

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

OF KENNETT TOWNSHIP

801 Burrows Run Road

March 15, 2010

Chairman Falcoff called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m., with Vice-Chairman Elling and Supervisor Hammaker both present.

Mr. Falcoff moved that the minutes of the February 15, 17 and 24, 2010 and March 3 and 10, 2010 be approved as distributed. Mr. Hammaker seconded the motion and it carried with all Supervisors in favor.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REPORTS

- 1) Mr. Falcoff presented the public safety information data, gave the March 2010 Accident Summary as follows:

January, 2010 accidents:

The State Police are still not providing us with accident or incident data. We continue activity, hopefully, to correct this situation.

As an interim work-around we have developed a technique that will provide accident data but with the potential to slightly undercount State Police response information. This interim data will be presented 1 month later than the previous reporting technique.

Based upon this interim data we are able to complete year-end 2009 and January, 2010, data, as follows:

For 2009-

- Calendar year 2009 had 16.7% fewer automobile accidents than 2008 with the year-end total being 195 vs. 234 for the preceding year.
- During December, 2009, there were no accidents at the Kaolin/Chandler Mill intersections and 1 accident at a non-intersection Kaolin Rd. location.

For January, 2010-

- January, 2010, had 15 accidents- the same as the preceding January.
- There were no accidents on Kaolin and Chandler Mill, 2 accidents at the Kaolin and Old Kennett intersection, and 1 non-intersection accident on Kaolin.
- There was 1 accident at the Rosedale and McFarlan intersection.

Miscellaneous:

- Rt. 52/Hillendale intersection signalization is completed and the signal is fully operational. Cycle timing may still need to be optimized.

- As previously noted, we had received verbal approval for construction of a “Michigan-left”/U-turn arrangement south of the Rt. 82/Cedarcroft intersection. Unfortunately, the approximately \$200,000 required for this work is not available from local funds, nor we have been informed, from the State. We have contacted the County for help.
- The Township Safety Committee reviewed the PennDOT safety study of 4 problem intersections and will be presenting the Supervisors with their recommendations as to how to proceed.

Kennett Township Police activity (February, 2010)

- 70 calls responded to from Chester County Police Radio, as follows:
 - 2 criminal investigations.
 - 56 routine assignments.
 - 10 alarm activation calls.
 - 2 automobile accidents responded to.

2) The Speakman Conditional Use Hearing will be held on April 19th at 6:30 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS

Ordinance No. 189 Noxious Weeds

Mr. Falcoff presented Ordinance No. 189 updating the Noxious Weeds Ordinance. **Mr. Hammaker moved to adopt Ordinance No. 189 as presented. Mr. Elling seconded the motion and it carried with all in favor.**

ROADWORK

Mr. Elling stated that the road crew was very busy with the three (3) snow storms in 2010. He stated that the cost for snow plowing wages and materials increased due to the major storms. The road crew had numerous trees down due to the storm and continues to chip limbs to alleviate dumpster costs. The paving of the intersection at Route 52 & Hillendale Road was completed, bid material for 2010 will be awarded in April, patching of potholes continues, sweeping of subdivisions will occur the week of April 5th.

SUBDIVISIONS/LAND DEVELOPMENT PLANS

Extensions:

Mr. Hammaker moved to accept the following extensions: 1) Speakman Property Conditional Use until 4/1/10; and, 2) Mullin property until 6/1/10. Mr. Elling seconded the motion and it carried with all in favor.

Escrow Release:

Mr. Hammaker moved to accept escrow release no. 6 for the Pines in the amount of \$11,460.00 with \$27,645.50 remaining. Mr. Falcoff seconded the motion and it carried with all in favor.

OTHER BUSINESS**Per Capita Tax**

Mr. Hammaker moved to accept the Per Capita Tax removals per memos dated March 9, 2010 and Per Capita Tax Additions per memo March 9, 2010. Mr. Falcoff seconded the motion and it carried with all Supervisors in favor.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Iris Coggins and Eugene Coggins, residents of Greenwood Road, discussed the Berlin Construction Zoning Hearing Board Case to permit some disturbance of wetlands. They stated that the Zoning Hearing Board did not have the right to approve the case; only the Federal Army Corp of Engineers. The Supervisors stated that they believe the Zoning Hearing Board did have the authority to hear and approve the case and that the Federal Army Corp of Engineers was involved. The Supervisors stated that they will look over the case and get back to the Coggins.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Falcoff acknowledged receipt of the financial statement for the prior month. **Mr. Falcoff moved that the bills be approved for payment, seconded by Mr. Elling with all Supervisors in favor.**

The meeting adjourned 7:53 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa M. Moore
Township Manager/
Secretary-Treasurer

