

TILDEN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Thursday, June 12, 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, Jr., 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 7:03 P.M. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Scott Miller of Stackhouse Brensinger, on behalf of Blue Mountain Academy, addressed the Board regarding 750 acres on which they want to construct a 30' x 45' building, mid property, to replace their existing water treatment plant. They have received E & S approval and a zoning permit. They have not received a building permit. They were told by Carbon Engineering, Inc. that they would need a Land Development Plan for the total 750 acres. They would like to address the Board and receive answers on why they need to have a Land Development Plan. The Board did not receive anything to review or receive anything from Carbon Engineering on why they need to do a Land Development Plan. The Secretary will contact Carbon Engineering.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

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

**General Fund - Ck# 18539-18580 in the amount of \$52,287.18
Auto deductions in the amount of \$1,640.44
Payroll - Ck# 12683-12711 in the amount of \$23,155.53
ACH & EFTPS Transfers (Fed & State taxes) \$10,267.93
Cabela's Traffic Light Fund - auto deductions in the amount of \$58.54
Sewer Fund - Ck# 2675-2680 in the amount of \$76,497.27
Auto deductions in the amount of \$701.26
TIP Traffic Light - Auto deductions in the amount of \$51.66
TIP Street Light - Auto deductions in the amount of \$558.53
West Hamburg Street Lt Fund - Auto deduction in the amount of \$169.24
Building & Zoning Ck # 177-178 in the amount of \$ 10,222.77
Tilden Ridge Traffic Light - Auto deductions in the amount of \$93.60
Ck. # 107 in the amount of \$829.15**

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

DEBT SERVICE

Building - \$705,000.00
Tilden Collection System - \$3,514,585.00
HMA sewer expansion - \$4,445,655.12
Park & Recreation owes Sovereign Grant - \$32,637.49

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Fred Herman and seconded by Carl Spatz to approve the May 7, 2014 Workshop minutes and the May 8, 2014 regular meeting minutes. Upon roll call, Herman, Spatz and Schappell voted yes.

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REPORT - POLICE

The report for May, 2014 was given by Chief McEllroy. 78 incidents were handled, 1,261 miles were put on vehicles and 120.7 gallons of fuel were used. All three officers received training on PTSD and veterans, Chief McEllroy received taser instructor training, and on May 31, 2014 the Cody data was transferred from Berks County to the new Tilden Township server. A letter was read by Supervisor Gene Schappell, from Sheriff Joseph Groody of the Schuylkill County Sheriff's Office, expressing sincere appreciation and thanks to Chief William J. McEllroy, III, Tilden Township Police and Pennsylvania State Troopers, that worked tirelessly with him in apprehending Prisoner escapee Jesse Wolfe. The new county radio system is supposed to be live on August 1, 2014.

REPORT - SOLICITOR

REPORT - ZONING/SEO

The Report for May, 2014 was received.

Police Chief Bill McEllroy stated that he has met with the Zoning / Building Officer, William Murphy, likes his Professionalism and said Mr. Murphy works well with the Tilden Police Department.

REPORT - DRIVEWAY/ROADMASTER

The Report for May, 2014 was received.

A motion was made by Carl Spatz and seconded by Fred Herman to award the bid, for the 2014 Road Project, of Mountain Road, Ash Road, Old Route 22 and Windy Road, to Reading Materials, Inc. in the amount of \$191,957.00. Upon roll call, Spatz, Herman and Schappell voted yes.

A motion was made by Gene Schappell and seconded by Fred Herman to adopt Resolution # 12, 2014, A Resolution of Tilden Township, Berks County, Pennsylvania adopting Tilden Township's Sign Maintenance Policy of identifying four quadrants, itemizing the number, types and cost of signs, and replacing signs, a quadrant at a time. Upon roll call, Schappell, Herman and Spatz voted yes.

REPORT-SECRETARY

The Secretary was on vacation in May. Also worked on normal office duties.

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The solar light on the baseball field flagpole has been installed. The sign for when the pavilion is rented has been installed. The gates have been installed on the fence. Quotes of the same block that is on the concession stand are being received, for use on the dugouts.

A motion for the return of a \$50.00 rental fee for a May 10, 2014 rental, due to cancellation, was made by Gene Schappell and seconded by Carl Spatz. Upon roll call, Schappell, Spatz and Herman voted yes.

A motion to add cancellation information to the rental application was made by Carl Spatz and seconded by Fred Herman. Upon written notice of cancellation received at least 14 days prior to the reserved date, the entire reservation fee shall be refunded. If notice of the cancellation is received less than 14 days before the reserved date, there shall be no refund, however, the applicant may request another available date and the fee shall be applied to such alternate date. Upon roll call, Spatz, Herman and Schappell voted yes.

REPORT - OLD BUSINESS

A motion was made by Carl Spatz and seconded by Fred Herman to appoint Dave Coult of Milestone Financial, as Advisor, and Charles Friedlander of Municipal Finance Partners, Inc., as Actuary, for the Tilden Township Non-Uniformed Pension Plan, effective July 1, 2014, due to significant savings (approximately \$9,000.00) in cost of administrative duties, annually. Upon roll call, Spatz, Herman and Schappell voted yes.

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

A motion was made by Gene Schappell and seconded by Fred Herman to approve the Radio Frequency Sharing Agreement Emergency Responder Use of Licensed Radio Frequencies, between Tilden Township and Hamburg Borough, for use of Hamburg Borough's radio frequencies. Upon roll call, Schappell, Herman and Spatz voted yes.

A motion was made by Gene Schappell and seconded by Fred Herman to release the balance of financial security for Cigars International, as recommended by Carbon Engineering, Inc. in their letter of May 30, 2014. Upon roll call, Schappell, Herman and Spatz voted yes.

A motion was made by Fred Herman and seconded by Carl Spatz to release \$2,500.00 of the financial security for Advance Auto Parts, holding a balance of \$27,331.75 for other requirements, per the recommendation of Carbon Engineering, Inc. in their letter of May 30, 2014. Upon roll call, Herman, Spatz and Schappell voted yes.

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A motion was made by Carl Spatz and seconded by Gene Schappell to approve the purchase of computers, for the Assistant Secretary and the Tax Collector to use, in the amount of \$1,397.00 each, taken from account 402.700, Capital Outlay-Administrative. Upon roll call, Spatz, Schappell and Herman 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 @ 8:15 P.M. Upon roll call, Schappell, Spatz and Herman voted yes.

ATTEST:

Cheryl A. Haus
Secretary