

TOWAMENSING TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS' MEETING MINUTES
TOWAMENSING TOWNSHIP BUILDING
JANUARY 5, 2015

CALL TO ORDER

5:18 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL:

Penny Kleintop, Chairperson/Treasurer; Thomas Newman, Vice-Chairman; Guy Seifert, Supervisor; Thomas Nanovic, Solicitor; Brenda Drew, Secretary; Carl Faust, Zoning Officer - Absent; Greg Haas, Engineer - Absent.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Towamensing Township Meeting Minutes – December 30, 2014:

Motion: Supervisor Guy Seifert made a Motion to approve the Minutes, seconded by Vice-Chairperson Thomas Newman.

All in favor. Motion carried.

Bill List and Payroll from December 30, 2014 to January 5, 2015:

Motion: Supervisor Guy Seifert made a Motion to approve the Bill List and Payroll, seconded by Vice-Chairperson Thomas Newman.

All in favor. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report:

Motion: Supervisor Guy Seifert made a Motion to approve the Treasurer's Report, seconded by Vice-Chairperson Thomas Newman.

All in favor. Motion carried.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - 5 MINUTE LIMIT - Please sign the book if you would like to address the Board.

Linda Christman spoke as a representative of the committee opposing the PennEast Pipeline. She thanked the Board of Supervisors for their support and for hearing the concerns of the impacted residents. She presented changes to the draft of the pipeline opposition resolution. Some of these changes reflect what has been added based on the input of the Supervisors at the previous meeting. There was further discussion among concerned residents.

PLANS AND SUBDIVISIONS:

None.

OLD BUSINESS:

Supervisor Seifert made a recommendation that the Township appoint a new certified public accounting firm to audit the Township books. Notice will be given to Kirk, Summa & Co., LLP, that the Board is informally appointing them as auditors until the official thirty day advertising period is complete. This appointment is

to occur by resolution at the regularly scheduled Board of Supervisors Meeting on March 5, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS:

Approve date of Auditor's Meeting for Tuesday, January 6, 2015 at 3:00 p.m. These auditors are appointed to review and set wages for working Supervisors, which the Township currently does not have.

Motion: Supervisor Guy Seifert made a Motion to approve the meeting, seconded by Vice-Chairperson Thomas Newman.

All in favor. Motion carried.

Approve Annual Donations:

Carbon County Home Health Care - \$2,000.00

Palmerton Area Library - \$4,000.00

Towamensing Township Volunteer Fire Co. - \$5,000.00

Motion: Supervisor Guy Seifert made a Motion to approve the donations, seconded by Vice-Chairperson Thomas Newman.

All in favor. Motion carried.

Appoint Deputy Tax Collector:

Motion: Supervisor Guy Seifert made a Motion to appoint Karen Ernst as Deputy Tax Collector for Towamensing Township, seconded by Vice-Chairperson Thomas Newman.

All in favor. Motion carried.

HISTORICAL COMMISSION:

A report is available in the township office.

RECREATION COMMITTEE:

ROAD MASTER REPORT:

A report is available in the township office.

Residents may email questions or comments to: ttroad@ptd.net

ZONING OFFICER REPORT:

Available in township office

SEO REPORT:

Available in township office

FIRE COMPANY REPORT:

Available in township office

PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT:

Available in township office

CORRESPONDENCE:

Christmas tree pick-up is on January 15, 2015.

OFFICIALS:

Zoning Office hours for January 2015 - January 7, 14, 21 & 28 - 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.

Carl Faust, Towamensing Township Zoning & Code Enforcement Officer, can be reached by calling: 570-943-2577 or 610-681-4202.

Email: bmisinspector@gmail.com

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion: Guy Seifert made motion to adjourn, seconded by Vice-chairman Thomas Newman. All in favor. Motion carried.

6:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Brenda L. Drew, Secretary