

TILDEN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Thursday, March 13, 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, Chad Lubas 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 7:03 P.M. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION -

PAYMENT OF BILLS

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

General Fund - Ck# 18438-18473 in the amount of \$39,367.73
Auto deductions in the amount of \$2,480.82
Payroll - Ck# 12599-12627 in the amount of \$21,906.16
ACH & EFTPS Transfers (Fed & State taxes) \$8,223.97
Cabela's Traffic Light Fund - auto deductions in the amount of \$45.38
Sewer Fund - Ck# 2657-2660 in the amount of \$3,237.06
Auto deductions in the amount of \$714.46
TIP Traffic Light - Auto deductions in the amount of \$62.90
TIP Street Light - Auto deductions in the amount of \$590.91
West Hamburg Street Lt Fund - Auto deduction in the amount of \$69.70
Building & Zoning Ck # 174 in the amount of \$ 1,175.71
Tilden Ridge Traffic Light - Auto deductions in the amount of \$71.31
Historical Society - Check # 107 in the amount of \$26.49
Stormwater Fund - Ck # 109 in the amount of \$787.50
Highway / State Fund - Ck # 103 in the amount of \$16,222.70

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

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 Carl Spatz and seconded by Fred Herman to approve the February 7, 2014 Workshop minutes and the February 13, 2014 regular meeting minutes. Upon roll call, Herman, Spatz and Schappell voted yes.

A motion was made by Gene Schappell and seconded by Fred Herman to employ Carl Spatz, Jr. as an equipment operator, general foreman, or in any general work as required in the maintenance of township roads, buildings, equipment and property. Upon roll call, Schappell, Herman and Spatz voted yes.

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REPORT - POLICE

The report for February, 2014 was given by Chief McEllroy. 83 incidents were handled, 1,133 miles were put on vehicles and 107.2 gallons of fuel were used. Officer Peter Witman and Chief McEllroy attended a free training on criminal drug interdiction.

A letter was read by Supervisor Schappell, from township resident Craig Kleinsmith, expressing his appreciation and gratitude to Officer Witman on his response, assistance and support during Mr. Kleinsmith's medical emergency.

REPORT - SOLICITOR

A motion for Resolution # 10, 2014, to set procedures, disclosures, etc. regarding how professional services contracts are chosen for the Township's Pension Plans in order to comply with Act 44 of 2009, was made by Carl Spatz and seconded by Fred Herman. Upon roll call, Spatz, Herman and Schappell voted yes.

A motion was made by Gene Schappell and seconded by Fred Herman to authorize advertisement for proposals for the Tilden Township Non-Uniformed Pension Plan. Upon roll call, Schappell, Herman and Spatz voted yes.

A motion to adopt Ordinance # 215, 2014, authorizing execution of a cable franchise Agreement between Tilden Township and Comcast cable and authorizing advertising, was made by Fred Herman and seconded by Gene Schappell. Upon roll call, Herman, Schappell and Spatz voted yes.

REPORT - ZONING/SEO

The Report for February, 2014 was received

REPORT - DRIVEWAY/ROADMASTER

The Report for February, 2014 was received.

Mike Quick, Roadmaster stated that 397 man hours were worked in February due to winter weather.

Supervisor Schappell read a letter from the resident of 10 Lincoln Drive thanking the road crew for their work.

REPORT-SECRETARY

The secretary's report for February, 2014 was given by Cheryl Haus. The Berks County Municipal Secretary's meeting was attended on February 12, 2014. The topic was the Right-To-Know and Sunshine Laws. Representative Knowles used the meeting room on February 24, 2014 for a Representative Committee Hearing on Education.

As per the recently passed Transportation Funding bill, our Liquid Fuels monies increased to \$135,367.93 in 2014 from \$125,666.00 in 2013.

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REPORT - PARK & RECREATION

A motion was made by Fred Herman and seconded by Carl Spatz to appoint new members, Carl Spatz, Russ Werley, Gene Schappell and Mike Quick to the Park & Recreation Board. Cheryl Haus was appointed secretary. Upon roll call, Herman, Spatz and Schappell voted yes.

REPORT - OLD BUSINESS

Supervisor Herman asked about letters regarding sewer capacity to Freedom Hyundai, Cigars International and Red Robin. The secretary stated she has not received any responses.

REPORT - SUBDIVISIONS / LAND DEVELOPMENT

REPORT - NEW BUSINESS

A motion for Resolution # 9, 2014 to renew the Agility Agreement with PennDOT was made by Gene Schappell and seconded by Fred Herman. Upon roll call, Schappell, Herman and Spatz voted yes.

A motion for Resolution # 11, 2014 to dispose of records for 2005 and 2006, as attached, was made by Carl Spatz and seconded by Gene Schappell. Upon roll call, Spatz, Schappell and Herman voted yes.

A motion for Resolution # 12, 2014 to allow direct deposit of employee paychecks, with costs of \$9.95 per month and \$.15 for each transaction, was made by Fred Herman and seconded by Gene Schappell. Upon roll call, Herman, Schappell and Spatz voted yes.

A Letter of Support will be sent to Mr. Jeff Stouffer of the United States Department of Agriculture, on behalf of the Hamburg Fire Company, for a Fire Company loan to build a new Fire Station on a portion of the Field House parking lot.

The meeting was recessed @ 7:27 p.m. for the hearing on the proposed zoning changes.

The meeting was reconvened @ 8:56 p.m.

A motion was made by Gene Schappell to accept the proposed zoning amendment ordinance, changing the C-2 to C-3. A second was not received. The motion did not pass.

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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 Gene Schappell and seconded by Carl Spatz to adjourn the meeting on @ 9:10 P.M. Upon roll call, Schappell, Spatz and Herman voted yes.

ATTEST:

Cheryl A. Haus
Secretary