

**TILDEN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

Monday, January 3, 2011  
Regular Meeting

The Tilden Township Board of Supervisors met in the Township Municipal Building with the following present: Supervisors Gene Schappell, Russell Werley and Judy Romig, Township Secretary, Cheryl Haus, 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 Russell Werley, at 8:57 A.M.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION -**

**Representative Mike Tobash** discussed with the Board of Supervisors, the utilization of space in the Tilden Township Building for an office. Mr. Tobash will check into information on partial leases, etc. from the Commonwealth. Mr. Tobash will also e-mail information regarding hours, etc.

**PAYMENT OF BILLS**

**A motion was made by Russ Werley and seconded by Judy Romig to pay the following bills:**

**General Fund** - Ck# 16964-17015 in the amount of \$36,662.09  
Auto deductions in the amount of \$1,710.88  
**Payroll** - Ck# 11555-11585 in the amount of \$22,414.35 #11556 VOID  
ACH & EFTPS Transfers (Fed & State taxes) \$848.05  
**Cabela's Traffic Light Fund** - auto deductions in the amount of \$67.84  
**Sewer Fund** - Ck# 2358-2365 in the amount of \$25,730.10  
Auto deductions in the amount of \$571.99  
**TIP Traffic Light Fund** - Auto deductions in the amount of \$109.57  
Ck# 2021 in the amount of \$645.00  
**TIP Street Light Fund** - Ck# 2020 in the amount \$779.69  
Auto deduction in the amount of \$630.41  
**West Hamburg Street Lt Fund** - Ck# 374 in the amount of \$74.78  
Auto deduction in the amount of \$216.55  
**Building & Zoning** Ck # 124-125 in the amount of \$28,832.00  
**Tilden Ridge Traffic Light** - Auto deductions in the amount of \$145.20  
**Environmental Advisory Council** Ck # 903-904 in the amount of \$116.89  
**Capital Reserve - Police Computers** \$7,377.38

Upon roll call, Werley, Schappell and Romig voted yes.

**DEBT SERVICE**

Building - \$888,000.00  
Tilden Collection System - \$5,704,000.00  
HMA sewer expansion - \$3,064,805.76

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**A motion was made by Judy Romig and seconded by Russ Werley to approve the December 4, meeting minutes and the December 3, 2010 workshop minutes with the correction on the debt service. Upon roll call, Romig and Werley voted yes.**

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**REPORT - POLICE**

The report for December, 2010 was given by Chief Schwoyer. 55 shifts were covered, 386 hours were worked, 1,037 miles were put on vehicles and 111.40 gallons of fuel were used. (Additional information is available on the Police Report)

Chief Schwoyer presented one of the two AED's that were donated to the police department from the Reading Hospital.

Chief Schwoyer recommended / requested the township hire Patrolman Peter Witman full-time and, if he cannot be hired full-time, increase his wages from \$13.50 per hour to \$16.50 per hour. The Board will discuss the recommendation.

**REPORT - SOLICITOR**

A motion for Resolution # 7, 2011 was made by Russ Werley and seconded by Judy Romig to appoint Reinsel Kuntz Leshner, LLP as CPA firm to audit the financial records of Tilden Township and the Tilden Township tax collector for 2010. Upon roll call, Romig, Werley and Schappell voted yes.

A motion was made by Gene Schappell and seconded by Russ Werley to authorize Kozloff Stoudt to file a petition for allowance of appeal to the Supreme Court and a request for reconsideration of the decision in the Perano vs Tilden Township equity action. Upon roll call, Werley, Schappell and Romig voted yes.

A motion was made by Judy Romig and seconded by Russ Werley to authorize the Engineer, Solicitor and Manager to take further steps to continue developing a plan to provide a source of water to the Pleasant Hills Mobile Home Park, in light of the hydrogeological study received by the Township in 2010, and Commonwealth Court clarification of Judge Schmehl's order. Upon roll call, Romig, Werley and Schappell voted yes.

**REPORT - ZONING/SEO**

**REPORT - DRIVEWAY/ROADMASTER**

The Report for December, 2010 was received.

A motion was made by Russ Werley and seconded by Judy Romig to authorize the road crew and the manager to prepare and advertise for bids for the 2011 Road Project. Upon roll call, Werley, Romig and Schappell voted yes.

**REPORT-SECRETARY**

The secretary's report for December, 2010 was given by Cheryl Haus. Sewer hook-up update...2 tapping fees and 13 connections need to be made. The Berks E.I. T Bureau payment for 9-1-10 to 11-30-10 was received, in the amount of \$88,237.62.

Reports for end of quarter, end of year, etc. were worked on in the office.

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REPORT - PARK & RECREATION

REPORT - OLD BUSINESS

REPORT - SUBDIVISIONS / LAND DEVELOPMENT

A motion was made by Russ Werley and seconded by Judy Romig, as per the recommendation of Carbon Engineering on Dec 15, 2010, to approve the request for relief, from the Tilden Ridge developers, from installing sewer traps and vents outside of buildings. This pertains to the West Hamburg Sanitary Sewer project. Upon roll call, Werley, Romig and Schappell voted yes.

REPORT - NEW BUSINESS

A motion was made by Russ Werley and seconded by Gene Schappell authorizing Berks County to print / bill Tilden Township for 2011 real estate tax bills. Upon roll call, Romig, Schappell and Werley voted yes.

A motion for Resolution # 28, 2010 was made by Russ Werley and seconded by Gene Schappell to approve the Met-Ed installation of a street light on Mountain Road near Dunkin Donuts. Upon roll call, Werley, Schappell and Romig voted yes.

A motion was made by Gene Schappell and seconded by Judy Romig to approve the quotation from Wyomissing Data to activate all runs for the phone and internet. Upon roll call, Schappell, Romig and Werley voted yes.

A motion was made by Gene Schappell and seconded by Russ Werley to approve the request from Blane Gundrum of 131 Ruth Street, for the return of excess funds from the Zoning Hearing, in the amount of \$ 849.72. Upon roll call, Schappell, Werley and Romig voted yes.

MISCELLANEOUS CORRESPONDENCE was available with the Secretary as well as minutes and reports of all Boards in Tilden Township.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Russ Werley and seconded by Gene Schappell to adjourn the meeting at 10:20 A.M. Upon roll call, Werley, Romig and Schappell voted yes.

ATTEST:

Cheryl A. Haus  
Secretary