

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
 Work Session
 January 20, 2010

PRESENT	ATTENDEES:	PRESENT	ATTENDEES:
[x]	Thomas G. Neff Chairman	[x]	Karen Landis Secretary
[x]	Barbara Lynch Vice Chairman	[x]	Wayne Mensinger Zoning Officer
[]	Robert Marcus Supervisor	[x]	Solicitor - Frank Bartle
[]	George Witmayer Treasurer	[x]	Others - Refer to sign in sheet.

Chairman, Tom Neff called the meeting to order at 7:40 PM with a Pledge of Allegiance.

Tom Neff mentioned Mr. Marcus had an educational appointment and regrets he's unable to attend, but Mr. Marcus will be provided with all information. Mr. Neff called for the first public comment period.

Lynne Hall questioned why it was necessary for Mr. Bartle to be present. Carol Casper questioned the dollar amount in Tax Collection category on budget. Bette Bleam made a statement, read a letter, and returned the \$35.00 check for auditor's compensation.

Tom Neff asked Karen Landis to read an email response from Robert Marcus regarding Executive Session. Discussions between Harold Schell and Frank Bartle whether this letter should be read during public comment period. Frank Bartle announced the Board of Supervisors met at 7:00 PM for Executive Session on two (2) items: personnel issue and potential real estate acquisition. Karen Landis then read the following statement from Robert Marcus:

Karen, I am asking you as a Supervisor to read this out loud at the meeting tonight.

*Barb and Tom,
 Please note that due to your late notice by email I object to these issues being addressed without me present. I cannot attend, as you and the Chairman well know. I am astounded a your continued insistence on scheduling meetings when you both know I can't attend. These are serious issues and I believe you do a serious disservice to township residents by intentionally eliminating this supervisor from participating in public deliberations. I can only interpret this to mean that you are intentionally cutting me out of the governance of our Township.*

Robert

Residents questioned why after 30+ years of holding BOS meetings on Thursday evenings the night was changed to Wednesday - does this benefit the Township or the Fire Company?

Lynne Hall commented the Township funds the Firehouse.

Marv McGown requested clarification of "funding" and explained the only Fire Company expenses funded by the Township are Gasoline, Diesel, and Insurance which is approximately \$30,000 per year and noted Township insurance premiums are reduced because of Fire Company vehicle participation. Fireman's Relief is insurance money received from the state that must be passed through to the Fire Company for relief aid.

Chart of Account	Explanation	YTD Actuals 12/31/09	2009 Annual Budget	2010 Budget
411.000 · PUBLIC SAFETY - FIRE PROTECTION				
411.002 · Firemen's Relief	Pass through expense - allocation supporting volunteer fire relief. 50% based on population - 50% real estate market value.	\$ 20,715	\$ 25,000	\$ 20,000
411.231 · Vehicle Fuel - Gasoline	1200 gallons @ 2.75	\$ 2,336	\$ 4,600	\$ 3,300
411.241 · Vehicle Fuel - Diesel	1000 gallons @ 2.50	\$ 2,274	\$ 2,500	\$ 2,500
411.320 · Communication	Motion 09-0460 - Monthly contribution for Internet access	\$ 467		\$ 800
411.350 · Insurance & Bonding	Fire Company Property, Vehicle, Liability Ins, Bonds - Constable Bond	\$ 22,324	\$ 25,600	\$ 23,900
411.470 · Drug Testing	Laboratory fees for drug testing of CDL drivers.	\$ -	\$ 500	\$ 500
411.540 · Annual Appropriation	Resolution 09-1481. Annual Appropriation equal to 0.165 mills of annual assessed value. Paid Quarterly	\$ 4,188		
411.740 · Capital Asset Purchases		\$ 11,606		
Total 411.000 · PUBLIC SAFETY - FIRE PROTECTION		\$ 63,910	\$ 58,200	\$ 51,000

Discussions and comments continued that out of 30 days/month the supervisors could not find 2 days in a month to meet the needs of all three supervisors.

Motion 10-037 by Lynch, second by Neff approving the minutes from December 30th, January 4th and January 6th meetings. Vote 2 - 0.

Motion 10-038 by Neff, second by Lynch approving payment of bills as presented below. Vote 2 - 0.

Check #	Vendor	General Fund	State Fund	Sewer Fund
1027	American Rock Salt		\$ 2,821.36	
1000	Safeguard Business Systems			\$ 88.65
1001	Univest			\$ 2,159.30
2454	Chase Card Services	\$ -		
2455	MCATO	\$ 40.00		
2456	Home Depot	\$ 274.73		
2457	H.A. Berkheimer	\$ 294.04		

2458	Chambers Associates	\$ 212.00		
2459	Dischell, Bartle, Yanoff, Dooley	\$ 450.00		
2460	Eagles Peak Spring Water	\$ 9.05		
2461	FIA Card Services	\$ 320.09		
2462	George T. Bisel Co.	\$ 151.84		
2463	Gouldley Welding	\$ 67.10		
2464	Montgomery Newspapers	\$ 138.02		
2465	Naceville Materials	\$ 188.19		
2466	PECO Energy	\$ 101.98		
2467	PSATS	\$ 807.00		
2468	The Reporter	\$ 491.91		
2469	Selective Insurance	4,106.00		
2470	Trustees Insurance	4,694.50		
2471	U.S. Municipal Supply	\$ 170.32		
2472	Eagles Peak Spring Water	\$ 28.75		
2473	PECO Energy	\$ 461.76		
2474	PECO Energy	\$ 22.41		
2475	PECO Energy	\$ 12.93		
2476	PECO Energy	\$ 503.79		
2477	Wayne Mensinger	\$ 17.70		
2478	Salford Twp Sewer Fund	3,640.00		
2479	Davidheiser's	\$ 996.00		
2480	Sprint	\$ 171.24		
2481	Good's Plumbing	\$2,338.95		
2482	Catherine Matz	\$ 75.00		
2483	MCATO	\$ 60.00		
2484	Tylersport Postmaster	\$ 44.00		
2485	Dr. Moore & Petersen	\$ 306.00		
2486	A.M.I. Inkjet & Toner	\$ 252.02		
2487	Cope's Garage	\$ 42.00		
2488	Moyer & Son	\$1,884.28		
2489	Richter Office Supply	\$ 48.00		
2490	Weldon Auto Parts	\$ 135.56		
2491	Perkiomen Watershed	\$ 100.00		
2492	Petty Cash	\$ 20.04		
2493	Karen Landis	\$ 147.16		
		\$23,824.36	\$2,821.36	\$ \$2,247.95

Harold Schell questioned the status of new Treasurer bonding and commented the responsibility of paying bills relies with the Treasurer.

Barb Lynch stated the Sewer and Water Advisory Board met January 8th - the minutes will be read at the February 3rd business meeting. However, she wanted to bring to Supervisor and residents attention receipt of correspondence from Bursich Engineering and SWAB recommendation of obtaining a 2nd opinion technical review of Ridge Road design portion at a cost of \$2,500. Motion 10-039 by Lynch, second by Neff approving SWAB recommendation for 2nd opinion to be approved at February 3rd meeting. Vote 2 - 0.

Floodplain Ordinance - Tom Neff turned agenda item #6 over to Frank Bartle. Mr. Bartle explained due to an update in the County soil survey floodplain areas need to be re-designated. Township Engineer - John Chambers recommends the existing ordinance language be updated. Motion 10-040 by Lynch, second by Neff authorizing Solicitor to prepare amended Floodplain Ordinance and legal advertisement. Vote 2 -

Barb McMonagle questioned whether the ordinance would be sent to County Planning Commission.

Resolution # 10-1513 whereas Township agrees to use dotGrants online reporting systems to file annual Pa Department of Transportation liquid fuels and road project reports. Motion 10-041 by Lynch, second by Neff. Vote 2 - 0.

Open Space Committee appointments - Tom Neff appointed George DiDomizio as new Chairman of the Open Space Committee. Motion 10-042 by Neff, second by Lynch. Vote 2 - 0.

George DiDomizio accepted and commented he was flattered to re-join the Open Space Committee to keep Salford Township rural. Barb Lynch stated in the past the committee has requested Supervisor participation - both Barb and George agree to obtain a list of current members to determine continued interest and solicit future participation.

Ballot question - Barb Lynch commented during both her and Tom Neff's campaign many residents have expressed their concern at keeping the Township rural. Given the current state of the economy, consideration is being given to put a question on the next election ballot to determine resident interest in buying the land back from WB Homes. Motion 10-043 by Lynch, second by Neff authorizing Solicitor to research and report necessary steps to put this referendum on the next ballot. Vote 2 - 0.

Harold Schell questioned the potential cost of re-acquiring this property related to expenses already incurred for sewer installation. He also offered assistance from the Finance Committee if needed.

Residents questioned how this potential change would impact high density zoning.

Old Business:

Tom Neff authorized Solicitor to advertise the amended 2010 budget as proposed. Motion 10-044 by Lynch, second by Neff adopting the proposed amended 2010 budget, authorizing Solicitor to advertise ten (10) day period of review for final adoption at February 3rd meeting. Vote 2 - 0.

Barb Lynch asked Karen Landis to summarize the proposed changes from the 12/30/09 version.

Bette Bleam questioned the changes in public works salaries.

Harold Schell suggested budgeting additional for summer help and for possible increases in road material supplies.

John Feldj questioned the increase in the Solicitor (Legal) category.

George DiDomizio questioned the possible restitution funds not reflected in anticipated revenue.

Frank Bartle answered many residents questions related to restitution process.

John Feldi inquired on the status of Camp Road Bridge project.

The next regular business meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, February 3rd which will need to be held at the Township Municipal Building due to a scheduling conflict with the Fire House. Motion 10-045 by Neff, second by Lynch changing the location of February 3rd meeting and advertising notice in newspaper. Vote 2 - 0.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:10 PM. Motion 10-046 by Neff, second by Lynch. Vote 2 - 0.

APPROVED:

MOTION: 10-047 BY: Neff SECOND BY: Lynch VOTE: 2 - 0