

NORTH HEIDELBERG TOWNSHIP  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

May 23, 2018

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Supervisors of North Heidelberg Township was called to order at 7:00 P.M. The pledge of allegiance to the flag followed. Supervisors present were Chairman, Mitch Wolfe, Vice Chairman David Pool and Robert Klinger. Also in attendance were Bethany Emkey, Township Solicitor, Ryan Rhode, Township Engineer and Township Secretary Tanya Taatjes.

Minutes – The minutes from the April 25, 2018 meeting were reviewed with no additions or corrections. Mitch Wolfe made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted. David Pool seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Chairman Mitch Wolfe noted that there was an Executive Session held on April 30, 2018 to discuss personnel issues and possible pending litigation.

Treasurer’s Report – The treasurer’s report was reviewed. Mitch Wolfe made a motion that the treasurer’s report be accepted as submitted. Robert Klinger seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Public Comments to the Agenda – None

Correspondence:

- a. Secretary Tanya Taatjes followed up with the current Comcast charges. It was verified that the Township is eligible for free TV and internet, but not phone lines. It was further explained that although the Township doesn’t have a TV, the TV package was added to the account to reduce the cost of the phone lines. If the current package were removed, the cost of the phones lines would increase, costing the township an additional \$40 a month. A Township tax exemption certificate was also forwarded and a credit for 3 months of back taxes will be given.
- b. Chairman Mitch Wolfe gave the tax collectors report for the month. A motion was made by Robert Klinger and seconded by Mitch Wolfe to reimburse Kloma Kalbach for supplies. It was explained by Kloma that both the county and the school district had reimbursed her for the majority of her expenses, while the Township had not. Therefore, she was seeking reimbursement from the Township for the portion not covered. Additional questions were raised regarding the expenses that she was seeking reimbursement for. Motion carried for a one time reimbursement in the amount of \$62.13.

Planning Commission –The Planning Commission meeting scheduled for May 17, 2018 was canceled.

Kraft Code Services- No report this month.

Road Report- Numerous issues were raised concerning the condition of Township roads. Notably Krick's Mill, Grandview, and School Lane Roads. Township Supervisor Robert Klinger explained that he is currently awaiting bids as the township doesn't have the manpower or equipment. Issues were also raised regarding the bridge on Krick's Mill Road. Supervisor Robert Klinger will contact Berks County Conservation District for possible action. There is also a water issue stemming from a natural spring that is saturating the area. Township resident's Barry Goodhart and George Ferrero both volunteered to help work on the Krick's Mill Road project. Supervisor Robert Klinger agreed to meet and assess the work needed to be done. It was suggested that the Conrad Weiser School District be contacted about moving the current bus stop on the Bernville Robesonia road to Heidelberg Farms Lane because of safety issues. A list of contact numbers for Penn Dot is available in the office for upcoming work to be done on Township roads.

Solicitor Items- None

Old business-

- a. Township is moving forward with the website and hopes to have it up and running before the next meeting.

New Business-

- a. Supervisor David Pool made a motion to accept the Agricultural Security Area Application and authorize the advertising of the first notice for 148 Redier Road. A general explanation of the process was given by Solicitor Bethany Emkey. Motion was seconded by Robert Klinger. Motion carried.
- b. There is currently a vacancy on the Agricultural Advisory Board. Although there is no requirement to publicly advertise the vacancy, an advertisement will be made on the Township board and website and an appointment will be made at the June meeting. Township Supervisor David Pool agreed to fill the position if there are no other applicants.
- c. Representative from HA Thompson was present to discuss the Township's insurance policy. The policy will be renewed September 9, 2018. No changes were made. An explanation was given over the rise in workman's compensation coverage premiums.

Action Items- None

Public Comment- There were no comments.

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Motion to pay bills and begin the Executive Session at 7:45 was made by Mitch Wolfe. Seconded by Robert Klinger. Motion carried. Executive Session ended at 8:15 and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Tanya Taatjes, Secretary

People in attendance:

1. George Ferrero
2. John Ruth
3. Steve DeLucas
4. Laura Anne Scheetz
5. J David Lange, Jr
6. John Kalbach
7. Kloma Kalbach
8. Brian Swanson
9. Walt Stewart
10. Harold Hoch
11. Robin Hoch
12. Barry Goodhart
13. Jim Tomanelli
14. George Wilson
15. Russell Getz
16. Jeff Schlaybach