

**TOWAMENSING TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS MEETING  
TOWAMENSING TOWNSHIP BUILDING  
JUNE 3, 2010**

**CALL TO ORDER**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**ROLL CALL**

**PRESENT:**

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

**NOT PRESENT:**

Rodney George; Supervisor/Road Master

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Towamensing Township Supervisors Meeting Minutes of MAY 1, 2010

Motion made by Vice-Chairman Tom Newman. Seconded by Chairperson Penny Kleintop

All in Favor; Vote 2 to 0

**RADIFY BILL LIST #4-30-2010**

\$120.00 to Jim Thorpe National for copies of 2009 Bank Statements needed for Audit.

Motion made by Vice-Chairman Tom Newman. Seconded by Chairperson Penny Kleintop

All in Favor; Vote 2 to 0

JNTB called Chairperson Kleintop and they will be refunding the \$120.00 to the township.

**APPROVAL OF BILL LIST #5-31-2010 AND PAYROLL**

Motion made by Vice-Chairman Tom Newman. Seconded by Chairperson Penny Kleintop

All in Favor; Vote 2 to 0

**Treasures Report**

Motion made by Vice-Chairman Tom Newman. Seconded by Chairperson Penny Kleintop

All in Favor; Vote 2 to 0

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

**Wayne Knirnschild** told supervisors he sees no need for a burn ordinance and letter need to be send to residents on Forest St. to place address signs on mail boxes or houses, fire and rescue cannot find homes in the dark without proper reflective signs.

**William Acierno** said he would be in favor of a burn ordinance, he is having trouble with a neighbor who is burning and causing his wife health issues.

**Guy Seifert** said a lot of residents would like to contribute information to a workshop on burning in the Township.

**Glen Beers** said any ordinance that is constructed has to have specific verbiage about what can and cannot be burned.

**Susie Seifert** expressed concern that people with small properties that cant burn to get rid of leaves and things will dump them along the roads or on other people's property.

**Vice-Chairman Newman** said the burn ordinance will not stop normal burning such as leaves or brush it will stop residents from placing burn barrels on property lines and using common courtesy when burning. DEP guidelines will apply.

**David Zacharias** asked how dumpster pickup is priced.

Chairperson Penny Kleintop said that we are working with primitive records and pricing is going on size of dumpster, how many times emptied and weather the dumpster is full or not. This information comes from the workers.

**Daniel Zacharias** asked about garbage collection for homes that no one lives in at this time.

Solicitor Tom Nanovic said the Township strictly sends bills to every homeowner.

**Roy Christman** said each of the four municipalities in the regional comprehensive plan have appointed two people to discuss the implementation agreement. Palmerton is unhappy with the agreement the way it is and if they pull out Towamensing and Lower Towamensing could still form a regional plan. The DCED said being in a plan puts applicants for grants above those not sent from a municipality in a plan.

**Terri Meecham** asked if anything was done about the raw sewage in Beltzville Lake Estates.

**Chairperson Kleintop** explained again to Mrs. Meecham that until they and the other residents involved resolve the surface water issue there is nothing else the Township can do.

## **SUBDIVISIONS**

Lot Line Deletion on the Josh Roderick Property.

Tabled

## **OLD BUSINESS**

Set workshop date for Unregistered and Unlicensed Motor Vehicles, ATV'S, Burning Restrictions and Fines to be imposed on violators.

Date set for June 24<sup>th</sup> 7PM

Motion made by Vice-Chairman Tom Newman. Seconded by Chairperson Penny Kleintop

All in Favor; Vote 2 to 0

Deer Lane Sheriff Sale: June 11, 2010 @ 11AM in Carbon County Courthouse.

Towamensing Township and Lower Towamensing Township Equipment Sale was held May 18, 2010 5PM.

Total Gross Revenue for Towamensing Township \$15,526.15 Net \$12,537.12.

Date for Agricultural Security Board Meeting; June 10<sup>th</sup> at 7PM.

Motion made by Vice-Chairman Tom Newman. Seconded by Chairperson Penny Kleintop

All in Favor; Vote 2 to 0

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Opened bids on for Lovitt Road Project.

Awarded Tabled- Date set to award bid June 8, 2010.

Motion made by Vice-Chairman Tom Newman. Seconded by Chairperson Penny Kleintop

All in Favor; Vote 2 to 0

Approval for the Township to have a stand at Village Fest. \$ Fee 75.00

Motion made by Chairperson Penny Kleintop, seconded by Vice-Chairman Tom Newman.

All in Favor; Vote 2 to 0.

Well Isolation Distance Exemption Request; Hans Windhorn Property.

Motion made by Vice-Chairman Tom Newman. Seconded by Chairperson Penny Kleintop

All in Favor; Vote 2 to 0

Resolution for Audit of Real-estate Taxes. Needs to be done every two years.

Motion made by Vice-Chairman Tom Newman. Seconded by Chairperson Penny Kleintop

All in Favor; Vote 2 to 0

Approval for Secretary Lora Nothstein to attend Advanced Quick Books Training given by Frey & Company, Walnutport PA; June 25<sup>th</sup> & July 9<sup>th</sup> or 16<sup>th</sup>, cost for the two days of classes \$100.00.

Motion made by Vice-Chairman Tom Newman. Seconded by Chairperson Penny Kleintop

All in Favor; Vote 2 to 0

Return of Copier/Scanner/Printer for full refund \$800.00 (S & O Computers ordered the wrong one). Purchase Copier/Scanner/Printer w/Duplexer \$960.00.

Motion made by Vice-Chairman Tom Newman. Seconded by Chairperson Penny Kleintop

All in Favor; Vote 2 to 0

Approval for Township Office to order new Resolution and Ordinance Books.

Motion made by Vice-Chairman Tom Newman. Seconded by Chairperson Penny Kleintop

All in Favor; Vote 2 to 0

## **ROAD MASTER**

Update on what is being done with runoff on Johnson Lane, Beltzville Dr. and culvert on corner of Stable & Strohls Valley Rd.

Tabled

Drain issue from Municipal property onto Beers Property.

Tabled

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

Thank you letter from Zinc City Motorcycle Club

Letter from Patricia Snyder requesting PMRS Administrator (Lora Nothstein) sign and return forms for the release of her pension.

Letter from Joe Faraldo (interest in zoning hearing board)

Tabled until Zoning Hearing Board meets to re-organize and Mr. Faraldo can be interviewed.

## **OFFICIALS**

Village Fest at the Towamensing Township Fire Company is being held July 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>; Volunteers are needed call Betty Knirmschild 610-681-5071.

Recreation Committee is still in the process of re-organizing; Soccer and Baseball representatives will meet July 15, 2010 at 7PM

Miller Blood Bank is having a Blood Drive at Polk Fire Company June 7<sup>th</sup> from 8AM to 8PM. Please take the time to help them by "GIVING THE GIFT OF LIFE".

Historic Commission will hold its June 9<sup>th</sup> meeting @ 480 Beers Lane, Palmerton @ 7PM.

Zoning Office hours for June

June 5<sup>th</sup>, 9AM to 11AM

June 7<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup>, 5PM to 7PM

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

Chairperson Penny Kleintop Called Executive Session at 8:15PM to discuss Forest Inn Farms.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion made by Vice-Chairman Tom Newman. Seconded by Chairperson Penny Kleintop

All in Favor; Vote 2 to 0

Time: 8:35PM