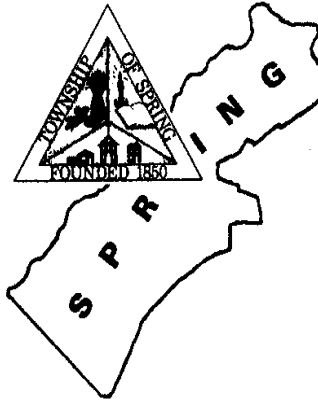


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MEETING MINUTES

AUGUST 8, 2011

OPENING OF MEETING: The regular bi-weekly meeting of the Board of Supervisors was called to order by Chairman Collins, at 7:30 p.m., on Monday, August 8, 2011, in the Public Meeting Room of the Township of Spring Administration Building, located at 2850 Windmill Road, Spring Township, Berks County, Pennsylvania.

The meeting opened with the Pledge to the Flag.

Upon roll call, Supervisors Collins, Hummel, Smith, Ulrich and Vaughan were present. Also present were: Chad Lubas, Esquire, Chief Ross, James Moll, Sheryl Rowan, Judy Houck, Gary Riegel, Greg Ganikon, Tom and Jeanette Campbell, Jeff and Deb Schlack and Erin Negley of the Reading Eagle.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS: Chairman Collins acknowledged the following:

1. Kerry Irwin Park Re-Dedication, July 25, 2011.
2. National Night Out, August 2, 2011 – Approximately 1,128 attended.
3. Township Employees for record of safe operations during severe weather and adverse conditions (Road Crew, Police, Parks & Recreation).

OPEN TO THE FLOOR:

Greg Ganikon, 100 S. Dwight Street: Mr. Ganikon advised the Supervisors that the Hofmann Tract has not been cut. Mr. Campbell added that he has seen groundhogs and a fox in the field. The Codes Department will be notified.

Jeff Schlack, 603 W. Wyomissing Boulevard: According to Mr. Schlack, the Police Department did nothing to investigate an attempted scam directed toward his father-in-law. Chief Ross stated that an officer did, in fact, investigate and prepared a five page report. He, also, demonstrated how simple it is to use a cell phone and phone card that cannot be tracked. It is a common national

problem, and Chief Ross strongly recommended that residents do not send money anywhere without verification.

MINUTES: A motion was made by Mr. Vaughan, second by Mr. Ulrich, approving Minutes dated July 11, 2011. Upon roll call, all Supervisors voted affirmatively with the exception of Ms. Smith and Mr. Hummel, who abstained.

BUSINESS OFFICE:

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

General Fund - \$94,726.69
Refuse Tax Fund - \$25,421.48
Sewer District #2 Fund - \$9,492.38
Sewer District #3 Fund - \$31,311.72
Fire Protection Fund - \$19,294.21
Capital Fund Account - \$14,672.68
Trans Improvement Dist. - \$1,397.00

Upon roll call, all Supervisors voted affirmatively.

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

Waiver of Late Bill: A motion was made by Mr. Vaughan, second by Ms. Smith, waiving a \$60.00 bill for snow removal from the home of a resident, which was sent by the Business Office on June 29, 2011. Upon roll call, all Supervisors voted affirmatively. The Supervisors directed the Business Office to mail future bills promptly, during the appropriate season.

Parks and Recreation Department:

Colony Park Tennis Court Fence Project: A motion was made by Ms. Smith, second by Mr. Ulrich, authorizing the Director to advertise, accept and open bids for the Colony Park Tennis Court Fence Project. Upon roll call, all Supervisors voted affirmatively. (Budgeted Item)

Rescind, Reject and Rebid Police Station Roof/Gutter Contract: Having obtained additional information subsequent to awarding the Police Station Roof/Gutter Contract, a motion was made by Mr. Vaughan, second by Mr. Ulrich, authorizing the Director to rescind the contract, reject all bids, readvertise the revised project and accept and open bids. Upon roll call, all Supervisors voted affirmatively.

PUBLIC SAFETY:

Police Department:

Peach Festival – Public Gathering Permit: A motion was made by Ms. Smith, second by Mr. Hummel, approving a public gathering permit for the annual West Lawn United Methodist Church Peach Festival, on August 13, 2011, between 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 p.m., and waive the fee since the church assisted the Police Department during National Night Out. Upon roll call, all Supervisors voted affirmatively.

Handicapped Parking Space – 111 Telford Avenue: A motion was made by Mr. Vaughan, second by Mr. Ulrich, approving a new handicapped parking space for 111 Telford Avenue. Upon roll call, all Supervisors voted affirmatively.

Township of Spring Volunteer Fire Department:

Monthly Report: Supervisors received a monthly report from Chief Roth detailing activities of the TSVFD.

SOLICITOR:

Traffic Ordinance #379: A motion was made by Mr. Vaughan, second by Ms. Smith, adopting Traffic Ordinance #379, which updates parking regulations around and along Grandview Boulevard and amends and reinstates all Township parking regulations. Upon roll call, all Supervisors voted affirmatively.

Authorization and Advertisement of Amended Mercantile and Business Privilege Tax:

A motion was made by Ms. Smith, second by Mr. Hummel, directing the Solicitor to draft amendments to the Business Privilege and Mercantile Tax Ordinance and advertise the same. Upon roll call, all Supervisors voted affirmatively. These amendments will change collection by the Wilson School District from a quarterly to an annual billing.

NEW BUSINESS:

Gas Mileage Reimbursement: A motion was made by Mr. Vaughan, second by Ms. Smith, increasing the rate of gas mileage permitted by the IRS, effective July 1, 2011 through December 31, 2011. Upon roll call, all Supervisors voted affirmatively.

Berks Visiting Nurses Association Request: Although this association provides a great service to the community, it was agreed that the Township contribution to the Western Berks Ambulance Association fulfills the Township's duties as far as the health, safety and welfare of the residents.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Board of Supervisors meeting, August 22, 2011:

Old Lancaster Pike Hearing, 8:00 p.m.,

Will-O-Hill Zoning Change Hearing, 8:15 p.m.

The Supervisors assured Mr. Lubas that they had no objections to Kozloff Stoudt representing the Township during the Will-O-Hill hearing. Will-O-Hill is a client of Kozloff Stoudt.

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

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

Respectfully Submitted,

Sheryl Rowan, Township Secretary