

EAST MANCHESTER TOWNSHIP
Board of Supervisors
March 8, 2016

Present: Chairman Steven H. Gross, Jr., Vice-Chairman David L. Naylor, Supervisor Barry E. Rudisill, Attorney Andrew Miller, Dave Gentzler, Manager/Secretary/Treasurer, Engineer Byron Trout, Zoning Officer Kristie Masemer, Recording Secretary, and thirteen citizens.

At a regular meeting held at the township building, Chairman Steven H. Gross, Jr. called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given to the Flag of the United States of America.

Chairman Gross disclosed that since the meeting on February 9, 2016, the Board neither met nor conducted any business.

Motion by Supervisor Rudisill, second by Vice Chairman Naylor, to approve the minutes of the meeting of February 9, 2016. All members voted aye; motion carried.

Public Comments

From the audience, Joel Klinedinst voice his concern that PennDOT is becoming lax in maintaining some roads in the Township. There is some post-storm/post-winter damage that hasn't been attended to yet. He fears for the motorists' safety along those roads. Mr. Gentzler agrees and is amenable to writing a letter to PennDOT voicing these concerns. He will do so and will copy the appropriate state legislator.

Emergency Services Report

Fire Chief's Report – Chief Stevens distributed (to the Board members) packets with maps and updated box alarms. He noted that he did not discuss this with the other fire chief, as he (the other chief) had previously stated that he didn't want to discuss the matter with Chief Stevens.

Emergency Management Coordinator Bud Staub, newly minted Constable, informed the board and public of Church Rd closing in April. Also, there will be no TMI drill this year. There's still a question on receiving any federal funding for snow damage for this past winter. Also, he gave a presentation on safety to The Red Hat Society ladies group which was well attended and well received.

Special Request

Jake Brakes/Engine Retarder sign – Canal Road Extended – no one was present on this matter, but the Board discussed the issue. Vice Chairman Naylor feels that this section of the road is not appropriate for truck travel in the first place. He feels that the Board should further examine this matter to determine if the road should be closed to truck traffic. Supervisor Rudisill feels that signs prohibiting jake brakes may not accomplish anything. Mr. Gentzler agrees with Vice Chairman Naylor. Is there a way to prevent trucks on this road? Mr. Gentzler can do some research if the Board members agree. He mentioned that it might be helpful to put up some directional signs indicating the way to get to Route 83, which is likely where many of the truck drivers are headed. From the audience, Joel Klinedinst urged the Board members to carefully proceed with signs indicating "local delivery only" as that can have a broad interpretation.

Correspondence

York County Real Estate Market Report – on file

York Water Company water main rehabilitation report – the water company is lining the older
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water mains in the Smith Garden Development

Northeastern York County History in Preservation (NeyChip) – no one was present on this matter.

Solicitor's report – Attorney Andrew Miller

- At 7:30 p.m., a Public Hearing was convened for the purpose of discussing the Ordinance amendments, as recommended by the Planning Commission. There were no questions or comments by any audience members. Hearing closed at 7:34 p.m. **Motion by Supervisor Rudisill, second by Vice Chairman Naylor, to adopt Ordinance #2016-1, the SALDO Ordinance Amendment, with all appropriate corrections as presented. All members voted aye; motion carried.**
- JJ Four Developers Agreement – James Craft was present on this issue concerning Dollar General. Attorney Miller covered the details of the agreement. Mr. Kraft requested an extension of time to complete public improvements along Sherman Street from twelve to fifteen months, and using eminent domain, if all other reasonable measures fail, to obtain ROWs if local homeowners are reluctant to grant the road widening ROW. Discussion was held. **Motion by Vice Chairman Naylor, second by Supervisor Rudisill, to approve only the first part of the requested change to the agreement, an extension of time from twelve to fifteen months to complete public improvements along Sherman Street. All members voted aye; motion carried.** Mr. Miller noted that this agreement must be executed before the plan is approved.
- Floodplain Ordinance grant money – no discussion held

Engineer's report – Byron Trout

Inspections

Plan reviews

Correspondence

MS4 and Chesapeake Bay Plans

Mr. Trout received a complaint from a resident on Saginaw Road on a drainage issue. The homeowner's neighbor had a septic system replaced, and now there are ruts in the complainant's yard, which is diverting the runoff out of the normal drainage area. Mr. Trout will send a letter to the homeowners to indicate that this is a private matter, and a solution would be for the area to be re-graded to remove the ruts and restore the drainage area to its previous state.

Secretary/Treasurer/Manager's report – Dave Gentzler

Sewer Authority – Minutes are on file for review. Joel Klinedinst is the Vice Chairman of the Sewer Authority. From the audience, Mr. Klinedinst noted that several pump stations are nearing the end of their natural lives. Two will be discontinued; two will be upgraded. Not any time soon, but keep it in mind for the future. A reserve fund for emergency expenditures will be in place by next month or so.

Recreation Board – Minutes are on file for review. Discussion was held on the radio control group's activities, which are becoming more than Mr. Gentzler originally understood. He is willing to keep in touch with the group to make sure everything is suitable. Also, Mr. Gentzler noted that PPL has not kept up its end of the deal to install baseball fields. The Recreation Board has asked to use the money from recreation fees to install the fields. Is that a viable option? Likely not, as the Township doesn't own the property. From the audience, Jason Johnson noted that there's a great need for baseball fields in the township. He noted that it might be possible for those involved to do the work themselves without waiting for PPL/Talon to act. It was noted that the land lease expires next year.

Zoning Officer – How'd it all work out with the snow removal citations? No one pled not guilty. Mrs.

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Masemer will check the status of all the notices and will report in April. Mrs. Masemer noted that the Brunner Island plan was recorded today. Shady Lane's plan will be recorded on Thursday, as well as Verizon's plan.

Public Works Director – No questions on the report.

Mr. Gentzler noted that there was an error on the December 8, 2015, Board of Supervisors minutes: the last paragraph on page 4, Brunner Island in the motion should be 475 Shady Lane. **Motion by Supervisor Rudisill, second by Vice Chairman Naylor to amend the minutes as discussed.** *Discussion:* Vice Chairman Naylor feels that the Board can't actually change the minutes after they were approved and published, but instead must make a note in the margin. Mr. Miller agreed. *Motion rescinded.* **Motion by Vice Chairman Naylor, second by Chairman Gross, to authorize the Manager to correct, in the margin, the minutes of December 8, 2015, and to correct the online version, too. All members voted aye; motion carried.**

1970 John Deere Motor Grader – Mr. Gentzler updated the Board members on the replacement of the very old grader. He and the road crew investigated the choices, including a used 2008 model at a cost of about \$130K, and a new grader at a cost of about \$230K, less trade-in value. From the audience, Blaine Rentzel asked how many hours the grader is used – Mr. Gentzler was unable to estimate at this time. Mr. Gentzler noted that this winter, the road crew didn't use the grader at all, partly because it does not have front-wheel drive. Mr. Rentzel feels that the cheapest model is the new one. How about a different manufacturer? Mr. Gentzler feels that the John Deere models are more "township-friendly" as opposed to construction site oriented. The Board members agreed that it would be nice to review the information for a vote next month.

Mr. Gentzler reported that Nate Heindel was awarded the "Road Scholar" award, for completing highway maintenance training.

He also reiterated the road closing that Mr. Staub mentioned.

Mr. Gentzler recommends re-bidding the equipment portion of the bids.

Motion by Chairman Gross, second by Supervisor Rudisill, to award the bid for micro-surface to Stewart and Tate; the bid for stone aggregate to Kinsley; and the bid for plant mix asphalt to York Materials Group. All members voted aye; motion carried.

Motion by Vice Chairman Naylor, second by Supervisor Rudisill, to reject all equipment bids and rebid the equipment. All members voted aye; motion carried.

Land Development/Subdivision –

None at this time.

Supervisor's comments

Vice Chairman David L. Naylor – any updates on the proposed interchange? Mr. Gentzler is continuing the communication and is presently awaiting a call.

Supervisor Barry E. Rudisill – No updates on the storage of farm equipment in a residential district. Mrs. Masemer's still working on it. Also, still trying to clean up the discrepancies on the EDU situation.

Chairman Steven H. Gross, Jr. – Billing JJFour for the legal and engineering work done? Yes.

Motion by Chairman Gross, second by Supervisor Rudisill, to pay the bills as presented. All members voted aye; motion carried.

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Motion by Chairman Gross, second by Supervisor Rudisill, to *recess* the meeting to an Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter. **All members voted aye; motion carried.** The meeting recessed at 8:40 p.m.

Motion by Chairman Gross, second by Supervisor Rudisill, to adjourn. All members voted aye; motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dave Gentzler
Secretary/Treasurer/Manager

Julie B. Maher,
Recording Secretary