

TILDEN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Wednesday, February 10, 2016
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, Township Solicitor, Joan London and several citizens. A copy of the roster is on file with the secretary.

AN EXECUTIVE SESSION WAS HELD ON FEBRUARY 5, 2016 AFTER THE WORKSHOP MEETING TO DISCUSS PERSONNEL.

AN EXECUTIVE SESSION WAS HELD ON FEBRUARY 10, 2016, PRIOR TO THE REGULAR MEETING TO DISCUSS PERSONNEL.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Gene Schappell, at 7:00 P.M. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - Dale Stoudt of 437 Hill Drive asked about the army vehicle parked on Cabela Drive with the sign. The secretary said they had received a permit for the sign.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

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

General Fund - Ck# 19215-19243 in the amount of \$18,020.53
Auto deductions in the amount of \$1,719.11
Payroll - Ck# 12880-12892 in the amount of \$27,596.80
ACH & EFTPS Transfers (Fed & State taxes) \$11,276.92
Cabela's Traffic Light Fund - auto deductions in the amount of \$53.71
Sewer Fund - Ck# 2844-2850 in the amount of \$95,549.00
Auto deductions in the amount of \$639.39
TIP Street Light - Auto deductions in the amount of \$678.84
West Hamburg Street Lt Fund - Auto deduction in the amount of \$224.37
Building & Zoning Ck # 201 in the amount of \$ 884.11
Tilden Ridge Traffic Light - Auto deductions in the amount of \$130.33
Ck # 110 in the amount of \$123.00

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

DEBT SERVICE

Building - \$592,700.00
Tilden Collection System - \$3,178,900.00
HMA sewer expansion - \$4,009,554.21
Park & Recreation owes Sovereign Grant - \$20,360.11

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Gene Schappell and seconded by Fred Herman to approve the December 31, 2015 workshop minutes and the January 4, 2016 Re-Organization and regular meeting minutes. Upon roll call, Herman, Spatz and Schappell voted yes.

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REPORT - POLICE

The report for January, 2016 was given by Supervisor Schappell. 65 incidents were handled, 588 miles were put on vehicles.

REPORT - SOLICITOR

A motion for Resolution # 8, 2016 was made by Carl Spatz and seconded by Gene Schappell to authorize the Manager to sign and submit the application for Traffic Signal Approval, to PennDOT, for limited low cost systematic improvements on the Traffic Signals @ Route 61 and Cabela Drive. Upon roll call, Schappell, Spatz and Herman voted yes.

REPORT - ZONING/BUILDING

The Report for January, 2016 was received

REPORT - DRIVEWAY/ROADMASTER

The Report for January, 2016 was received.

The Board stated the road crew did an excellent job clearing and treating the roads after Winter Storm Jonas. A total of 236 hours were worked plowing snow and treating roads.

A motion was made by Carl Spatz and seconded by Fred Herman to authorize the Road Master & Secretary to work with the PennDOT Representative to put together the 2016 road project of Lowland Road, Mountain Road, Industrial Drive, Cheese Lane, Stone Road and Willow Road. Upon roll call, Spatz, Herman and Schappell voted yes.

REPORT-SECRETARY

The secretary's report for January, 2016 was given by Cheryl Haus. End of year reports were completed and submitted. The Township records were audited January 4 through January 7, 2016. The secretary was on vacation from January 22 through February 6, 2016.

A discussion was tabled until the workshop, on hiring a maintenance person for the spring/summer of 2016 to mow grass, trim and mulch.

REPORT - PARK & RECREATION

The next meeting for Park & Recreation will be Wednesday, February 24, 2016 @ 7:00 p.m.

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REPORT - OLD BUSINESS

A motion was made by Gene Schappell and seconded by Carl Spatz to appoint Greg Kozlowski of 376 Hill Drive to Planning Commission for a 4 year term expiring 1-1-2020. Upon roll call, Schappell, Spatz and Herman voted yes.

REPORT - SUBDIVISIONS / LAND DEVELOPMENT

REPORT - NEW BUSINESS

A motion was made by Fred Herman and seconded by Carl Spatz to only charge Blue Mountain Elementary the fees incurred for inspections, by Tilden Township, at cost, for reconstruction of the Blue Mountain Elementary School. Upon roll call, Herman, Spatz and Schappell voted yes.

A request by L. A. Nails to remove late charges of \$196.23, due to not receiving bills, was tabled until more information could be gathered.

A motion was made by Fred Herman and seconded by Carl Spatz to increase the pay of the Zoning Hearing Board from \$30.00 per hearing to \$50.00 per hearing, paying no compensation for meetings not based on an application. Upon roll call, Herman, Spatz and Schappell voted yes.

A motion was made By Gene Schappell and seconded by Fred Herman to authorize the Manager to send a letter to Mr. Hannon of Cigars International, in regard to a proposed fireworks display on February 27, 2016. Upon roll call, Schappell, Herman and Spatz voted yes.

A motion was made by Carl Spatz and seconded by Gene Schappell to approve the sending of letters to Cigars International in the amount of \$1,489.86 and Freedom Hyundai in the amount of \$360.45, for additional sewage capacity over and above the amount purchased, as per Carbon Engineering, Inc.'s letter of January 27, 2016. Upon roll call, Spatz, Schappell and Herman voted yes.

A motion was made by Fred Herman and seconded by Gene Schappell to approve the swap of Hex Highway from Jalappa Road to the Tilden Township line in exchange for Maple Drive, Berne Road from Bachmoll Road to the Township line and St. Michael's Road to Salem Church Road. In turn, receiving funds in the amount of \$9,200.00 (Maple), \$115,219.00 (Berne) and \$78,058.00 (St. Michael's), from PennDOT to repair the roads. Upon roll call, Herman, Schappell and Spatz voted yes.

A motion was made by Fred Herman and seconded by Carl Spatz to approve the 2016 License to operate a Mobile Home Park for Pleasant Hills Mobile Home Park, to GSP Management Company. Upon roll call, Herman, Spatz and Schappell voted yes.

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MISCELLANEOUS CORRESPONDENCE was available with the Secretary as well as minutes and reports of all Boards in Tilden Township.
A thank you note from Berks County Crime Alert was received for the 2016 donation.
The Blue Mountain Wildlife newsletter for Fall 2015 was received.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Carl Spatz and seconded by Fred Herman to adjourn the meeting @ 8:30 P.M. Upon roll call, Schappell, Spatz and Herman voted yes.

ATTEST:

Cheryl A. Haus
Secretary