

**TILDEN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

Friday, March 9, 2018  
Workshop

The Tilden Township Board of Supervisors met in the Township Municipal Building with the following present: Supervisors Gene Schappell and Fred Herman; Absent Richard DeLong, Road Master Mike Quick, Police Chief William McEllroy, Township Secretary Monica Flower, Township Manager/Treasurer Cheryl Haus and some local residents. The attendance roster is on file with the secretary.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Gene Schappell at 9:06 a.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**AN EXECUTIVE SESSION WAS HELD PRIOR TO THE REGULAR MEETING ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 14, 2018 IN REGARDS TO PERSONNEL****Items discussed were:**

- Chief McEllroy reported the new vehicle has all the equipment installed except the caging between the officers and the prisoner. Lights and sirens will be put in place to be used as an emergency vehicle but won't be utilized as a patrol vehicle until the cage is installed. The install company is running behind with a projected time frame of Spring.
- Road Master Michael Quick presented the 2018 Road Project funded with Liquid Fuels. Roads included in the project:
  - Fisher Dam Rd. - whole road
  - Berne Rd. - from Old 22 to the bridge south of Fisher Dam
  - River Rd. - whole road
  - Tilden Rd. - whole road
  - Clayton Ave. - whole road
  - Pine Rd. - from Old 22 to Clayton Ave.There was a discussion regarding damages incurred during the storm on March 2<sup>nd</sup>, which may be covered by insurance. Road master is to get a quote for items needing repair or replacement.
- Blue Mountain Wildlife inquired if Township had 12" ABS pipe to donate for the butterfly garden project at Kernsville Dam. It was reported the township does not have any.
- Public Participation:

The Supervisors stated that the Logistics Park Overlay Ordinance is no longer open for discussion and public comment. The matter is now in litigation and is primarily between the Developer and the Township Solicitors. It was explained that the Supervisors are now legally bound by what is presented in the hearings.

It was asked if the butterfly garden would be open to the public. The new butterfly garden will be located at the Kernsville Dam area and have public access. There will be some construction in 2019 a part of the highway project to improve and expand the area. On April 21<sup>st</sup> at 9am, in conjunction with Earth Day Clean Up, Blue Mountain Wildlife will be having a work day and welcome volunteers.

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A resident made a request that microphones be used for the next hearing. It will be looked into.

Jerry Nash requested to be grandfathered on a 1.44 acre (62,726 sq. ft.) residential lot he owns in Tilden Township. After a discussion was held, the Supervisors determined that he would need to apply for a variance.

The Supervisors received a letter from a resident requesting consideration of a noise nuisance ordinance specifically pertaining to dog barking. According to Tilden Township Police Department, there have been seven complaints of barking dogs in the last ten years. After discussion of the matter, it was determined a letter to be sent to the resident stating there is not a need for an ordinance and an alternative legal remedy be recommended.

**A Motion was made by Gene Schappell and seconded by Fred Herman proclaiming April 2018 is Pennsylvania 811 Safe Digging Month. Upon roll call, Schappell and Herman voted yes.**

The adoption of Resolution #9-2018 PennDot Mowing Contract was discussed and tabled.

**A Motion was made by Gene Schappell and seconded by Fred Herman to have Monica direct the Solicitor to provide an amendment for the current Fireworks Ordinance #227-2017 in compliance with the current laws and present the amendment for adoption at the April BOS Workshop Meeting. Upon roll call, Schappell and Herman voted yes.**

**A Motion was made by Gene Schappell and seconded by Fred Herman to have the Solicitor contact Senator Argall, Representative Knolls, Pennsylvania State Police, DEP, Tilden Township, and Blue Mountain Wildlife to arrange a meeting to discuss Kernsville Dam/The Rock. Upon Roll call, Schappell and Herman voted yes.**

**A Motion was made by Fred Herman and seconded by Gene Schappell to amend the appointment of Michelle Merring-Minnick of the Zoning Hearing Board for two years instead of three years as previously voted, replacing Richard DeLong and completing his term. Upon roll call, Schappell and Herman voted yes.**

**A motion was made by Fred Herman and seconded by Gene Schappell to adjourn the meeting at 10:26 a.m. Upon roll call, Schappell and Herman voted yes.**

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Monica A. Flower  
Secretary