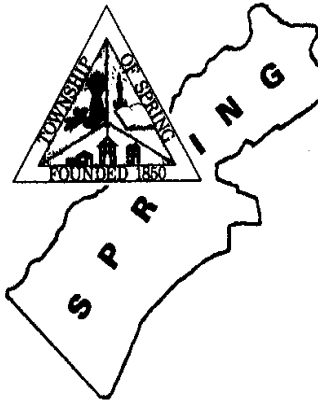


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MEETING MINUTES September 28, 2009

OPENING OF MEETING: The regularly scheduled bi-monthly meeting of the Board of Supervisors was called to order by Chairman Kreider, at 7:30 p.m., in the Meeting Room of the Municipal Building, located at 2800 Shillington Road, Cornwall Terrace, Berks County, Pennsylvania.

The meeting opened with the Pledge to the Flag.

Upon roll call, Supervisors Collins, Dallas, Kreider, Smith and Vaughan were present. Also present were: Joan London, Esquire, Leon Mazurie, Chief Ross, James Moll, Sheryl Rowan, Gordon Bartlett, Barry Rohrbach, Bill and Cindy Barbary, Deb and Jeff Burrige, Janet Ebling, Beverly Snyder, Greg Ganikon, Sgt. Barry Marchut, Trish Wertz and Chris Reber, of the Reading Eagle.

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT CHECK PRESENTATION: The Township Police Department hosted their most successful National Night Out, to date, on August 4, 2009. Proceeds of the raffle were donated, and gratefully accepted, as follows:

\$1,100.00 – Crime Alert Berks County – Accepted by Bob Rohrbach
\$1,100.00 – Wilson Community That Cares – Accepted by Deb Burrige
\$1,100.00 – Scott Wertz Memorial Fund – Accepted by Trish Wertz

Sgt. Marchut was congratulated on a job well done.

OPEN TO THE FLOOR:

Gordon Bartlett – Lions/Lioness Halloween Parade – Waiver of Fees: On behalf of the Spring Township Lions/Lioness Club, Mr. Bartlett requested a waiver of the police and fire police fees for the 34th annual Halloween Parade. A motion was made by Mr. Vaughan, second by Mr. Collins, waiving the police and fire police fees for the Halloween Parade on October 21, 2009 (rain date October 22, 2009). Upon roll call, all Supervisors voted affirmatively.

Bill and Cindy Barbary, 527 Calco Avenue: In a written letter to the Board of Supervisors, Mr. and Mrs. Barbary asked if the Supervisors would consider vacating a portion of Sell Avenue, between Calco Avenue and Columbia Avenue. Being that they own property on both sides of Sell Avenue, they would not have a problem if it is vacated. Also, other property owners would not be denied access to their property since all properties may be

accessed directly from Calco Avenue. The Supervisors will review the matter and notify them of their decision.

Janet Ebling, 2307 Laurel Road: Mrs. Ebling submitted photographs of trucks parked on Laurel Road, and again asked if there was something that could be done. Mr. Mazurie advised her that he had recently received a draft ordinance from the Solicitor, which will be distributed to the Board for review and comment.

Beverly Snyder, 2403 Laurel Road: Mrs. Snyder reiterated Mrs. Ebling's concerns. She added that she does not park her car in her driveway, because she is unable to see around the trucks to back out of the driveway safely.

MINUTES: A motion was made by Mr. Dallas, second by Mr. Collins, accepting the Minutes of September 14, 2009. Upon roll call, all Supervisors voted affirmatively.

TOWNSHIP MANAGER:

Business Office:

Bills for Approval: A motion was made by Mr. Dallas, second by Mr. Collins, approving payment of bills, as listed by the Township Treasurer, from the following accounts:

General Fund - \$181,781.24
Street Lighting Tax Fund - \$28,029.99
Refuse Tax Fund - \$112,355.47
Sewer District #2 Fund - \$727.20
Sewer District #3 Fund - \$43,505.97
Fire Protection Fund - \$155,514.48
Capital Fund Account - \$1,352.00
Sinking Fund - \$468.00

Upon roll call, all Supervisors voted affirmatively.

Financial Reports: The Supervisors received copies of the current financial report for review. There were no questions.

Amend 2008 and 2009 MMO Contributions: As a result of separating the fire fighters' pension plan from the non-uniformed employees' pension plan, additional monies are owed to the fire fighters' pension plan. Therefore, the non-uniformed employees' MMOs are being decreased by \$7,590.00 for 2008 and \$5,141.00 for 2009. Based on the recommendation of Conrad Siegel Actuaries and the Township Treasurer, a motion was made by Mr. Collins, second by Mr. Dallas, accepting the amendment of the 2008 and 2009 MMO contributions to the pension funds to reflect the separation of the fire fighters from the non-uniformed pension plan. Upon roll call, all Supervisors voted affirmatively with the exception of Mr. Vaughan, who abstained. (Revised calculations are attached hereto.)

2010 MMO Contributions: As recommended by the Township Treasurer, and confirmed by Conrad Siegel Actuaries, a motion was made by Ms. Smith, second by Mr. Collins, approving 2010 MMO contributions in the amounts of \$226,305.00 for the police pension, \$260,997.00 for the non-uniformed pension and \$42,442.00 for the fire fighters' pension. Additionally, that the non-uniformed plan be budgeted from the general account in the amount of \$231,337.00 and from Sewer District #3 in the amount of \$29,660.00. Upon roll call, all Supervisors voted affirmatively with the exception of Mr. Vaughan, who abstained.

PUBLIC WORKS:

Engineering/Planning Department:

Glad Tidings Assembly of God - Escrow Release #2: As recommended by Great Valley Consultants, a motion was made by Mr. Dallas, second by Mr. Vaughan, approving Escrow Release #2 for Glad Tidings Assembly of God, in the amount of \$153,630.00. Upon roll call, all Supervisors voted affirmatively. The remaining balance is

\$64,509.48.

Stingray Drive (Royal Oaks) – Street Dedication – Resolution #2009-27: As requested by Forino Developers and as recommended by the Director of Engineering and Planning Services, a motion was made by Ms. Smith, second by Mr. Collins, accepting the dedication of Stingray Drive, in the Royal Oaks development, (Resolution #2009-27) as a public street, with the following conditions:

1. **A Deed of Dedication be prepared to the satisfaction of the Township Solicitor.**
2. **The applicant provides a Bill of Sale.**
3. **Maintenance security be posted in the amount of 15% of the cost of the dedicated improvements.**

Upon roll call, all Supervisors voted affirmatively.

Traffic Signal Permit Transfer: A motion was made by Mr. Vaughan, second by Mr. Dallas, authorizing Mr. Moll to sign an Assignment of Permit form, transferring the name of the original owner of the traffic signal, at the intersection of Paper Mill Road and Colony Drive, to the Township, and to send the same to PennDOT. Upon roll call, all Supervisors voted affirmatively.

Weis Market #175 – Final Plan Reaffirmation: The 90-day period to record the Weis Market #175 final plan has again expired, and the applicant has now provided the Township with the necessary documentation. A motion was made by Mr. Dallas, second by Ms. Smith, to reaffirm the Weis Market #175 final plan. Upon roll call, all Supervisors voted affirmatively. The plans will not be released for recording until all Township invoices have been paid.

PUBLIC SAFETY:

Police Department:

Offer of Employment – Entry Level: Having successfully completed all the requirements of a conditional offer of employment, a motion was made by Mr. Collins, second by Ms. Smith, authorizing Chief Ross to extend an offer of employment to Mr. Salvatore Tomczak. Upon roll call, Mr. Collins, Mr. Kreider and Ms. Smith voted affirmatively. Mr. Vaughan and Mr. Dallas voted no. Motion passed 3-2.

Road Closure – Halloween Parade: A motion was made by Mr. Dallas, second by Ms. Smith, approving the requested road closure for the Lions/Lioness Halloween Parade on October 21, 2009, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. (rain date October 22, 2009). Upon roll call, all Supervisors voted affirmatively.

Public Gathering Permits:

Body Zone – Greater Reading Chamber of Commerce: A motion was made by Mr. Vaughan, second by Ms. Smith, approving a Public Gathering Permit for Body Zone, Greater Reading Chamber of Commerce of Industry event, on October 15, 2009, from 3:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Upon roll call, all Supervisors voted affirmatively with the exception of Mr. Dallas, who voted no.

Body Zone – Senior Expo: A motion was made by Mr. Vaughan, second by Mr. Dallas, approving a Public Gathering Permit for Body Zone, Senior Expo, on October 27, 2009, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Upon roll call, all Supervisors voted affirmatively.

Township of Spring Volunteer Fire Department:

Fire Apparatus Authorization: As requested by Fire Commissioner Schach, a motion was made by Ms. Smith, second by Mr. Collins, authorizing Fire Commissioner Schach to send out specifications to various fire apparatus manufacturers seeking prices for the replacement of Engine 85-2, (1989 Pierce pumper), for information purposes only.

Comment on the motion: Supervisor Dallas emphasized that this authorization would not in any way allude to the fact that this will be budgeted or should be budgeted, it is merely seeking information.

Upon roll call, all Supervisors voted affirmatively.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Chairman Kreider announced that an Executive Session was held prior to the meeting to discuss matters of personnel.

There being no further business, Chairman Kreider adjourned the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheryl Rowan, Township Secretary