

MINUTES  
GREGG TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
GREGG TOWNSHIP OFFICE  
February 9, 2006

**CALL TO ORDER:**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. The following individuals were in attendance:

Members: Douglas Bierly, Pat Leary and Walter Strouse.

Residents/Visitors: Ray Grove, Dave Smith and Fred Henry, Mease Associates

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

No public comments.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Water Authority**

Water, Sewage and Supervisors met on January 24<sup>th</sup> to see what the plan is. They are going to have the loans looked at to see if adding the water board to the sewer would make those loans invalid. If they are not affected, the sewer authority is fine with the merger with the water authority.

**Auman Situation**

At this point Mr. Ripka took photos on February 9, 2006 and there are still 2 truckloads of junk to be removed. He will file citations tomorrow with the District Magistrate.

Mr. Rayman said there are two options:

1. Municipal lien
2. Collection action with magistrate

Mr. Rayman will do a lien search on the properties to see where they stand at this point.

**SEO Alternate**

Mr. Bowes expressed his interest in serving as the SEO alternate to the township secretary. Resolution 2-06-02 stated Jeff Kreger as SEO and Tom Bowes as alternate. Mr. Bierly moved that this be passed and Mr. Strouse seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Grove subdivision**

Mr. Henry presented the sewage planning module for Ray and Eugenia Grove's property to be approved and signed by the Supervisors. Mr. Bierly moved that the module be accepted. Mr. Strouse seconded. Motion carried 3-0 and Mr. Leary signed the papers with one copy being kept in the Township files.

**Ordinance #1 Park and Recs space**

Mr. Rayman sent an ordinance for approval concerning park and recreation space. The supervisors looked over it and referred it to the Planning Commission's March meeting. If approved, then it will have to go through the public hearing process.

**Resolution #2-06-10**

This is to set up a valley group to apply for a Park and Rec DEP grant. It is based on a scale in reference to township and borough populations. This is just the preliminary work and there is no obligation after the study is done. Mr. Bierly moved that we accept and sign the resolution. Mr. Strouse seconded. Motion carried 3-0. It was signed and will be sent to Potter Township in care of Tom Sharer.

**Newsletter**

Steve Maczuga has expressed an interest in doing the newsletter for the Township. Mr. Leary suggested he get some paid advertisements to help defray the costs and that we could send them out with the tax billing. The secretary will let Mr. Maczuga know.

## **Zoning Officer Computer**

The computer hasn't been working right –it quits in the middle of typing or just shuts down. Dan Decker will be contacted to look at it to see if it can be repaired.

## **Zoning Ordinance Books**

The last one has been sold. The copy is on the computer and can be downloaded so that a printer might make us 25 more copies. The secretary will get some estimates on cost from King Printing and Centre Printing.

## **Run Around Egg Hill**

Karl Leitzel e-mailed a request for permission to have some of the Gregg Township roads closed down for about 10 minutes on Sunday, March 26 for the annual fund raiser race. Mr. Strouse moved that the secretary send a letter to Penn Dot. Mr. Bierly seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

## **PSAT Convention**

Reservations have been sent for Mr. Leary, Mr. Bierly and Mrs. Kauffman for the PSATS convention April 23-26, 2006.

## **Blasting Ordinance**

Mr. Bierly found a blasting ordinance for Lower Salford Township and gave the board copies. Mr. Rayman said he would need to look into this to see if it was feasible to have an ordinance since this was DEP jurisdiction. He will look into that and get back to the Township.

## **STAFF/LIAISON REPORTS TO THE BOARD:**

### **1. Gregg Township Fire Company #1**

Nothing to report except for permission for the Fire Police to direct traffic for the Egg Hill Race on March 26, 2006. Mr. Strouse moved and Mr. Bierly seconded that they be permitted to do so. Motion carried 3-0.

### **2. Emergency Management Coordinator**

No report was given.

### **3. Gregg Township Sewer Authority**

No report was given.

### **4. Roadmaster**

#### **Equipment**

- Grader fixed-single cylinder rebuilt
- Alternator on 550 Truck has been repaired
- High lift-2 new hydraulic hoses-JD444
- New sprocket bar and throttle spring on Husky Power Saw
- Swartz Fire Co. checked fire extinguishers
- Replaced hydraulic hose on cinder spreader on 1999 Ford F550

#### **Roads and bridges**

- Removed a downed tree on Reeder Rd.
- Repaired speed limit sign on Grenoble Rd.
- Filled potholes with 2RC stones on Blue Ball, Swamp Church, Vonada Gap, Lingle Valley, and Decker Valley
- Got another trailer load of salt and unloaded
- Repaired Stop sign on Stonefield Rd.
- Replaced 2 speed limit signs on Allison Rd. that were defaced and one on Bitner Hollow that was stolen.
- Cutting brush on Beaver Dam Rd.
- Received 2 55 gallon drums of motor oil and hydraulic oil that were on sale.

Chris Smith broke the nose piece off of his glasses while cutting brush and thinks that he should be reimbursed by township. He was not wearing protective goggles although they are available. He doesn't wear a hard hat very often either.

**5. Planning Commission**

Approved Ray and Eugenie Grove’s sewer module.  
Had a presentation on PennScapes by Kelliann Foster on community planning.  
Supervisors met at the Penns Valley High School and unanimously approved plan.

**6. Zoning Hearing Board**

No meeting was necessary.

**7. Penns Valley Code Enforcement Agency**

Mr. Ripka sent the monthly report.

**8. Zoning Officer**

Jeff Wingert submitted written reports. Richard Smalley is asking for a permit to put a mobile home on his lot with a temporary/non-conforming structure permit. Mr. Wingert has decided it is okay but wants supervisors’ approval to do this. Mr. Bierly moved that Mr. Smalley be allowed with a 6 month time limitation and will not be inhabited by human and/or animals. Mr. Strouse seconded. Motion carried 3-0

**9. Penns Valley Regional Planning Commission**

Meeting to be held on March 27 at the Gregg Township building.

**10. Centre County Metropolitan Planning Organization**

Technical meeting was held at the beginning of February. Sitz program was taken off long-range planning for the moment.

**SECRETARY / TREASURER REPORT:**

**Approval of Minutes**

Mr. Bierly made a motion to accept the minutes from the January 12, 2006 meeting. Mr. Strouse seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

**Review of Township Correspondence**

The secretary presented a list of incoming and outgoing correspondence for the Board’s information.

- Mr. Strouse and Mrs. Kauffman have received new credit cards.
- Invitation to Court House Annex ceremony on February 21, 2006.
- The secretary was asked to write letters to Kerry Benninghoff and Jake Corman concerning the county wide tax collection in place of local tax collectors.
- An email was received concerning FMAP grants-Flood Mitigation Assistance Program. The secretary will call Don Grenoble concerning this.

**FINANCIAL REPORTS**

January 23, 24 and 25 were the days that Wendy Erney and Lynn Craig came from Seligman, Friedman to help us get Quickbooks back in order and to do the audit. All seems back to the right order. We have not received a bill or the audit.

**Financial Reports and Account Balances**

The balances of the accounts effective 1-31-06 are as follows:

General Fund	\$ 186,267.13		
Equipment Fund	\$ 25,599.73		
Liquid Fuels Fund	\$ 40,347.77		
Capital Reserve Fund	\$ 539,636.17		
Street Light Fund	\$ 2820.91		
Sinking Fund (Loan Balance)	\$ 308,620.00	(Total Interest Paid)	\$ 23,991.54

## **Review and Approve Payment of Operational Bills:**

The Treasurer presented a list of bills to be paid for the month of January. Mr. Strouse made a motion to approve the list of bills as presented. Mr. Bierly seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

## **ADJOURNMENT:**

Mr. Strouse made the motion to adjourn at 8: 45 PM. Mr. Bierly seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

Minutes Submitted by:

Gregg Township Secretary