

Hamilton Township Board of Supervisor's
Regular Meeting Minutes
Monday, September 10, 2012

CALL TO ORDER:

Meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm by Chairman, Stephanie A. Egger.

Supervisors present were Stephanie A. Egger, Timothy D. Beard, III, and John C. O'Brien. Also present were Solicitor, Ronald Tomasko, Attorney, from the firm of James, Smith, Dietterick and Connelly, LLP; Road Superintendent, Ron Weidner; Ron Balutis, ZO/BCO; and Secretary, Deborah Brogan.

Stephanie A. Egger asked if anyone was using a recording device to record this meeting. Melody Aspers, Hanover Evening Sun, stated that she was recording. Stephanie A. Egger also asked that cell phones be placed on vibrate.

Stephanie A. Egger led the meeting in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Minutes of August 6, 2012: Stephanie A. Egger asked Timothy D. Beard III and John C. O'Brien if they had reviewed the minutes from the August 6, 2012 Supervisors Meeting. Response was affirmative. Timothy D. Beard III made a **motion** to approve the minutes as submitted. John C. O'Brien second the motion. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Cross Keys Diner/Hensco: Stephanie A. Egger presented the test result reports from LABS, Inc. showing the BOD levels for the Cross Keys Diner/Hensco. Judy Gemmill, Cross Keys Diner, had e-mailed a spreadsheet with her report of the BOD levels; this was presented to the Board Members. Gemmill's spreadsheet showed some of the same results. Timothy D. Beard III stated that the BOD levels looked good. John C. O'Brien made a **motion** to accept the reports as submitted. Timothy D. Beard III second the motion. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

3. John Murphy Easement: Stephanie A. Egger stated that there has been no activity on this matter.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. State Police Stats: Stephanie A. Egger read the report from the State Police for service in Hamilton Township for the month of August 2012.

2. Liberty Fire Co. No. 11: Stephanie A. Egger read the report from Liberty Fire Co. 11 for service in Hamilton Township for the month of August 2012.

3. United Hook & Ladder Co. No. 33: Stephanie A. Egger read the report from United Hook & Ladder Co. No. 33 for service in Hamilton Township for the month of August 2012.
4. Hampton Fire Co. No. 10: Stephanie A. Egger read the report from Hampton Fire Co. No. 10 for service in Hamilton Township for the months of July and August 2012.
5. SPCA Collection: Stephanie A. Egger stated that the Township is continuing to collect items for the Adams County SPCA for the care of the animals at the shelter. Stephanie A. Egger informed the residents that a “wish list” was available and they could bring donations to the Township office. Allen Egger will be taking the items to the SPCA.
6. East Berlin Senior Center: Stephanie A. Egger stated that the East Berlin Senior Center has made a request for funding. The East Berlin Senior Center is scheduled to receive \$400 this year. Timothy D. Beard III stated that it should remain the same as 2012. After discussion, it was decided that they would remain on the 2013 Budget, with a donation amount of \$400.00.
7. Adams County Medication Take Back Day: Stephanie A. Egger stated that the Adams County Collaborating for Youth Program is sponsoring a Medication Disposal Day on Saturday, September 29th from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm at Bermudian Springs School Complex and at the Eastern Adams Regional Police Station. Flyers are on the sign-in table and posted on the bulletin board.
8. David Lease: Stephanie A. Egger stated that Mr. David Lease has made a request to address the Board concerning his Sewer Permit Application and the fee of \$250. Mr. Lease has presented a letter from KPI Technology denying his request. Mr. Lease was informed by Gil Picarelli of KPI Technology that he could request a hearing with the Hamilton Township Board of Supervisors to review this decision. Mr. Lease presented the Board with a written request for a hearing and a letter from his Engineer. Copies of these documents were given to Ronald Tomasko, Township Attorney. Ronald Tomasko, Attorney will set up the hearing and will notify the Township and Mr. Lease of the hearing date. Timothy D. Beard III made a **motion** to proceed with the hearing. John C. O'Brien second the motion. Motion passed by unanimous vote.
9. Trick or Treat Night: Stephanie A. Egger stated that Hamilton Township has scheduled Trick or Treat for October 31st, from 6:00 – 8:00 pm. This is in conjunction with the surrounding townships and boroughs.
10. Zoning Ordinance Amendment: Stephanie A. Egger stated that a request has been made to amend or add to the Township Zoning Ordinances, the following restriction: ‘All vehicles over 30 feet in length shall be prohibited from parking on public roads at all times. This shall apply to, but not limited to, tractor-trailers, recreation vehicles, and any other oversized vehicles of any nature.’ Timothy D. Beard III stated that he has a

problem with this request; he parks his tractors, etc. on the streets during harvest time. Ron Balutis stated that this would be exempt; what this request would apply to is large motor homes, tractor trailers, etc. Timothy D. Beard III stated that he can see some vehicles being a problem, but we do not have authority of parking on state roads. After further discussion, Timothy D. Beard III made a **motion** to have the Planning Commission review this request and get their recommendation. John C. O'Brien second the motion. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

11. Stephanie A. Egger stated that Roadmaster, Jay Livingston wants to know what the Board wants him to do with the old dump truck. Timothy D. Beard III said that we should put the truck up for bid. John C. O'Brien discussed the condition of the truck. Timothy D. Beard III made a **motion** to put the truck up for bid. John C. O'Brien second the motion. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

12. Stephanie A. Egger stated that Jay Livingston wants to know what the Board wants to do with the Ditch Witch. Jay Livingston wants to take it to auction. Stephanie A. Egger stated that Jay Livingston said the Township has no further use for this equipment. Timothy D. Beard III made a **motion** to send the Ditch Witch to auction. John C. O'Brien second the motion. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

14. Stephanie A. Egger stated that she wants everyone to remember that tomorrow is Patriots Day and that we should observe 9/11.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATIONS AND STATUS OF ACTIVE PLANS: Nothing Pending

COMMITTEE & DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

1. East Berlin Area Community Center (EBACC) report and events schedule.
Henry Lutz was not present. No report was presented.
2. Abbottstown Paradise Joint Sewer Authority representative – John O'Brien stated that there was no meeting this month. They continue to inspect the manholes.
3. Parks and Recreation Board – Virginia Zickafoose stated that they will be holding a meeting tomorrow. They should be hearing about the grant sometime real soon. They are still looking for two (2) more members for this committee.
4. Road Master's Report – Ron Weidner, Road Superintendent presented the report. He stated that most of the potholes have been filled. Mowing has been completed for now along the roads. The berms on Short Lane have been fixed and blacktopping will be done. Ron Weidner stated that we have bought two (2) trucks. Brian Campbell asked

about the costs of the truck and what we had bought. Ron Weidner addressed his questions.

5. COG Report – Stephanie A. Egger stated that the COG meeting was held on August 23, 2012. Representative Tallman was present to provide information on the work he is doing in the legislature. Sgt. William McAreavy, Commander from the State Police Barracks in Gettysburg introduced himself and provided his background information and plans for the Barracks.
6. East Berlin Joint Authority Report – John O'Brien stated that they are in the process of getting a loan to put in a well at the C W Test development. It has all been approved by DEP.
7. Finance Committee Report – Becky Julian was not present. Stephanie A. Egger stated that the finance committee did not meet in August. The next meeting is Monday, September 24th, 6:30 pm. We will be discussing the 2013 budget.
8. East Berlin Library – Pat Campbell was not present. They are holding their meeting tonight.

Solicitor's Report – Ronald Tomasko, Township Attorney, presented his report to the Board. Ronald Tomasko, Attorney stated that most of the activity has been involved with the filing of municipal liens. The issues with Berwick Township will be held on Sept. 13th. Cross Keys Diner/Hensco litigation is now in the hands of Judge Kuhn.

Engineer's Report – Jason Reichard, P.E. stated that he had no report to present at this time.

Zoning Officer's Report – Ron Balutis, ZO/BCO presented his report to the Board of Supervisors. He stated that he has handled some fence disputes this month.

MOTION TO PAY THE BILLS:

Stephanie A. Egger presented the Board with a listing of the August 2012 bills to be approved for: General Fund, Route 94 Sewer, Glabview Sewer, Traffic Light, and State Fund. Timothy D. Beard III made a **motion** to approve the bills as submitted. John C. O'Brien second the motion. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Good of the Order:

John C. O'Brien stated that we had a small crowd tonight, thank you for coming.

Timothy D. Beard III stated that he hopes everyone had a good Labor Day, thank you for coming.

Stephanie A. Egger gave the schedule for the September meetings:

Next Parks & Recreation Committee Meeting – Tuesday, Sept. 11, 2012 @ 7:00 pm

Next Planning Commission Meeting – Tuesday, Sept. 18, 2012 @ 7:00 pm

Next Finance Committee Meeting – Monday, Sept. 24, 2012 @ 6:30 pm

Next Board of Supervisors Regular Meeting – Monday, October 1, 2012 @ 7:00 pm

Thanked everyone for attending.

Adjournment

Having nothing further to discuss, John C. O'Brien made a **motion** to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 pm. Timothy D. Beard III second the motion. Meeting adjourned.

Minutes taken & transcribed by:

Deborah A. Brogan

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