

The regular meeting of the Adams Township Board of Supervisors was held on September 14, 2015 at 7:30 p.m. at the Adams Township Municipal Building, 690 Valencia Road, Adams Township, Mars, PA.

Present at the meeting were Supervisors Donald C. Aiken, Linda E. Lees, Edward L. Vogel, and Russell R. Ford; Secretary Janet Lubbert, Solicitor Michael Gallagher, Chief William Westerman and Code Enforcement Officer Gary Peaco.

Chairman Aiken called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Robin Dick

Mr. Dick lives at 1633 Three Degree Road and asked the Supervisors about moving the location of the fireworks for Community Day to the center of the park. He said debris landed on his property, and the road crew cleaned up about 20% of the debris. He also said the ordinance says the debris can't fall on property. Mr. Ford said there was a lot of wind and rain this year. Mr. Dick said this has happened the last couple of years and the easiest solution is to move the fireworks location. Mr. Aiken apologized for the debris and said they will take a look at it for next year. He also offered to have the road crew do additional clean up.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On a motion by Linda E. Lees and seconded by Russell R. Ford, the minutes of the meeting of August 24, 2015 were approved. All were in favor.

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT

On a motion by Edward L. Vogel and seconded by Russell R Ford, the Public Works Department Report for August was approved. All were in favor.

CODE ENFORCEMENT REPORT

On a motion by Linda E. Lees and seconded by Edward L. Vogel, the Code Enforcement Report for August was approved. All were in favor.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

On a motion by Edward L. Vogel and seconded by Russell R. Ford, the Engineer's Report for August was approved. All were in favor.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

The Solicitor reported he had attended meetings for the Supervisors and Planning Commission and worked on projects and reviewed contracts as directed and undertook litigation matters as needed. On a motion by Linda E. Lees and seconded by Russell R. Ford, the Solicitor's Report for August was approved. All were in favor.

ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER'S REPORT

On a motion by Linda E. Lees and seconded by Russell R. Ford, the Animal Control Officer's Report for August was approved. All were in favor.

POLICE REPORT

On a motion by Linda E. Lees and seconded by Edward L. Vogel, the Police Chief's Report for August was approved. All were in favor.

PARK AND RECREATION REPORT

Mr. Ford thanked everyone on behalf of the Supervisors who worked hard to make Community Day a success.

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ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENT**Frank Zervos**

Mr. Zervos lives at 125 Gracie Lane. He said he received a letter about heating his house and expressed his displeasure. Mr. Gallagher explained the letter and said burning coal is against DEP regulations. He can burn wood in an outdoor boiler. Mr. Aiken suggested the issue be discussed at a meeting when Mr. Franceschina is present. Mr. Zervos asked Mr. Vogel if he remembers when Don Surrena looked at his house and said the coal burner was okay to use. He said using electric won't work and he will burn gas if the township brings it to him. He asked why the letter states a fine, and Mr. Gallagher said that's what is in the zoning ordinance. Mr. Zervos said he was told by the township the coal burner could be used and is now being told he can't. He said he will hire an attorney and continued to express his displeasure regarding this issue and that Gracie Lane was turned into a private road. Mr. Ford asked if this is the first time Mr. Zervos was notified about the coal, and Mr. Gallagher said it is not. He explained that the letter is a notice of violation and no action has been taken with the magistrate. On a motion by Edward L. Vogel and seconded by Linda E. Lees, approval was given to not proceed with any action regarding Mr. Zervos until at least September 24. All were in favor.

TREASURER'S REPORT**Report and Payment of Invoices**

On a motion by Russell R. Ford and seconded by Edward L. Vogel, the Treasurer's Report for September was approved, and approval was given to pay bills totaling \$306,852.21. All were in favor.

Transfers of Funds

On a motion by Linda E. Lees and seconded by Edward L. Vogel, the following transfers were approved. All were in favor.

- \$131,532.00 from Liquid Fuels Money Market to Liquid Fuels Checking
- \$15,023.00 from Capital Reserve Money Market to Capital Reserve Checking
- \$8,000.00 from Recreation Fee Money Market to Park Fund Checking
- \$12,000.00 from General Fund Checking to Park Fund Checking

OLD BUSINESS**Uniform Allowance for Public Works Employees**

On a motion by Russell R. Ford and seconded by Edward L. Vogel, approval was given to make the semi-annual uniform allowance payment in the amount of \$200.00 to John Hock and Rhett Stobert since they don't use the uniform service. All were in favor.

NEW BUSINESS**Trick or Treat**

On a motion by Russell R. Ford and seconded by Linda E. Lees, approval was given for Trick or Treat to be held on October 31 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. All were in favor.

Police Officer Resignation

On a motion by Linda E. Lees and seconded by Russell R, Ford, the resignation from Brian Novosel effective September 1 was accepted. All were in favor. On a motion by Linda E. Lees and seconded by Russell R, Ford, approval was given for the secretary to send a conversion notice for life insurance to Mr. Novosel. All were in favor.

BCATO Safety Seminar

On a motion by Edward L. Vogel and seconded by Russell R, Ford, approval was given for the Public Works Department to attend the annual BCATO safety seminar on October 14. All were in favor.

Bond Release - Courtyards at Creekside

On a motion by Linda E. Lees and seconded by Edward L. Vogel, a bond release for Courtyards at Creekside in the amount of \$72,511.60 was approved as recommended by the township engineer. All were in favor.

Bond Release - Keystone Clearwater

Chief Westerman said the gas company had bonded Marburger Road for 3/10 of a mile. He said they are done using the road and the bond can be released. On a motion by Linda E. Lees and seconded by Edward L. Vogel, the bond release for Keystone Clearwater for Marburger Road was approved. All were in favor.

Sale of 2012 Impala

On a motion by Edward L. Vogel and seconded by Russell R. Ford, approval was given for the secretary to advertise for the sale of the 2012 Chevrolet Impala. All were in favor.

Floodplain Administrator Class

On a motion by Russell R. Ford and seconded by Linda E. Lees, approval was given for Gary Peaco to attend the Floodplain Administrator Class on October 1. All were in favor.

Traditions of America PRD Hearing

On a motion by Edward L. Vogel and seconded by Linda E. Lees, approval was given for the Solicitor to advertise the PRD hearing for Traditions of America for October 15 at 6:30 p.m. All were in favor.

Resolution #2015-04 - Senate Court

On a motion by Russell R. Ford and seconded by Edward L. Vogel, Resolution #2015-04 adopting Senate Court as a township road was approved. All were in favor.

Resolution #2015-05 - Ambassador Lane

On a motion by Russell R. Ford and seconded by Edward L. Vogel, Resolution #2015-05 adopting Ambassador Lane as a township road was approved. All were in favor.

Resolution #2015-06 - Rifle Range Permitted Use

Mr. Gallagher explained there is no conditional or permitted use for a rifle range in the township. The next step is to pass this resolution for the Planning Commission to explore the issue and make a recommendation to the Supervisors. On a motion by Linda E. Lees and seconded by Edward L. Vogel, Resolution #2015-06 was approved. All were in favor.

Waibel Leave of Absence

On a motion by Linda E. Lees and seconded by Russell R. Ford, the leave of absence for Tim Waibel was approved. All were in favor.

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Russell R. Ford and seconded by Edward L. Vogel, the meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m. All were in favor.


 Janet L. Lubbert, Secretary

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