

**TILDEN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

Wednesday, June 10, 2015  
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, Police Chief William McEllroy III, Township Secretary, Cheryl Haus, and Township Solicitor, Joan London. A copy of the roster is on file with the secretary.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Schappell, at 7:03 P.M., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION -**

Esther Hartman of 351 Lowland Road, Evelyn Epting of 363 Lowland Road and Deb Reber of Schuylkill Haven, granddaughter of Esther Hartman, discussed with the board a storm water drainage problem at 351 Lowland Road, coming off the development on Industrial Drive. A CD was presented showing pictures and video of water surrounding the home on Monday, June 8, 2015 after a storm. Reference was made to damage to the home foundation, possible contamination to water, blocked storm drains, an adjacent property where top soil was taken off, water run-off between the State Police barracks and Jetson, and maintenance of holding ponds. The subdivision plan was pulled out and Township Solicitor Joan London referred to General Note #8, Stormwater Maintenance Responsibility, and will draft a letter to the owner of Lot # 8, Carac, Inc.

Shawn Clark of 16 Dale Drive addressed the Board for help in keeping Outdoor Wood Fired Boilers out of developments in Tilden Township. Mr. Clark spoke of a court case he was involved in with a neighbor where an Order was given to permanently shut down the Outdoor Boiler. Mr. Clark said he does not disagree with Boilers on large acreage parcels, however, does not think they belong in developments. The Board will continue to review and amend the Outdoor Wood Fired Boiler Ordinance.

**PAYMENT OF BILLS**

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

**General Fund - Ck# 18955-18980 in the amount of \$39,935.58**  
**Auto deductions in the amount of \$2,189.35**  
**Payroll - Ck# 12822-12828 in the amount of \$25,873.83**  
**ACH & EFTPS Transfers (Fed & State taxes) \$11,579.96**  
**Cabela's Traffic Light Fund - auto deductions in the amount of \$58.30**  
**Sewer Fund - Ck# 2773-2778 in the amount of \$15,440.92**  
**Auto deductions in the amount of \$710.10**  
**TIP Traffic Light - Auto deductions in the amount of \$53.29**  
**TIP Street Light - Auto deductions in the amount of \$619.18**  
**West Hamburg Street Light - auto deductions in the amount of \$205.52**  
**Building & Zoning Ck # 193 in the amount of \$ 1,687.19**  
**Tilden Ridge Traffic Light - Auto deductions in the amount of \$79.94**

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**Fire Tax Fund - ck # 113 in the amount of \$284.42  
Upon roll call, Schappell, Spatz and Herman voted yes.**

**DEBT SERVICE**

Building - \$644,600.00  
Tilden Collection System - \$3,318,700.00  
HMA sewer expansion - \$4,192,123.79  
Park & Recreation owes Sovereign Grant - \$28,637.49

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**A motion was made by Gene Schappell and seconded by Carl Spatz to approve the May 8, 2015 workshop minutes and the May 13, 2015 Regular meeting minutes. Upon roll call, Schappell, Spatz and Herman voted yes.**

**REPORT - POLICE**

The report for May, 2015 was given by Chief McEllroy. 94 incidents were handled, 1258 miles were put on vehicles and 134.6 gallons of fuel were used. Part-time position interviews are scheduled. Chief McEllroy stated that the Roadmaster was very cooperative with the Police in cleaning up after the storm on Monday, June 8. Chief McEllroy stated he has read proposed HB 709 regarding State Police fees.

**REPORT - SOLICITOR**

**REPORT - ZONING/BUILDING**

A report for May, 2015 was received.

**REPORT - DRIVEWAY/ROADMASTER**

The Report for May, 2015 was received.

**A motion was made by Fred Herman and seconded by Carl Spatz to advertise for bidding, the 2015 Road Project of base repair and overlay of Walnut Road, waterproofing and overlay of two bridges on Creamery Road and widening of Pine Road (using money from Ironwood Properties), from Clayton Avenue to Laurel Road. Upon roll call, Herman, Spatz and Schappell voted yes.**

**REPORT-SECRETARY**

Report for May, 2015. The resignation of Richard Delong from the Park & Recreation Board has been received and all paperwork has been completed, for the appointment at the May 13, 2015 meeting, of Richard Delong to the Zoning Hearing Board.

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**REPORT - PARK & RECREATION**

The next meeting will be June 24, 2015.

A motion was made by Carl Spatz and seconded by Gene Schappell to build a 12' x 16' pavilion at the Rhoades Memorial Park, pricing not to exceed \$1,500.00. Upon roll call, Spatz, Schappell and Herman voted yes.

A motion was made by Gene Schappell and seconded by Fred Herman to rent an inflatable screen, LCD projector and PA System from Eagle Rentals in the amount of \$308.00 for FREE movie nights on Saturday July 18 and August 15, movie starting between 8:30 and 9:00 p.m., and to advertise using the Code Red System and the Merchandiser. Expenses will be paid from the Park & Recreation checking account. Haus Automotive will sponsor the first night, July 18, 2015. Upon roll call, Schappell, Herman and Spatz voted yes.

**REPORT - OLD BUSINESS**

**REPORT - SUBDIVISIONS / LAND DEVELOPMENT**

Bob Stewartz, P.E. of Barwis Construction, LLC discussed with the Board Lot 5 & 6 of the Himmelberger Subdivision on Cheese Lane.

A motion was made by Fred Herman and seconded by Carl Spatz to approve the Preliminary / Final Lot Consolidation Plan of Lot 5 & 6 Cheese Lane, contingent on the conditions set by the Planning Commission letter of May 28, 2015 and the Engineer's review letter of May 3, 2015. Upon roll call, Herman, Spatz and Schappell voted yes.

**REPORT - NEW BUSINESS**

A motion was made by Gene Schappell and seconded by Fred Herman to issue refunds of the 2014 LST due to it being taken out of paychecks twice. Marlene Edmonds in the amount of \$52 and Cindy Hoppes in the amount of \$30. Upon roll call, Schappell, Herman and Spatz voted yes.

A motion was made by Fred Herman and seconded by Carl Spatz to issue refunds of the 2014 LST due to making under the annual wages of \$12,000.00. Jessica Guido \$52 and Andrew Faust \$52. Upon roll call, Herman, Spatz and Schappell voted yes.

A motion was made by Carl Spatz and seconded by Fred Herman to approve the 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Fit Family 5K / 10K race on Sunday, June 14, 2015, and partial road closure of Mountain Road, Stone Road and Mountain View Drive, sponsored by Adventist Whole Health Network. Upon roll call, Spatz, Herman and Schappell voted yes.

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**MISCELLANEOUS CORRESPONDENCE** was available with the Secretary as well as minutes and reports of all Boards / Commissions in Tilden Township. Thank you from Borough of Hamburg for \$6,956.07 to offset worker's compensation for ambulance service and fire company service. First Quarter 2015 report from Union Fire Company # 1 of Hamburg PSATS News Bulletin April-May 2015

Supervisor Herman said he drove on Salem Church Road (1.3 miles), Bachmoll Road (1.5 miles) and St. Michael's Road in response to the discussion with PennDOT to swap a road for Tilden's part of Olde 22.

Thomas Sitler of Blue Mountain Academy came into the office and asked to temporarily install two blinking traffic lights on Mountain Road during June 12 to June 20 to alert motorists of people walking the road during their Camp Meeting.

Tilden Township cannot give permission to a private party to install traffic control devices. A false sense of security may be developed by the campers. Another possibility would be to purchase saw horses with yellow flashing lights.

Supervisor Herman stated Craig Moseman would be interested in being an alternate for the Zoning Hearing Board. Solicitor London checked the MPC and under Article 9, Section 907 and 908 it states a Resolution is needed, the term would be three years and the alternate would not be compensated unless he was needed as a voting member.

Chief McEllroy stated he was contacted regarding an Ordinance by the township prohibiting stores such as WalMart to designate a place for accepting batteries, etc. Solicitor London stated the contact should present a Right-To-Know request to the Open Records Officer.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**A motion was made by Carl Spatz and seconded by Fred Herman to adjourn the meeting @ 8:40 P.M. Upon roll call, Schappell, Spatz and Herman voted yes.**

ATTEST:

Cheryl A. Haus  
Secretary