

Amity Township Board of Supervisors Meeting Minutes

July 3, 2012

Call to Order/Pledge to the Flag

The July 3, 2012 meeting of the Amity Township Board of Supervisors, held at the Municipal Township Building, 2004 Weavertown Rd., Douglassville, Berks County, Pennsylvania, was called to order at 7:00 PM by Chairperson Robert Yanos. The following were in attendance:

SUPERVISORS

Robert R. Yanos, Chair
Kim McGrath, Vice Chair
Paul Weller
Terry Jones
Richard Gokey

STAFF

JoAnne Sowers Smith, Secretary/Treasurer
Kent Shuebrook, Chief of Police
Brian Boland, Solicitor/Kozloff Stoudt

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Yanos wished everyone a Happy Fourth of July!

PUBLIC COMMENT (AGENDA ITEMS ONLY)

None

MINUTES

Mr. Weller moved, seconded by Mrs. McGrath to approve the minutes of June 20, 2012. Motion passed 5-0.

FINANCE

Mrs. McGrath moved, seconded by Mr. Gokey and duly passed to approve the following disbursements:

\$ 45,038.41	General Fund (1)
\$ 1,495.33	Fire Fund (4)
\$ 19,531.43	Sewer Fund (8)
\$ 2,122.98	Edu Fund (9)
<u>\$ 1,068.78</u>	<u>Liquid Fuels (35)</u>
\$ 69,256.73	Total

REPORTS

Roads

The June Road report was presented to the Board.

Code Enforcement

The June Code Enforcement report was presented to the Board.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Mr. Boland reported that the contract with Berks Radio was not ready. The contract with the Police had been redrafted and sent to their attorney for execution.

NEW BUSINESS

Conditional Use Telvil Corp. Arbour Green The Board agreed to hold the conditional use hearing on July 25th at 7:00PM.

Penneco Topsoil Request Penneco requested to remove approximately 28,000 cubic yard of topsoil from the Glenwood Estates development. Mr. Weller moved, seconded by Mr. Jones to allow them to remove the topsoil with Steve Loomis monitoring the removal. Motion passed 5-0.

Zoning Hearing Recommendation- American Crane American Crane requested relief from side yard setbacks. The neighboring business has no objections. Mr. Jones moved, seconded by Mr. Weller to recommend approval of the variance to the Zoning Hearing Board. Motion passed 5-0. Mr. Yanos asked if the Board wanted to change the setback requirements in the Ordinance.

Seasonal Requirements Mr. Weller moved, seconded by Mr. Gokey to advertise for seasonal requirements for 2012-2013. Motion passed 5-0.

EMPLOYEE/OFFICIAL REPORTS

Manager Mr. Yanos stated he would like to have more information on recycling. Mr. Jones stated that single stream is supposedly cheaper and encourages more recycling. The Board would like a list of "Pros and Cons" of the different recycling options. Mrs. McGrath asked if Mrs. Benson could call other municipalities to see how they do their recycling. Mr. Weller moved, seconded by Mr. Jones to award the hauling of sludge for the digester project to All American Septic at \$.655 per gallon. The Charcoal Lane easement agreement was signed by the Shireys. Mr. Yanos moved, seconded by Mr. Gokey to approve the execution of the agreement and forward to the Homeowners Association. Motion passed 5-0. Mr. Yanos moved, seconded by Mr. Gokey to approve the 662 flow assessment proposal as presented for \$5140. Motion passed 5-0. The Board was concerned about the time of the year since it is so dry. The secretary reported that no bids had been received for the tennis court project. Mr. Gokey moved, seconded by Mr. Weller to authorize the re-advertising of the project and contacting some known vendors for prices. Motion passed 5-0. Mr. Weller moved, seconded by Mrs. McGrath to authorize the execution of the agreement with ECS for energy curtailment. Motion passed 5-0. Mr. Weller moved, seconded by Mrs. McGrath to authorize sending items to the Exeter auction if we have any. Motion passed 5-0. The secretary reported that 5 proposals had been received for the pension plans. Mrs. McGrath moved, seconded by Mr. Gokey to authorize the advertising of the signal interrupts for Monocacy Creek Road and Limekiln Road and 422. The funds to pay for them would come from the General Fund balance. Motion passed 5-0. Mrs. McGrath moved, seconded by Mr. Gokey to approve the sale of 14 EDU's to One Douglassville Properties for use at the Keystone Villa. Motion passed 5-0. The Board suggested looking at the usage by American Crane since they are expanding.

Chief of Police The Chief presented his report to the Board.

SUPERVISORS

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Cooper of Limekiln Road suggested American Crane move to the AWIP. Mr. Yanos explained that there is a lot of infrastructure that needs to go in there first.

Mr. Boland explained the results of the grievance hearing with the Police Secretary over her vacation time. The Township prevailed in the hearing.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Jones moved, seconded by Mr. Weller to adjourn the meeting at 8:03PM. Motion passed 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'JoAnne Sowers Smith', written in a cursive style.

JoAnne Sowers Smith
Secretary/Treasurer

