

**EAST MANCHESTER TOWNSHIP**  
**Board of Supervisors**  
**April 26, 2017**

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 12 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 March 22, 2017, 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 March 22, 2017. All members voted aye; motion carried.**

**Public Comments**

Nothing at this time.

**Emergency Services Report**

Fire Chief's Report – no comments or questions on the report on file.

**Special Request**

Nothing at this time.

**Correspondence**

Assessment Hearings and Assessment Decisions –

The Tax Assessment office received 157 assessment appeal applications made by the owner of the Rolling Meadows/Rentzel Development. Does the Township need or want to appear at the hearing? No.

Volunteer EMS Tax Incentives (Act 172 of 2016) – Vice Chairman Naylor would like to get the Fire Chief's opinion and assessment on this issue.

Susquehanna River Basin Commission – Talen Water Wells – permits are still in the works. The Township has already filed its comments and/or objections concerning this subject.

**Solicitor's report** – Attorney Andrew Miller

- Municipal Waste Contract – **Motion by Vice Chairman Naylor, second by Supervisor Rudisill, to approve Resolution #2017-7, adopting the municipal waste contract as presented. All members voted aye; motion carried.** Bid award will be at the June Board of Supervisors meeting.
- Orchard Business Park – progress still being made. No action required at this time.

**Engineer's report** – Byron Trout

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MS4 and Chesapeake Bay Plan

Mr. Trout will have a meeting with the Conservation District at Green Ridge for their stormwater basin issues to wrap that up.

The PRP Plan is due September 16, 2017. Mr. Trout is still awaiting cost information. EMT does have a project in this Plan proposal, so funding may be an option. Always good news. Discussion was held on opting out – if the Township opts out of the County’s plan, it would need to present its own PRP Plan, which will be a costly measure, to be sure. If that’s what the Township is leaning toward, Mr. Trout needs to know ASAP so that he can begin preparing the proposal. What if the Township does nothing? Is there any history of a municipality refusing to take action? Not that Mr. Trout knows. Surely some consequences would result, but exactly what those might be is unknown.

**Secretary/Treasurer/Manager’s report – Dave Gentzler**

*Sewer Authority* – Joel Klinedinst noted that the Authority was awarded a grant of \$175K for treatment plant upgrades. Total project cost is \$1.2M or so.

*Recreation Board* –

Letter to Board of Supervisors -- The Dunbars were present to discuss additional security for Manchester Park; equipment rearranging for better design; equipment upgrades desired; stormwater concerns. Any expenses for this project would be shared with Manchester Borough. The Supervisors requested cost estimates and verification from Manchester Borough that it’s on board for cost-sharing. The Dunbars will research and report back.

Also, Starview UCC Church has a 3.6-acre property for sale that is looking attractive for purchase as recreational use. There are ROW problems that would need to be addressed. Does the Township feel that this would be advisable? The property would need to be appraised first, too. Some research will be done to see if there’s a possibility of another ROW (Saginaw Road?), who owns the cemetery, road frontage, etc.

*Public Works Director* –

Snow removal equipment is stored (amen!), and street sweeping is underway. Power washer is installed. Gut Road has been graded already.

2017 Line Painting Quotes – Discussion was held on the line painting quotes that were received. Mr. Gentzler recommended Alpha Space. **Motion by Vice Chairman Naylor, second by Chairman Gross, to award the line painting to Alpha Space Control. All members voted aye; motion carried.**

*Zoning Officer* – a request has been made for a Zoning Hearing for next month. No movement on the Variances granted by the ZHB in March. No progress on the Knaub/Stewart and Tate property. Orchard Business Park might be presented to the Supervisors in May. Issued 33 violations.

*Zoning Officer Correspondence* – no discussion.

*Planning Commission Minutes* -- no discussion.

*Zoning Hearing Board Decision* -- on file.

Firemen’s Workman’s Compensation Insurance – Postponed until the next meeting, to make sure the figures have been verified. Mr. Gentzler will have that information for the May meeting.

Bid Awards – road work and equipment rental

Equipment Rental – **Motion by Chairman Gross, second by Supervisor Rudisill, to award the equipment rental for 2017 to Stewart and Tate. All members voted aye; motion carried.**

**Motion by Chairman Gross, second by Vice Chairman Naylor, to award the micro-surface contract to Stewart and Tate for \$189,070.00. All members voted aye; motion carried.**

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**Motion by Chairman Gross, second by Supervisor Rudisill, to award stone aggregate to York Building Products as presented. All members voted aye; motion carried.**

**Motion by Supervisor Rudisill, second by Vice Chairman Naylor, to award the plant mix, asphalt (blacktop) to York Materials Group. All members voted aye; motion carried.**

Also, Mr. Gentzler reported that Conewago Township wants to purchase the CAT roller.

In the past, Conewago Township has lent equipment to East Manchester Township and has given the Township a piece of equipment at no charge. Mr. Gentzler will, on the authorization of the Board, ask Conewago Township to make an offer for the roller.

#### **Land Development/Subdivision –**

Nothing at this time.

#### **Supervisor's comments**

*Vice Chairman David L. Naylor* – He has received compliments from residents on the road crew's work. He asked Mr. Gentzler to please pass that along to the crew. Will do. Supervisor Rudisill corroborated.

*Supervisor Barry E. Rudisill* – surety for Steamboat Boulevard? The work has been completed, and the surety will expire. Good.

*Chairman Steven H. Gross, Jr.* – the Board will (tonight) sign letters of kudos to Emergency Management persons, Budd Staub and Wade Witt.

The 2016 audit was completed and presented to the Board of Supervisors. No issues.

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

The Board will have a brief, no-action-taken Executive Session following tonight's meeting.

**Motion by Chairman Gross, second by Supervisor Rudisill, to adjourn. All members voted aye; motion carried.** The meeting adjourned at 8 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dave Gentzler  
Secretary/Treasurer/Manager

Julie B. Maher,  
Recording Secretary