

**TOWAMENSING TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS MEETING MINUTES**  
**TOWAMENSING TOWNSHIP BUILDING**  
**July 7, 2011**

**CALL TO ORDER**  
**7PM**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**ROLL CALL**

Penny Kleintop, Chairperson/Treasurer; Tom Newman, Vice-Chairman; Rodney George, Supervisor/Road Master; and Lora Nothstein, Secretary \_\_\_\_.

Thomas Nanovic, Solicitor; Absent

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Towamensing Township Supervisors Meeting June 2, 2011

Motion made by Supervisor Rodney George, seconded by Vice-Chairman Tom Newman.  
Vote: 3 to 0. All in Favor.

Approval of Bill List 7/1/2011

Motion made by Vice-Chairman Tom Newman, seconded by Supervisor Rodney George.  
Vote: 3 to 0. All in Favor.

**Treasures Report**

Motion made by Supervisor Rodney George, seconded by Vice-Chairman Tom Newman.  
Vote: 3 to 0. All in Favor.

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

**Guy Seifert** asked supervisors what the Environmental Awareness on the bill list was for.

Secretary Lora Nothstein explained it is for Tamaqua Transfer, where the township takes the residential garbage for processing.

He also wanted to know how much the township is paying for asphalt.

Chairperson Penny Kleintop said we do not have that information at the moment but we will get you the information.

Guy Seifert wanted to know that when the paver was purchased did it come with training. If not is the township getting a refund because they did a lousy job on Koch Road? Did the township receive any complaints about the road?

Supervisor George explained that the original person who was to come and train the crew was injured that day and could not come by the time he was notified the asphalt was ordered and it was a case of use it or pay for it and waste it. They had some trouble with the paver, the bugs have since been worked out and the rest of Koch Road has been done except for shoulders. Lower Towamensing did help with equipment and man power. We had no complaints and none received in the office.

**Russel Unangst** addressed the supervisors about the drainage and shoulder of the road at his property; 455 Margaret St. He said it has been an ongoing problem for six years, and the township garbage truck and winter plows have made it worse, He wants the township to fix the issue.

Chairperson Penny Kleintop said the Township will call Carbon Engineering and have the Township Engineer Ron Tirpak come out and look at the situation, Mr. Unangst will be contacted as to the date and time of the inspection.

**Earl Beers** addressed the supervisors in regards to the “NO TRESSPESSING” signs posted at the Summer Mt. Rd. Ball Field.

Chairperson Penny Kleintop said the signs were put up to keep hunters off the property.

Mr. Beers stated that the sign should be changed to a “NO HUNTING” sign to keep hunters off and safety zone signs should be in place.

Chairperson Penny Kleintop said he is correct and the signs will be replaced.

Mr. Beers also asked the supervisors if there is a ledger on what has been spent on the Townships Forest Inn property. He also wanted to know if the Township had a Highway Occupancy Permit for the driveway.

Chairperson Penny Kleintop explained that we do not have a ledger but we do have records, and if he would like to see the records he can make a request of the open records officer. And the Township applied for the permit, the permit will be issued after the project (if any) is completed and the permit will then be issued to the Township from the State.

**Mary Beth Beers** told the supervisors of a bear problem in her neighborhood, she asked that her neighbors do not place garbage curbside till day of pick-up.

## **PLANS AND SUBDIVISIONS**

Carbon Engineering requesting waiver (modification) from the SALDO requirement to control post-development peak discharge rates to below pre-development levels [Sec. 801.5 and Sec. 805.2.]. Koch Bridge Project.

Motion made by Vice-Chairman Tom Newman, seconded by Supervisor Rodney George.

Vote: 3 to 0. All in Favor.

Ellen Haydt minimum use driveway permit application.

Motion made by Supervisor Rodney George, seconded by Vice-Chairman Tom Newman.

Vote: 3 to 0. All in Favor.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

Update on Hanover Engineering: SALDO & Zoning

Chairperson Penny Kleintop said that both Lower Towamensing and Towamensing Townships have signed the agreement with Hanover Engineering. The Townships will be looking to set up the first meeting in September. Cost is \$16,000.00 per township with a \$4,000.00 per township savings. Grant money is being looked into to pay for part of the project.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Resignation of tax collector Mary Beers

Motion made by Vice-Chairman Tom Newman, seconded by Supervisor Rodney George.

Vote: 3 to 0. All in Favor.

Advertise for new Tax Collector

Motion made by Vice-Chairman Tom Newman, seconded by Supervisor Rodney George.

Vote: 3 to 0. All in Favor.

## **ROAD MASTER**

Update on Electric for compacter.

Supervisor Rodney George said we are still waiting for information from PPL as to when they will put in line. He said he had contacted electricians to put lines in building and only received one response from Frable Electric.

Vice Chairman Tom Newman suggested township call for more bids.

Motion made by Vice-Chairman Tom Newman, seconded by Supervisor Rodney George.

Vote: 3 to 0. All in Favor.

Open Bids for Line Painting, Diesel Fuel, Heating Oil & Truck Salvage.

Bids were awarded to:

David Beers Jr. \$1,129.77 for Truck Salvage

R.F. Ohl \$ 3.751 per gallon delivered Heating Oil

R.F. Ohl \$ 3.643 per gallon delivered Diesel Fuel

Interstate Road \$11,682.00 Line Painting

Motion made by Supervisor Rodney George, seconded by Vice-Chairman Tom Newman.

Vote: 3 to 0. All in Favor.

Place a sign on Summer Mt. Road & Bartholomew Drive that will direct drivers to stop if going straight but allow them to turn without stopping when making the right turn.

Motion made by Vice-Chairman Tom Newman, seconded by Supervisor Rodney George.

Vote: 3 to 0. All in Favor.

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

Donation letter from Amazing Grace

Motion made to donate \$1,000.00 dollars in two (2) payments of \$500.00 each.

Motion made by Vice-Chairman Tom Newman, seconded by Supervisor Rodney George.

Vote: 3 to 0. All in Favor.

## **OFFICIALS**

Zoning Office hours for July

July 6<sup>st</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> from 5:00PM to 7:00PM

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

[info@towamensingtownship.com](mailto:info@towamensingtownship.com); in comments put attention Christine or by phone: 610-681-4202 ext: 11

Meeting July 11, 2011 6pm; CART & Commissioner Getz at the Commissioner's Office, Jim Thorpe.

Garbage must be curbside by 6am and no cans or bags over 50lbs will be accepted. Township is not responsible for clean-up of broken bags or garbage that is violated by animals.

Chairperson Penny Kleintop reminded residents that The Kibler School will be holding its 3 Thursdays in July: July 14<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup>. And Roy Christman invited the Historic Commission to hold its July Meeting at the Kibler School.

Vice-chairman Tom Newman said the county is working on emergency plans for the school districts in Carbon County and he will work with the new elementary principle to develop an evacuation plan that will utilize the Towamensing Township Buildings and the Fire Company Building.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion made by Supervisor Rodney George, seconded by Vice-Chairman Tom Newman.

Vote: 3 to 0. All in Favor.

**8:30pm**