

**TILDEN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

Wednesday, May 10, 2017  
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, Township Solicitor, Joan London, Township Engineer, Gregory Haas and Township Secretary, Bonny Conrad 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 7:05 P.M. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION** -

Allen Shollenberger asked for a grant of extension for Walnut Acres.

**A motion was made by Fred Herman and seconded by Gene Schappell to grant a time extension to Walnut Acres until July 1, 2017. Upon roll call Schappell, Herman and Spatz voted yes.**

**Ron Arndt** of 745 Hex Hwy asked if the conditions from an older sketch plan for Walnut Acres were taken care of with today's sketch plan. This question was answered by stating that there will be a request of modification of the condition which will be brought to the Zoning Hearing Board.

**PAYMENT OF BILLS**

**A motion was made by Gene Schappell and seconded by Fred Herman to pay the following bills and accept the debt service:**

**PAYMENT OF BILLS**

**General Fund** - Ck# 19749-19787 in the amount of \$123,751.75  
Auto deductions in the amount of \$2,803.02  
**Payroll** - Ck# 13025-13034 in the amount of \$25,212.95  
ACH & EFTPS Transfers (Fed & State taxes) \$9,883.70  
**Cabela's Traffic Light Fund** - auto deductions in the amount of \$65.16  
Ck # 2034 in the amount of \$1,373.55  
**Sewer Fund** - Ck# 2946-2950 in the amount of \$133,952.04  
Auto deductions in the amount of \$601.48  
**TIP Traffic Light Fund** - Auto deductions in the amount of 66.91  
**TIP Street Light** - Auto deductions in the amount of \$789.50  
**West Hamburg Street Lt Fund** - Auto deduction in the amount of \$240.70  
**Building & Zoning** Ck # 217 in the amount of \$ 834.74  
**Tilden Ridge Traffic Light** - Auto deductions in the amount of \$98.05  
**Stormwater Fund** - Ck # 114 in the amount of \$232.50

DEBT SERVICE

Building - \$489,600.00  
Tilden Collection System - \$2,442,900  
HMA sewer expansion - \$3,712,570.63  
Park & Recreation owes Sovereign Grant - \$14,300.00

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**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**A motion was made by Carl Spatz and seconded by Fred Herman to approve the April 7, 2017 Workshop minutes and the April 12, 2017 Regular meeting minutes. Upon roll call, Herman, Spatz and Schappell voted yes.**

**REPORT - POLICE**

The report for April, 2017 was given by Chief McEllroy. 84 incidents were handled. Chief McEllroy attended mandatory training for the systems databases used to track criminal history and drivers licenses. Officers Heckman and Cataldi are now certified as evidence technicians. They attended a free course taught by the Berks County Detectives Forensics Unit. Gene Schappell informed Chief McEllroy that Officer Heckman did an excellent job and was very professional when he did a training seminar for the Supervisors, Road Crew and Office Staff of the Township and a letter will be put in Officer Heckman's file regarding his professionalism and service to Tilden Township for training in CPR.

**REPORT - SOLICITOR**

The Solicitor discussed with the Board the changes to the proposed ordinance for Hotels/Motels provided by Mark Magrecki.

**REPORT - ZONING/BUILDING**

The Report for April, 2017 was received.

**REPORT - DRIVEWAY/ROADMASTER**

The Report for April, 2017 was received.

**REPORT-SECRETARY**

The secretary's report for May, 2017 was given by Bonny Conrad. The New Assistant Secretary, Monica Flower, started March 27, 2017. The Secretary and Manager attended the BCCPC meeting at Albright College on April 11, 2017 and a presentation was given by Sea Box. The Secretary and Manager attended the Municipal Secretaries Association meeting on April 12, 2017 and a presentation by Katie from Commissioner Barnhardt's office was given regarding the Berks County Residential Center. Dividend SIR was received for years 2011-2015 from Workers Compensation in the amount of \$5,458.85 on April 12, 2017. Dividend SIR was received for years 2007-2015 from Workers Compensation Pooled Trust in the amount of \$8,860.69 on April 17, 2017.

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The Secretary attended the Checklists for Quick and Easy Office Administration, Keeping Township Ordinances Current in a Changing Landscape, Secrets of the Township Code and Other Laws, Understanding Your Community's Stormwater Obligations and Agricultural Security Areas sessions at the PSATS Convention.

**REPORT - PARK & RECREATION**

Mulch is scheduled to be delivered on Saturday, May 13, 2017. The next meeting for Park & Recreation will be held Wednesday, May 31, 2017.

**REPORT - OLD BUSINESS**

**REPORT - SUBDIVISIONS / LAND DEVELOPMENT**

**REPORT - NEW BUSINESS**

A motion was made by Gene Schappell and seconded by Fred Herman to refund Marlene Edmonds \$51.00 for double payment of Local Services Tax. Upon roll call, Gene Schappell, Fred Herman and Carl Spatz voted yes.

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A motion was made by Fred Herman to accept the Audit Report for December 21, 2016 and seconded by Carl Spatz. Upon roll call, Gene Schappell, Fred Herman and Carl Spatz voted yes.

A letter to the Tilden Township Board of Supervisors from Trail Towing Service of 225 Maple Drive was read by Gene Schappell and will be kept on file.

Fred Herman mentioned that the Blue Mountain Wildlife Association will be making a formal statement of support for removal of the Kernsville Dam and the Board of Supervisors will discuss this further at the next Workshop meeting on June 9, 2017.

**MISCELLANEOUS CORRESPONDENCE** was available with the Secretary as well as minutes and reports of all Boards in Tilden Township. Newsletter from Blue Mountain Wildlife was received as well as the Thank You card from Fred Herman.

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**ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Carl Spatz and seconded by Fred Herman to adjourn the meeting @ 9:20 P.M. Upon roll call, Schappell, Spatz and Herman voted yes.

ATTEST:

Bonny J. Conrad  
Secretary