

**TILDEN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

Monday, February 17, 2014  
Regular Meeting

The Tilden Township Board of Supervisors met in the Township Municipal Building with the following present: Supervisors Gene Schappell, Fred Herman and Carl Spatz, Township Secretary, Cheryl Haus, Police Chief Bill McEllroy, 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 Gene Schappell, at 7:00 P.M. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman Schappell announced that an Executive Session was held on Thursday, January 30, 2014 to discuss personnel.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION -**

Dale Stoudt of 437 Hill Drive stated he was disappointed in the appointment of Carl Spatz, Jr. as Township Supervisor. Supervisor Gene Schappell stated he and Supervisor Herman were charged to appoint the best candidate, 6 residents submitted resumes, all were interviewed and all were asked the same questions. Carl Spatz Jr was chosen.

Supervisor Herman said he struggled with the issue and he felt that he and Supervisor Schappell did a thorough job rating everybody fairly. He felt that the bottom line was that Carl Spatz was the best choice to maintain the operational efficiency of the township at the highest level at this point in time.

Mr. Stoudt added that he thought, on some snow falls, the road crew did a good job and asked about the situation on salt.

**PAYMENT OF BILLS**

**A motion was made by Carl Spatz and seconded by Fred Herman to pay the following bills:**

**General Fund - Ck# 18390-18437 in the amount of \$47,597.63**

**Auto deductions in the amount of \$1,355.27**

**Payroll - Ck# 12569-12598 in the amount of \$20,920.76**

**ACH & EFTPS Transfers (Fed & State taxes) \$8,337.03**

**Ck # 12586 VOID**

**Cabela's Traffic Light Fund - auto deductions in the amount of \$41.67**

**Sewer Fund - Ck# 2651-2656 in the amount of \$75,577.22**

**Auto deductions in the amount of \$278.67**

**TIP Street Light - Auto deductions in the amount of \$622.26**

**West Hamburg Street Lt Fund - Auto deduction in the amount of \$203.89**

**Building & Zoning Ck # 173 in the amount of \$ 1,359.80**

**Tilden Ridge Traffic Light - Auto deductions in the amount of \$150.89**

**Historical Society - Check # 106 in the amount of \$250.00**

**Stormwater Fund - Ck # 108 in the amount of \$2,439.50**

**Highway / State Fund - Ck # 103 in the amount of \$16,222.70**

**Upon roll call, Schappell, Spatz and Herman voted yes.**

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DEBT SERVICE

Building - \$721,300.00  
Tilden Collection System - \$3,551,210.00  
HMA sewer expansion - \$4,522,227.87  
Park & Recreation owes Sovereign Grant - \$32,637.49

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A motion was made by Fred Herman and seconded by Gene Schappell to approve the January 3, 2014 Workshop minutes, the January 6, 2014 Re-organization and regular minutes and the Special meeting minutes of January 21, 2014. Upon roll call, Herman, Spatz and Schappell voted yes.

**REPORT - POLICE**

The report for January, 2014 was given by Chief McEllroy. 98 incidents were handled, 1,607 miles were put on vehicles and 141.68 gallons of fuel were used. Chief McEllroy met with newly elected Supervisor Fred Herman on January 20, 2014 to show Mr. Herman the way the police department works. Chief McEllroy said he wanted to commend Road Master Mike Quick and his employees for the good job they did on the roads and the help that they give the police during accidents. Relations between the road department and the police department have been improved upon.

**REPORT - SOLICITOR**

A motion was made by Carl Spatz and seconded by Gene Schappell to approve, ratify and confirm termination of an employee, as recommended by the Township Manager in her letter of January 31, 2014. Upon roll call, Spatz, Schappell and Herman voted yes.

A motion was made by Gene Schappell and seconded by Fred Herman to approve the System User Agreement between the county and the Township for the new county radios. We agree to use their protocol for their system, when using the new radios. The Board approves the Agreement for the police radios and the EMS radios. The Fire Company will sign their own System User Agreement. Upon roll call, Schappell, Herman and Spatz voted yes.

A motion was made by Fred Herman and seconded by Gene Schappell to approve a 20 foot Easement Agreement (to install and maintain the sewage system on the remaining properties on West State Street), with Mr. Frank Perano, to run the sewage easement to the South (rear) of the West State Street properties. Conditions are that we will not use Mr. Perano's developmental area and we will not interfere with the 500 foot buffer area between Mr. Perano's property and the West State Street properties. Upon roll call, Herman, Schappell and Spatz voted yes.

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**REPORT - ZONING/SEO**

The Report for January, 2014 was received

**REPORT - DRIVEWAY/ROADMASTER**

The Report for January, 2014 was received.  
Supervisor Schappell, on behalf of the residents of the township and the Board of Supervisors, thanked Roadmaster Mike Quick and his crew for a job well done on the roads both day and night.

**REPORT-SECRETARY**

The secretary's report for January, 2014 was given by Cheryl Haus. 2013 audit has been completed. The report will be forwarded. End of the year reports have been completed. Attended the BCCPC quarterly meeting. Main topic was road salt. Also, they are collecting data on ammunition cooperative purchasing. There are 250 tons of salt ordered. The secretary will call for delivery dates. Dale Stoudt questioned the use of sand for roads. Road Master Quick responded that Tilden Township does not have the capability to keep it as dry as it needs to be. **A motion was made by Fred Herman and seconded by Carl Spatz to approve the secretary's vacation and time off without pay for April 26 to May 12 and October 14 to 30, 2014. Upon roll call, Herman, Spatz and Schappell voted yes.**

**A motion was made by Fred Herman and seconded by Carl Spatz to increase the annual donation to Berks County Conservancy from \$15.00 to \$25.00. Upon roll call, Herman, Schappell and Spatz voted yes.**

**REPORT - PARK & RECREATION**

Dale Stoudt stated grass seed and fertilizer need to be applied. He will get pricing. Dale Stoudt asked about rubber versus mulch for the playground. Dale Stoudt asked about increasing the rental fees for the pavilion and concession stand. The February 19, 2014 Park & Recreation meeting will be cancelled.

**REPORT - OLD BUSINESS**

**REPORT - SUBDIVISIONS / LAND DEVELOPMENT**

**A motion was made by Carl Spatz and seconded by Gene Schappell to Re-Approve the Gougler subdivision due to the 90 expiration for recording. Upon roll call, Spatz, Schappell and Herman voted yes.**

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**REPORT - NEW BUSINESS**

A motion was made by Fred Herman and seconded by Gene Schappell to approve the Blue Mountain Wildlife 2014 Northern Berks QUAD Games to be held on Sunday, July 27, 2014 and Sunday, September 28, 2014. Upon roll call, Herman, Schappell and Spatz voted yes.

A motion was made by Gene Schappell and seconded by Carl Spatz, to authorize Chief McEllroy to notify the fire police to help with traffic control, etc. Upon roll call, Schappell, Spatz and Herman voted yes.

A motion was made by Fred Herman and seconded by Carl Spatz to amend both of the above motions to include closing of the following roads including intersections, as requested:

July 27, 2014 between the hours of 8:45 and 11:00 a.m.

Mountain Road between Stone Road and Pine Road

Pine Road between Mountain Road and Academy Road

Academy Road between Pine Road and Windy Road

Windy Road between Academy Road and Mountain View Drive

Mountain View Drive between Windy Road and Stone Road

September 28, 2014 between the hours of 8:45 and 11:00 am

Clayton Avenue between Old US 22 and Pine Road

North-bound Pine Road between Sholly Drive and Clayton Avenue

Moonlight Drive

Sunset Drive

Rainbow Drive

Sunrise Drive

Intersections:

Pine Road/Academy Road

Mountain Road/Mountain View Drive

Academy Road/Walnut Road

Mountain Road/Rocktown Road

Academy Road/Windy Road

Mountain Road/Pine Road

Windy Road/Mountain View Drive

Pine Road/Laurel Avenue

Mountain View Drive/Tilden Road

Clayton Avenue/Yoder Street

Tilden Road/Mountain Road

Clayton Avenue/Kathryn Street

Mountain Road/Stone Road

Clayton Avenue/Moonlight Drive

Mountain Road/Woodland Terrace

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

PennDOT representative Neal Moyer will be asked to come to the workshop on March 7, 2014 to discuss the renewal of the Agility Agreement with PennDOT.

A motion was made by Carl Spatz and seconded by Fred Herman for tapping fee adjustments for Cigars International in the amount of \$9,139.41, Freedom Hyundai in the amount of \$304.38 and Red Robin in the amount of \$11,934.90. Upon roll call, Spatz, Herman and Schappell voted yes.

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A motion was made by Fred Herman and seconded by Gene Schappell to authorize the Board and staff to organize activities, with representatives of Blue Mountain Wildlife, for an Earth Day Clean-up in Tilden Township, on April 19, 2014. Upon roll call, Herman, Schappell and Spatz voted yes.

**MISCELLANEOUS CORRESPONDENCE** is available as well as minutes and reports of all Boards in Tilden Township. Please contact the secretary.

**ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Carl Spatz and seconded by Fred Herman to adjourn the meeting on @ 9:15 P.M. Upon roll call, Schappell, Spatz and Herman voted yes.

ATTEST:

Cheryl A. Haus  
Secretary