

The meeting of the Board of Supervisors was held at the Township Municipal Building. The meeting was called to order by the Chairperson, at 7:00 P. M. Those in attendance were Lorreta Wilhide (Chairperson), Daryl Hull (Supervisor), Chris Reed (Solicitor), Terry Myers (Engineer) and Lou Anne Bostic, (Secretary).

Pledge of Allegiance:

EARL V. MILLER SERVICE PRESENTATION:

-The Board of Supervisors presented a service appreciation and recognition plaque to the family members of Mr. Miller. Earl served the community on the Planning Commission and the Zoning Hearing Board for over 40 years. Mr. Miller passed away in January of this year, his zoning knowledge and experience will be missed.

RECOGNITION OF PUBLIC REQUESTS:

-Charlie Eckenrode, 70 Hykes Mill Road. Mr. Eckenrode asked the Board if they have decided to exempt him from all township codes and inspections as he requested at the last meeting. He stated that he is inspected by the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture as an amusement and feels that it is unfair to him to have to comply with state and township requirements. Mr. Eckenrode also stated that his son called the office to ask if a "Zombie 5k Run" could be held on the property. The event would be held as a benefit for the Marines. The zoning officer did not give him an answer. Ms Wilhide stated that many other events held in the township were not licensed or permitted by the township and she feels that the event can be held on the property. Mr. Hull agreed. Mr. Hull requested that the attorney review the request regarding exemption from township codes and inspections and provide a ruling at the next meeting.

-Tudor & Patty Williams, 105 Vida Lane, informed the Board that they have a storm water run off problem on their property and would like the township to take a look. Mr. Williams stated that he wants results that match what the township did for his neighbors in the past for storm water concerns. Mr. Williams was told that the township is planning to work on storm water improvements in the area and the engineer and road master will look at his property.

-Margaret Burg, 850 Copenhaffer Road, informed the Board that vehicles are traveling at a high rate of speed thru the Susquehanna Trail/Canal Road intersection to beat the signal light. The Board told Ms Burg that the township is aware of the problem and is looking into the matter.

-Tudor Williams, 105 Vida Lane, complained about the Millcreek/Canal Road intersection, he feels that traffic control is needed at this intersection.

-Jane Deamer, Northeastern Senior Center representative, thanked the township for their

contribution and support. Ms Deamer reported that the center needs volunteers for various duties and they are still looking for a larger facility to meet their growing demands.

Approval of Agenda: Motion by Mr. Hull, second by Ms Wilhide, unanimously carried, to approve the agenda as presented. Vote: 2 to 0.

Approval of Previous Minutes: Motion by Mr. Hull, second by Ms Wilhide, unanimously carried, to approve the April 4, 2014 minutes. Vote: 2 to 0.

-PUBLIC HEARING -Ordinance #346

-An ordinance amending The LERTA program. Public comments were heard as follows:

-Tudor Williams, 105 Vida Lane, asked for an explanation. Mr. Hull explained that the program offers a partial/temporary tax break to bring industry into the township.

-Lynn Kann, Copenhaffer Road asked what the tax break percentage for ES3 is at this time. Information was not available at the meeting.

No other public or Board comments were heard. Motion by Ms Wilhide, second by Mr. Hull, unanimously carried, to adopt Ordinance #346. Vote: 2 to 0.

PLANNING & ZONING:

-The Conewago Township Planning Commission reviewed the proposed zoning ordinance amendment and recommended approval with a reminder to make sure "Nature Reserve" is changed to "Nature Park". Motion by Mr. Hull, second by Ms Wilhide, unanimously carried, to authorize advertisement for action at the next meeting. Vote: 2 to 0.

REPORTS:

Ms Wilhide provided an answer for Mr. Hull regarding the 39% increase in the police incident responses for Conewago Township in the last report. The increase was due to high service calls and were mostly weather related.

-Tudor Williams asked if the township has it's own police force. Mr. Hull explained that the township is served by a regional department. Motion by Mr. Hull, second by Ms Wilhide, unanimously carried, to approve the Police, Sewer Authority and Building Permit Reports. Vote: 2 to 0.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

-Motion by Mr. Hull, second by Ms Wilhide, unanimously carried, to approve the April 2014 Treasurer's Report. Vote: 2 to 0. Ms Bostic informed the board that the township has received grant approval in the amount of \$5,858.00 from DEP for Act 902 to reimburse expenses for implementation of the recycling program.

ROAD REPORT: -Todd Smith was present and stated that tonight's items will be addressed in the Engineer's Report

-Ms Wilhide asked when the repair will be completed at the Copenhaffer/Trail intersection. The work is scheduled to begin next Monday.

-Ms Wilhide asked if the road crew seeded the area at the Zion View "Memorial" site.

Mr. Smith was unaware of any activity at the site.

-Ms Wilhide asked Mr. Smith to fill the soffit holes on the back of the community building to stop the bees from nesting.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT: None

ENGINEER'S REPORT: Terry Myers presented the written report and commented on the following:

-Mr. Myers was asked to submit the following projects for CDBG consideration.

1) Sidewalk installation from Andrew to Fisher Drive.

2) Hykes Field - some type of recreational upgrade. The engineer will meet with the road master to walk the property. Mr. Myers will have the application and resolution for presentation at the next meeting.

-Mr. Myers announced that the road project and material bids were opened and the final tally has been presented to the board for review. Mr. Smith questioned if the contractor needs to submit a change order request for any changes. Mr. Myers explained that board approval is necessary.

-Tudor Williams asked if we have to take the lowest bid. Mr. Myers explained that the low bidder should be awarded the contract.

-Mr. Myers recommended that the Board award the bids as recommended on page two of his report. Contracts #1 thru #5 under the MS944 and the materials contract under the MS963.

Motion by Ms Wilhide, second by Mr. Hull, unanimously carried, to award the bids as recommended. Vote 2 to 0. (Copy attached)

-The engineer reported that a field meeting has been scheduled with PennDOT to look at the storm water problem at the Bull/Butter Road intersection.

-Mr. Myers informed the Board that a resolution to adopt a right of way on Millcreek Road that was dedicated by a developer to the township will be necessary for the PennDOT bridge replacement project. The resolution will be presented at the next meeting.

-Ms Wilhide suggested that Copenhaffer Road, from Fisher Drive to Test Road, should be considered for an overlay application.

-Mr. Hull asked about the soft spots being repaired in the parking lot. Mr. Smith informed the Board that he is fixing the areas prior to the lines being painted.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

-Copenhaffer Road (short section) abandonment. Lynn Kann, Copenhaffer Road, presented a survey of traffic turning east bound off the Trail onto Copenhaffer Road. (Towards Quicquel's Church). The amount of traffic making the turn varied from 159 to 324 during different

observation times. Mr. Kann is concerned about the additional traffic that would have to travel to the traffic signal if the short section of Copenhaffer Road is closed. Mr. Kann is also concerned about the entrance onto Canal Road Extended that is being constructed in East Manchester Township and the additional traffic that will be using the intersection. Mr. Hull thanked Mr. Kann for taking his own personal time to provide the traffic movement results. Terry Myers reported that the completed traffic study for the Canal/Trail signalization project did not include the intersection of Copenhaffer Road and Canal Road extended.

The township is considering various upgrades to the entire "triangle" involved in this project and will continue to review the situation.

-Chesapeake Bay Pollution Reduction Plan information was included in the written engineer's report. Nothing further to discuss at this time.

-Burn Permit Ordinance. Ms Wilhide would like to abolish the burn permit ordinance in order to meet the Act 101 requirements and the township's recycling requirements. The two ordinances seem to contradict each other and are causing confusion and problems. Mr. Hull is not in favor of taking any action at this time and he would like the solicitor to look at everything to be sure that the rural and agricultural nature of the community is served. No further action was taken.

-Tudor Williams asked about the burn permit.

-Larry Kauffman, Greenspring Road, stated that his small farm operation is using a burn barrel to dispose of his vegetation. This use is exempt from the recycling ordinance and Act 101.

NEW BUSINESS:

-The Board received a resignation letter from a Zoning Hearing Board member. This matter is tabled until the next meeting.

OTHER BUSINESS:

-The manager reported that Robin Gross, Emergency Management Coordinator for Conewago Township, thanked all the road crew and other responders to the Copenhaffer/Trail incident on Saturday.

-Mr. Hull reported that he, Ms Wilhide and Todd Smith spoke with a sales rep at the state convention regarding the purchase of a GPS system for the township. Mr. Smith was instructed to obtain a quote and to speak with the engineer regarding compatibility with their system. This system would greatly reduce time spent on sign inventory maintenance control and other MS4 inspection and maintenance requirements.

-Ms Wilhide reported that the Easter Egg Hunt was a success with over 150 children attending the event. This was a joint event held by the Strinestown Community Volunteer Fire Department and Conewago Township.

-Mr. Hull questioned the auditors report. The suggestion to have the manager change her password was discussed. Mr. Hull would like to have a small lock box installed for sensitive information. The building is equipped with alarms for fire and unauthorized entrance. The

township manager is the only person who accesses the financial program.

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting was adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Lou Anne Bostic