

LOWER MILFORD TOWNSHIP of LEHIGH COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
Thursday, August 20, 2009 at 7:30 p.m.
MINUTES

Chairman Richard Harris called the meeting to order at 7:33 p.m. Present were Supervisors Arland Schantz and Donna Wright. Also present were Township Manager Ellen Koplin; Township Solicitor Emil Kantra; Public Works Director Richard Kinsey; Treasurer Maureen Kinney; Police Chief John Dondero and approximately 16 others.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said by all.

Public comments were accepted throughout the meeting.

Regular Business:

MOTION was made by Wright to approve the minutes of the July 16, 2009 Board of Supervisors Meeting. Schantz seconded the motion. **Unanimous**

Schantz questioned whether Harris looked into drug testing for all employees involved in accidents. It was decided to discuss it at the workshop as it may affect the Union Contract.

MOTION was made by Wright to approve the minutes of the July 20, 2009 Public Hearing. Schantz seconded the motion. **Unanimous**

MOTION was made by Wright to accept the Treasurers Report as of July 31, 2009 as follows:

• General Fund	\$569,982.00
• Sewer Fund	20,642.00
• Fire Fund	91,530.00
• Park & Rec. Donation Fund	8,255.00
• Park & Rec. Grant	24,000.00
• Capital Reserve Fund	137,760.00
• Road Projects Fund	349,145.00
• State Liquid Fuels Tax Account	91,914.00
• Developer Escrows (Non Twp. Funds)	43,423.00

Schantz seconded the motion. **Unanimous**

MOTION was made by Schantz to pay the August 2009 bills. Wright seconded the motion. **Unanimous**

Police Business:

The Police Reports were made available to the public.

A resident inquired why the increase in police calls. It is due to an additional officer on duty.

Public Works Business:

The Public Works Report was made available to the public.

Zoning Business:

The Zoning Report was made available to the public.

Manager's Business:

Manager's report was made available to the public.

Subdivisions/Land Developments:

Harris announce a new submission- Berry Subdivision, two lots on Bell Gate Road, 6+ acres
There was no action due on Subdivisions & Land Developments.

Fire Co. Report:

There was no report available. The Fire Co. reports will be quarterly.

Library Representative Report:

The Library Representative's Report was made available to the public.

Old Business:

Harris announced the Department of Environmental Protection MS4 NPDES Stormwater Permit for Township has been extended for an additional year. A waiver request will be submitted by the Township Engineer.

MOTION was made by Schantz to adopt Resolution 2009-19 accepting the David & Emilie Lobach property into Agricultural Security Area. Wright seconded the motion.

Unanimous

Harris announced the grants awarded toward the Limeport Sewage Project:

- H2O Grant Awarded in the amount of \$130,896
- Lehigh County Community Development Block Grant awarded for qualifying Limeport residents: \$60,000 for sewer tapping fee assistance
\$54,000 for sewer lateral assistance

Harris stated the PennVest loan is the next hurdle. The President's stimulus package is making it difficult to obtain.

Kantra said approximately one third of the easements have been obtained. Approximately one third of the remaining property owners have collectively obtained legal aid and the remainder has not responded at all.

Questions from resident Ed Matulevicius concerning the Limeport sewerage including responsibility for replacement of the grinder pump and information updates were discussed.

New Business:

Harris announced the assessment appeal of Charles & Lynda Haas.

MOTION was made by Schantz to accept the Road Kill Deer Removal Agreement. Wright seconded the motion.

Unanimous

The contract for the Lehigh County Humane Society Animal Control Services for 2010 will be placed on the workshop agenda as a budget item for discussion. The donation requested is much higher than the Township's usual donation.

The Office of the District Attorney's request for a donation for Municipal Emergency Response Team (MERT) will be placed on the workshop agenda as a budget item for discussion.

Correspondence (made available to public on rear table):

- Southern Lehigh Library Minutes and Reports
- Southern Lehigh Living Memorial Community Park Minutes

- Lehigh County Executive Don Cunningham-
Act 32 (EIT) Committee Meeting 9/17 -12 to 2
- Lehigh County Director of Real Estate, Assessment Office Letter of Resignation
- Lehigh County Housing Rehabilitation Program

Announcements:

- Fall Festival on September 26, 2009
- Construction of Lower Milford Community Park to take place soon

Harris adjourned the meeting at 8:18 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Ellen L. Koplin
Township Secretary