

EAST MANCHESTER TOWNSHIP
Board of Supervisors
September 10, 2013

Present: Vice-Chairman David L. Naylor, Supervisor Barry E. Rudisill, Attorney Christian Miller, Dave Gentzler, Manager/Secretary/Treasurer, Engineer Byron Trout, Zoning Officer Jon Beck, Recording Secretary, and eight citizens. Absent: Chairman Steven H. Gross, Jr.

At a regular meeting held at the township building, Vice-Chairman Naylor 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.

Amendment to the minutes of the meeting of August 13, 2013: page 2, fifth or sixth line from bottom, when quoting Mr. White, "don't" should be "doesn't." Mr. Gentzler will correct it.
Motion by Supervisor Rudisill, second by Vice-Chairman Naylor, to approve the minutes of the meeting of August 13, 2013, as amended. All members voted aye; motion carried.

Public Comments

Floyd White wondered why there's a charge to have a yard sale. Mr. Gentzler and Mr. Beck explained. There's a \$5 permit fee, which was adopted years ago to discourage the "permanent yard sale" problem. Mr. Beck feels that this is not a prudent practice, since it affects only a very small percentage of the population. Most Township residents abide by the normal yard sale practices. Mr. Beck proposed that the Township make a regulation stating that a resident may have a few yard sales per year (whatever number the Board feels is acceptable) with no permit. A permit and charge would be made for circumstances over and above. The codes enforcement officer would handle any violations. It does make sense for the residents to notify the Township of the intent to hold a yard sale (whether by mail, e-mail, or hand-delivery) so that the number of sales can be tracked, with an eye towards being aware of violations, without a huge staff expense/cost. This proposal will be presented at budget time this year. As for community yard sales: there should be a way for each community to do this without each resident/household involved having to notify the Township that they are participating in this large venture. Staff will figure this out.

Mr. White also requested that the speed limit on Board Road should be 25 mph from Meeting House Road to the police station. Mr. White illustrated the hazard of trying to rush into one's new driveway to avoid oncoming traffic, with the bump at the end of the driveway forcing the vehicle to slow down, creating a dangerous situation, what with the speed limit being greater than 25 mph. A traffic study would have to be done, and this area will be included.

Motion by Supervisor Rudisill, second by Vice-Chairman Naylor, to authorize a traffic study for Board Road from Meeting House Road to the police station, to reduce the speed limit to 25 if the study warrants. All members voted aye; motion carried.

Emergency Services Report

Wayne Bush filed his August 2013 report with the Board prior to tonight's meeting.

Joe Stevens presented his report for August 2013. Both fire companies involved in the merger were awarded the Judges' Award for the merger efforts. The merger is progressing. It was noted that the attorney handling the merger is working on a pro bono basis.

Special Request

York County Rail Trail Authority – requesting a donation of \$500. This is not a budgeted item and the Township has not budgeted in the past. No donation this year.

US Roadrunning – request for road closings on April 19, 2014, from 8 -11:30 a.m. and October 25, 8 -11:30 a.m., for the roads involved in the half-marathon. **Motion by Supervisor Rudisill, second by Vice-Chairman Naylor, to approve the appropriate road closings on the above dates for the US Roadrunning half-marathon and that this be coordinated with the local police. All members voted aye; motion carried.**

York County Quick Response Team – asking for a donation. The police board does give a donation from funds received from all the municipalities. That'll do. Mr. Gentzler will send a letter to the QRT indicating that the Township supports this team via the Township's donation to the police department.

Lion's Club -- **Motion by Vice-Chairman Naylor, second by Supervisor Rudisill, to donate \$2500 to the Lion's Club to help offset the costs of the Halloween parade. All members voted aye; motion carried.**

Correspondence

Wellspan – the Board reviewed a document from Wellspan explaining they will no longer provide advanced life support. Wayne Bush, Northeastern EMA, told the Board that service to the Township will remain adequate through other providers.

Solicitor's report – Attorney Christian Miller

- Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance Amendments – the Planning Commission is still reviewing these amendments.
- Ag security request – no news.
- Green Ridge Street Adoptions – liquid fuels road dedication date has passed. It might be a good idea to request a donation from the developer to cover the lost liquid fuels funds. Mr. Miller reported that there should be no problem with the Board adopting these streets, per Mr. Gentzler, to appease the residents' requests for snow removal, etc., but it would be necessary to have the streets paved first. The problem could be that the developer doesn't complete the work, wouldn't maintain the streets during the winter, and the residents would be without proper snow removal services yet again. Right now, outstanding items on the punch list are the paving and maintenance bond. Mr. Gentzler recommends if the developer completes the work, and donates the lost liquid fuels funding, the Township should adopt the streets. Mr. Miller suggests that the Board *table* this issue until the October Board of Supervisors meeting, subject to the paving being done and all the outstanding items being addressed. Mr. Trout has had no response from Keystone to his numerous requests for information/action. The work is indeed being done, Mr. Trout said, but slowly. Because the site is active, pulling the bond might not really be an option. If the bond is indeed pulled, the Township would need to do the work. This item will be included on the Board's agenda for October. Mr. Miller was authorized to request information on the maintenance bond on the Green Ridge development, in the hopes that a simple request for information might generate some movement.
- NEYCSA Bond Guaranty – everything's on schedule.

Engineer's report – Byron Trout

Inspections

Plan reviews – one land development and two subdivision plans have been submitted.

Correspondence

Green Ridge – discussed during the Solicitor's report.

Rentzel farm – nothing further heard following the Board's denial of the bond reduction.

Secretary/Treasurer/Manager's report – Dave Gentzler

Sewer Authority – no questions

Recreation Board – no minutes

Public Works Director – no questions

Zoning Officer – no questions

Pension Plan MMO – estimate given to provide the Township with budget information.

Health Care Renewal – for budget purposes, effective 11/2013 to 11/2014, increasing 4.8% per month. **Motion by Vice-Chairman Naylor, second by Supervisor Rudisill, to renew the health insurance coverage with HealthAmerica. All members voted aye; motion carried.**

York County Supervisors' Convention – November 14, 2013. **Motion by Vice-Chairman Naylor, second by Supervisor Rudisill, to authorize the attendance at the Convention by the three Supervisors, the Township Manager, and the tax collector. All members voted aye; motion carried.**

Land Development/Subdivision – nothing at this time.

Supervisor's comments

Vice Chairman David L. Naylor – thanks to the Planning Commission for their continuing work on the SALDO and Zoning Ordinance amendments.

Supervisor Barry E. Rudisill – new truck is delivered and in operation. Old one in the process of being sold. Requested an update of the list of Township employees and elected officials. This is usually done at the beginning of the year; fine. **Motion by Supervisor Rudisill, second by Vice-Chairman Naylor, to advertise 5100 North Sherman for bid for purchase and hopefully move the house within a definite timetable. All members voted aye; motion carried.**

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

Motion by Supervisor Rudisill, second by Vice-Chairman Naylor, to adjourn. All members voted aye; motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:44 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dave Gentzler
Secretary/Treasurer/Manager

Julie B. Maher,
Recording Secretary