

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

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 P.M. The following individuals were in attendance:

Members: Douglas Bierly, and Pat Leary

Residents/Visitors: Tom Stitzer - water, Don Grenoble - EMS, Gil Morrison - sewer, Robert Sweeley and Dave Smith

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mr. Sweeley asked if he needed permission to do a rally on March 16 in support of not closing Spring Mills Elementary school. Mr. Leary said that the Penns Valley High School is in Penn Township so he would need Penn Township's permission. He wished Mr. Sweeley luck.

Mr. Grenoble commented that the log trucks on Vonada Gap Road were tearing up the road. Mr. Wingert had looked at the road before they started and told them if it got soft, they were to stop. Mr. Leary is going to check it out on Friday, March 10.

OLD BUSINESS

Water Authority

Mr. Stitzer talked to Don Lee, attorney and the attorney told him he could have them made into a Gregg Township Water Authority within 30 days. Mr. Leary said that Mr. Rayman said it would take some other steps. Mr. Stitzer said Mr. Lee had supposedly talked to Mr. Rayman.

Mr. Stitzer showed the plans drawn up by Nittany Engineering to Mr. Leary and Mr. Bierly. There are some problems with land setbacks and right of way. They suggested he would need to ask the zoning hearing board for a variance. Mr. Stitzer also had plans for the building.

Auman Situation

Mr. Rayman had done a lien search and found nothing on Mr. Auman's properties. Mr. Ripka is to take photos again on March 13 to see if things were cleaned up. The supervisors tabled action until after the 13th with a motion by Mr. Bierly and a second by Mr. Leary. Motion carried 2-0.

Grove subdivision

Mr. Bierly and Mr. Leary looked at the final plans for the Grove Subdivision. Mr. Leary questioned the number of driveways. Mr. Bierly made the motion to approve the plans with Mr. Leary seconding the motion. Motion carried 2-0. They signed the letter to the county with no comments and it will be sent back to the county by March 15, 2006

Newsletter

Steve Maczuga is working on the newsletter. Mr. Leary asked that he be able to proofread before mailing. Mr. Maczuga is planning on mailing it with an issue of The Grapevine.

Run Around Egg Hill

The township received approval from Penn Dot to close the road temporarily for the Run Around Egg Hill. A copy of the letter was sent to Karl Leitzel. The Township also received a copy of the insurance papers for the race.

Penn State Land

Bob Jacobs from the county will be holding a meeting at the Centre Hall Borough building on Wednesday, March 15th at 7:00 PM with Centre Hall Borough, Potter Township and Gregg Township to discuss what the status is to date. Supervisors were invited to attend.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Grenoble asked for permission for the Gregg Township Fire Company and Fire Police to participate in the following events:

❖ Fish Derby

May 20-27

❖ Antique Show Spring	June 1 – June 5
❖ Antiques Show Fall	Sept. 5 – Sept. 10
❖ Centre Hall Carnival	June 6-June 10
❖ Millheim Carnival	June 15, 16 and 17
❖ Rebersburg Carnival	July 6, 7 and 8
❖ Gregg Township Carnival	August 3, 4 and 5
❖ Gregg Township Parade	Thursday, August 3 (need permission from Penn Dot to close road)

Mr. Bierly moved that the township give them permission. Mr. Leary seconded. Motion carried 2-0.

Mr. Morrison brought a report of delinquent Gregg Township sewer accounts. Three have been resolved but there are three that have not. Mr. Schleiden from the Water Street Grill is behind substantially. Mr. Schleiden called Mr. Leary before the meeting but Mr. Leary told him that if the sewer authority was following policy there wasn't anything he could do. Shutting service off means that the water is shut off. Discussion of the closing of Gettigs and the Elementary school and how it would affect the sewer took place. Mr. Morrison said that the sewer authority is going to look into using a collection agency for delinquent accounts.

STAFF/LIAISON REPORTS TO THE BOARD:

1. Gregg Township Fire Company #1

Nothing to report since permission for the Fire Police to participate in events was already taken care of. The Fire Company has been participating in the NIMS training. They will need that to apply for grants.

2. Emergency Management Coordinator

Mr. Grenoble has also been participating in the NIMS training.

3. Gregg Township Sewer Authority

Sewer authority will be audited March 15. Mr. Morrison suspects that they will need to raise prices to make up for the loss of Gettigs and school closing. Vespa is thinking about expanding and has inquired about possible sewer hook-up. Mr. Morrison thinks it is possible.

4. Roadmaster

Mr. Leary gave the report as Mr. Strouse was not at the meeting due to illness.

Roads and bridges

- 2 sections of guide railing has been damaged on Ross Hill
- Installed a new 36 x 36 Stop Ahead sign on Green Grove Road above barn crib at Runkles. Old sign had faded.
- Repaired 1 Speed Limit Sign that was run over and replaced 1 Speed Limit Sign that was stolen.
- Removed down trees from wind storm on Ross Hill, Bitner Hollow, Grenoble, Shook Hollow and Decker Valley Roads.
- Cut brush on Blue Ball and Green Grove.
- Swept intersections on various roads.
- Complaint about trees obstructing vision on Field Stone at Route 45. Notified home owner to cut brush.
- Cold patching on Fire Hall, Railroad and Long Extension.
- Filled pot holes with 2RC stone on Vonada Gap, Decker Valley, Lingle Valley, Blue Ball and Swamp Church Roads.

5. Planning Commission

Mr. Bierly reported the meeting took place on March 6 with Linda Marshall talking with them on village draft and keeping integrity of the village in Spring Mills. No action was taken place on resolution since there were only 4 commission members there.

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

A motion for Resolution #3-06-9 to accept the Penns Valley Region Comprehensive Plan was made by Mr. Bierly. Mr. Leary seconded and the motion carried 2-0. A resolution to accept the acceptance was passed also by Mr. Bierly's motion and Mr. Leary seconding it. Motion carried 2-0. Next meeting is March 27th at 7:00 PM at the Gregg Township Building.

10. Centre County Metropolitan Planning Organization

Approved the removal of the South Central Centre County Transportation Study from the candidate project list. Will be noted in the new LRTP as "project for future consideration" Next meetings are Technical Committee on Tuesday, March 21 at 12:15 and the Coordinating Committee on Tuesday, March 28 at 6:00 PM.

SECRETARY / TREASURER REPORT:

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Bierly made a motion to accept the minutes as amended from the February 9, 2006 meeting. Mr. Leary seconded. Motion carried 2-0.

Review of Township Correspondence

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

Mrs. Kauffman would like to attend a conference on April 6 at the Holiday Inn in Williamsport on Municipal Secretary Duties. Approval was given

There will be a spring clean-up day on April 22 with the group meeting at the Spring Mills Elementary school at 9:00 AM.

The liquid fuels account will be audited on Wednesday, March 15 at 9:15 AM.

Zoning Hearing Board Replacement

Mr. Bierly nominated Donald Albertson for the Zoning Board. Mr. Leary seconded. Motion carried 2-0. Mr. Albertson's term will expire in 2011.

Planning Commission Replacement

Carl Gaffron's name was presented to replace Ian Smith but there was discussion about Dave Sampsel resigning. Mr. Bierly tried to call Mr. Sampsel but no answer. Replacement was put on hold.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Audit

The audit drafts were received and approved with Mr. Bierly making the motion and Mr. Leary seconding. Motion carried 2-0. The notice will go into the Centre Daily Times after the final drafts are received from Seligman, Friedman, and Company, Inc. Mr. Bierly asked when we would be switching to the GASB accounting system. The secretary said that it was to be done this year but with the mess it would have to start in 2007.

Financial Reports and Account Balances

The balances of the accounts effective 2-28-06 are as follows:

General Fund	\$ 164,561.15		
Equipment Fund	\$ 25,636.06		
Liquid Fuels Fund	\$ 34,473.35		
Capital Reserve Fund	\$ 539,716.15		
Street Light Fund	\$ 2,615.67		
Sinking Fund (Loan Balance)	\$ 303,560.00	(Total Interest Paid)	\$ 24,867.23

Review and Approve Payment of Operational Bills:

The Treasurer presented a list of bills to be paid for the month of February. Mr. Bierly made a motion to approve the list of bills as presented. Mr. Leary seconded the motion. The motion carried 2-0.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Bierly made the motion to adjourn at 8: 45 PM. Mr. Leary seconded the motion. The motion carried 2-0.

Minutes Submitted by:

Gregg Township Secretary