255 in the amount of \$21,684.44
 Auto deductions in the amount of \$1,576.15
 Wire Transfer to pay TIF \$6,253.96
 Payroll - Ck# 12433-12455 in the amount of \$19,291.24
 ACH & EFTPS Transfers (Fed & State taxes) \$7,827.36
 Cabela's Traffic Light - Auto deductions in the amount of \$57.65
 Ck # 2019 in the amount of \$39.00
 Sewer Fund - Ck# 2617-2623 in the amount of \$152,463.40
 Auto deductions in the amount of \$308.86
 TIP Traffic Light - Auto deductions in the amount of \$45.47
 TIP Street Light - Auto deductions in the amount of \$622.07
 Tilden Ridge Traffic Light - Auto deductions in the amount of \$85.83
 West Hamburg Street Light - Auto deduction in the amount of \$211.16
 Building & Zoning Ck # 166 in the amount of \$10,630.54
 Fire Tax - Ck # 107 & 108 in the amount of \$45,000.00
 Highway / State Fund - Ck # 102 in the amount of \$122,244.44
 Traffic Impact Fee - Ck # 1001 in the amount of \$ 75,762.35
 Capital Reserve Township Vehicles - Cashiers check in the amount of 3,420.00

Upon roll call, Spatz, Schappell and Werley voted yes.

DEBT SERVICE

Building - \$753,900.00
 Tilden Collection System - \$4,675,100.00
 HMA sewer expansion - \$4,578,011.02
 Park & Recreation owes Sovereign Grant \$42,637.49

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Russ Werley and seconded by Gene Schappell to approve the August 8, 2013 regular meeting minutes and the workshop minutes of August 2, 2013. Upon roll call, Spatz, Schappell and Werley voted yes.

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REPORT - POLICE

The report for August, 2013 was given by Chief McEllroy. 94 incidents were handled, 1,836 miles were put on vehicles and 167.4 gallons of fuel were used.

The new patrol vehicle was picked up September 9, 2013. Radio Maintenance needs to install the radio equipment and the decals need to be applied. The vehicle is expected to be road ready in 3-4 weeks.

REPORT - SOLICITOR

REPORT - ZONING/SEO

The Report for August, 2013 was received

REPORT - DRIVEWAY/ROADMASTER

The Report for August, 2013 was received.
Joe Jurgielewicz & Son, Ltd. had the highest bid for the 1985 International Dump Truck in the amount of \$2,500.00

REPORT-SECRETARY

The secretary's report For August, 2013 was given by Cheryl Haus. The secretary attended the Municipal Secretary's Association meeting on August 14, 2013. Discussion was on advertising
The Road Crew got the "rock" from the Berne Bridge site. The plaque on the bridge will need to wait until the barricades are removed as they cannot get close enough to take the plaque off the bridge.
The secretary met with Phil Harmon to discuss the Tilden Pension Plan. A summary of the fund was given to the Board.

REPORT - PARK & RECREATION

The Park & Recreation meeting scheduled for September 18, 2013 was cancelled due to lack of items to discuss.
Volunteers and needed items were discussed for the dugouts.
Dale Stoudt of 437 Hill Drive brought items to the Board that he had concerns with.
1. Diamondtex 2. Dumpster 3. Water problem behind the home plate fence 4. Dugouts

REPORT - OLD BUSINESS

REPORT - SUBDIVISIONS / LAND DEVELOPMENT

REPORT - NEW BUSINESS

A motion was made by Russ Werley and seconded by Carl Spatz to approve the 2014 MMO for the Non-Uniformed Pension Fund in the amount of \$35,200.18. Upon roll call, Werley, Spatz and Schappell voted yes.

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A motion was made by Russ Werley and seconded by Gene Schappell to approve the 2014 MMO for the Police Pension Fund in the amount of \$23,067.50. Upon roll call, Werley, Schappell and Spatz voted yes.

A motion was made by Carl Spatz and seconded by Gene Schappell to approve the Cabela's refund for 2011, 2012 and 2013, due to Assessment changes. A real estate tax refund in the amount of \$3,038.72 will be taken from the General Fund and a fire tax refund in the amount of \$1,009.51 will be taken from the Fire Tax Fund. Upon roll call, Spatz, Schappell and Werley voted yes.

A motion was made by Russ Werley and seconded by Carl Spatz to approve a refund in the amount of \$305.00 for Anthony & Sylvan Pools for a cancelled job @ 1328 Hex Highway. Upon roll call Werley, Spatz and Schappell voted yes.

The adjustment to EDU's and tapping fees for the Tilden Elementary school was again tabled.

The meeting was recessed @ 7:30 to hold a hearing for the Comcast Franchise Agreement.

The meeting was reconvened @ 7:43.

A motion was made by Russ Werley and seconded by Carl Spatz to terminate the Building and Zoning Agreement with Alfred Benesch & Company and to appoint BIU as Building and Zoning Officials, effective September 22, 2013, subject to the Solicitor reviewing the Agreement with BIU. Upon roll call, Werley, Spatz and Schappell voted yes.

Discussion continued on items of concern with the Park.

Fred Herman of 10 Berne Road asked about the August 18, 2013 article in the Reading Eagle regarding Pension Plans in Berks County. It was explained that the items in the article were as of January 1, 2011 and that the Township caught up after the error in calculations was detected.

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 8:34 P.M. Upon roll call, Werley, Spatz and Schappell voted yes.

ATTEST:

Cheryl A. Haus,
Secretary