NORTH HEIDELBERG TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

May 24, 2017

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Supervisors of North Heidelberg Township was called to order at 7:05 P.M. The pledge of allegiance to the flag followed. Supervisors present were Chris Eves Chairman, John Ruth Vice Chairman and Robert Klinger.

Minutes – The minutes from the April 26, 2017 meeting were reviewed were reviewed with no additions or corrections. Chris Eves made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted. Robert Klinger seconded the motion, and motion carried.

Treasurer's Report – The treasurer's report was reviewed. Chris Eves made a motion that the treasurer's report be accepted as submitted. Robert Klinger seconds the motion. Motion carried.

Public Comments to the Agenda – No additions to the agenda.

H.A. Thomson – The Township Insurance renews on September 9, 2017. H.A. Thomson representative reviewed all the information regarding Township property, tools and equipment, vehicles and employees. He will send the corrected information to the Township for review.

Private Property Signs located along North Hill Road – Chris Hartman wrote a letter dated May 19, 2017 to Mr. and Mrs. Walter Stewart and Mr. & Mrs. Andrew Stewart explaining that the private property signs located along North Hill Road are located within the right-of-way and their placement facing northbound traffic appear to be posting the public road. Mr. Hartman's letter states that the signs in question be removed or that the face of the signs be turned 90 degrees so that they are parallel to the road and not perpendicular to the cartway of the public road within 15 days of the date on the letter. Mr. Stewart waited to make his comment regarding this issue under public comments. In addition, the placement of the signs and their posts are within the Township's 33 ft. wide right of way.

Bridges – McCarthy Engineering submitted the Dirt, Gravel and Low Volume Road Maintenance Grant Application and supporting documents for Klopp Road to Berks County Soil Conservation District. The total project value is approximately \$96980.00. The amount requested for the grant is approximately \$76,000.00. The Township must contribute approximately \$20,000.00 towards the project.

Planning Commission – There was no business.

Western Berks Joint Planning Commission - Jeff Schatz informed the Board that the Western Berks Joint Planning Commission met on April 20th. The Comprehensive Plan estimate that County submitted was much higher than they expected.

Resolution 2017-04 pay period from monthly to bi-weekly – Chris Hartman prepared a resolution authorizing the alteration of pay periods from monthly to bi-weekly. Chris Eves motioned to accept Resolution 2017-04 as presented. Robert Klinger seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Kraft Code Services monthly report – There was one property maintenance update. The property owners of 1 Pond View Lane has been coordinating with Kraft Codes to address the issues required to make the building habitable again.

Road Report:

- 1 Worked on the inlet box on Krick's Mill Road
- 2 Worked on the International spreader and loader, chopped up blacktop
- 3 Fixed leaking water pipe in utility room
- 4 Installed inlet box on Hillview and Grandview Roads

Public Comment – Mr. Stewart stated that there are private property signs located throughout the Township and they are posted the same way. Mr. Hartman explained why the signs in questioned must be removed.

Jeff Schlaybach mentioned that the Board may want to consider looking at the insurance deductible to possibly lower the premium.

The Board scheduled the annual road check for June 3rd at 7:00 am.

As a result of Mr. Ruth's shoulder surgery, Mr. Eves stated that John Ruth will not do physical work until he is cleared by his doctor.

The Board reviewed an employment application for a part time road crew employee. Mr. Ruth recommended hiring Mr. Clark. Chris Eves motioned to hire Craig Clark as a part time road crew worker at \$14.00 per hour. Robert Klinger seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Bills – Chris Eves made a motion to pay the bills. Robert Klinger seconded the motion. Motion carried.

There being no further business to come before the Board of Supervisors as this time, Chris Eves made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Robert Klinger seconded the motion. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:52 P. M.

Respectfully submitted, Diana Minnich, Secretary

People in attendance:

1 - Jeff Schlaybach
2 - Walter Stewart
3 - Sheila Stewart
4 - Mitch Wolfe
5 - Robin Hoch
7 - Brian Swanson
8 - Paula Swanson
9 - Randy Lutz
10 - Jim Reazor
11 - Randy Lutz

6 – Harold Hoch 12 – B. J. Giansiglio H.A. Thomson