

TOWAMENSING TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS MEETING MINUTES
TOWAMENSING TOWNSHIP BUILDING
AUGUST 2, 2012

CALL TO ORDER

7PM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Penny Kleintop, Chairperson/Treasurer; Tom Newman, Vice-Chairman; Guy Seifert, Supervisor; Thomas Nanovic, Solicitor; and Lora Nothstein, Secretary.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Towamensing Township Supervisor Meeting Minutes from July 5, 2012.

MOTION: Supervisor Guy Seifert made motion to accept Meeting Minutes, seconded by Vice-Chairman Tom Newman.

All in favor. Motion Carried

Towamensing Township Special Meeting Minutes from July 31, 2012.

MOTION: Supervisor Guy Seifert made motion to accept Meeting Minutes, seconded by Vice-Chairman Tom Newman.

All in favor. Motion Carried

Bill List & Payroll for July, 2012

MOTION: Vice-Chairman Tom Newman made motion to accept Bill List & Payroll, seconded by Supervisor Guy Seifert.

All in favor. Motion Carried

Treasure's Report

MOTION: Vice-Chairman Tom Newman made motion to accept Treasures Report, seconded by Supervisor Guy Seifert.

All in favor. Motion Carried

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

George Karas wanted to make supervisors aware of an erosion issue on Pohopoco & Beltzville Dr. Chairperson Penny Kleintop thanked Mr. Karas and said they would make the Road-master aware of the situation.

Patrick Gremling from the Woods Campground wanted to assure the supervisors that they have taken steps to make sure visitors to the campground will no longer trespass on other people's property by posting signs on the campground property to indicate the boundaries.

He also wanted the supervisors to post an additional sign to guide visitors to the alternate route around the Hemlock Street Bridge.

Supervisor Guy Seifert thanked Mr. Greimling for the timely manner in which he responded to the complaint about trespassing, and said he will inform the road master about the need for an additional sign. He also noted that Hemlock Bridge is "temporally" closed until a decision can be made on the cost of repairs or replacement of the bridge.

Wayne Knirnschild said the fire company was not notified of the closure of the bridge. He would like the road-master to give him a date on when he will be able to tar & chip the parking lot at the fire Company. Supervisor Guy Seifert apologized for not having the road-master notify the fire company of the closure. He also said he will have the road-master contact the fire chief and set up dates for the tar & chip.

PLANS AND SUBDIVISIONS

Pat Reese Subdivision

MOTION: Supervisor Guy Seifert made motion to conditionally approve Reese subdivision; pending payment of all engineering and recreation fees, seconded by Vice-Chairman Tom Newman.

All in favor. Motion Carried

Pennsylvania State Police Barracks

Due to the amount of information that was just made available to Supervisors and Township Engineer on Jul 31, 2012; Towamensing Township Supervisors asked for an extension and special meeting to be held on August 13, 2012 at 3:00PM.

Falling Creek Enterprises has granted the extension request.

MOTION: Vice-Chairman Tom Newman made motion to accept extension and meeting date, seconded by Supervisor Guy Seifert.

All in favor. Motion Carried

OLD BUSINESS

Sign Conditional Use; Keith and Janine Hahn

Completed

Historic Commission up-date; Greenzweig School

Karl Rolappe explained that he is still trying to set up a workshop with the Kuehner family. There has been lots of interest from residents of the township, some donating time to help with the clean-up and renovation others donating services, goods or money.

To date: Hager's in Palmerton, Shea's Hardware in Palmerton, Jim & Jan Everett; Country Junction, Rudy Wolf, Keystone Consulting, Nanovic Law Office; Tom Nanovic.

NEW BUSINESS

Appoint David DelGrosso to planning commission

MOTION: Vice-Chairman Tom Newman made motion to appoint Mr. DelGrosso to Planning Commission, seconded by Supervisor Guy Seifert.

All in favor. Motion Carried

Look into getting an intern from LCCC to organize files in the zoning office.

Nuisance/Property Maintenance Ordinance Draft proposal & action needed to enforce ordinance; Hiring a constable to enforce ordinance.

Sal Lizzio constable for the township, will get a fee schedule for the township on what he will charge on a per-diem basis to enforce the stand alone ordinance.

Earned Income Tax now being collected by Burkheimer; Passed on July 25, 2012 at the EIT Commission meeting.

ROAD MASTER REPORT

Available in township office

You can now email the road master you questions or comments: ttroad@ptd.net

ZONING OFFICER REPORT

Available in township office

SEO REPORT

Available in township office

FIRE COMPANY REPORT

Available in township office

CORRESPONDENCE

Card from Marian Kramer

OFFICIALS

Zoning Office hours for August 2012.

August 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th, from 5:00PM to 7:00PM

Zoning Officer can be contacted at the township web site for additional appointments:

info@towamensingtownship.com; in comments put attention Christine or by phone:

610-681-4202 ext: 3

ADJOURNMENT

9:00PM

MOTION: Vice-Chairman Tom Newman made motion to adjourn; seconded by Supervisor Guy Seifert.

All in favor. Motion Carried