

MINUTES
GREGG TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
GREGG TOWNSHIP OFFICE
May 8, 2008

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 7:07 P.M. The following individuals were in attendance:

Members: Pat Leary, Walter Strouse and Doug Bierly

Residents/Visitors: Jane Burrows-OGS, John Miller-Nittany Engineering, Don Franson-Franson Engineering, and Chris Kunes, Planning Commission Chairperson

Absent: Robert Rayman-Solicitor

PUBLIC COMMENT:

OLD BUSINESS:

White Subdivision

John Miller presented the Sewage Planning Module for Mary E White subdivision to be approved by the Supervisors. The Planning Commission, Zoning Officer and Sewage Enforcement Officer have already signed. Mr. Strouse made the motion to approve the Sewage Module. Mr. Bierly seconded. Motion carried.

Mr. Miller wanted to know about fee- in- lieu or land for recreation. Mr. Strouse made a motion to accept the fee of \$1250 and Mr. Bierly seconded. Motion carried. The secretary will send a letter to Anson Burwell, County Planning Commission to that effect.

Road crew Member

After many interviews it was decided to propose Kristian Heckman for the road crew position. Mr. Strouse moved that Kristian be hired. Mr. Bierly seconded. Motion carried 3-0. It is hoped Mr. Heckman will be able to start by June 1, 2008.

Village District

The Planning Commission had given the Supervisors a copy of the Village District at the April meeting. Mr. Rayman, Solicitor, read over the ordinance and had several questions. Mr. Leary felt that there should be a few changes and would make them, pass them along to the Planning Commission members and then advertise after the changes were made. Mr. Strouse made a motion to advertise the ordinance after the corrections were made. Mr. Bierly seconded and motion carried 3-0.

Lower Georges Valley Bridge

Donald Franson presented the easement plats for review on either side of the bridge. They would need to be signed by Linda Marquardt and Michelle A Marquardt. The Township Secretary will mail these to the Marquardts.

Mr. Franson met with DEP and they looked at both abutments which have seriously deteriorated. Pickering, Corts & Summerson, Inc. inspected the bridge again on 4/23/08 and stated it hadn't gotten any worse. There is 6 feet of water there so a commercial diver will be hired to go underwater and place grout bags in the abutments. DEP approves of this repair method.

There are no endangered or threatened species at the site so that report is clear.

The final drawings will be submitted to DEP to apply for the GP11 permit.

NEW BUSINESS:

PCO Lease

PCO is renting another room on the 2nd Floor of the Old Gregg School and therefore will be paying \$137/month for the room. Another lease was drawn up and will be signed by PCO and the Township. Mr. Bierly made a motion to approve and sign the lease. Mr. Strouse seconded. Motion carried.

Fire Police and Fire Company

Mr. Grenoble asked that the following dates be approved for the Gregg Township Fire Company and Fire Police to work at.

- ❖ **Antiques Machinery Show** - May 27-June 1 and September 2-September 7

❖ Centre Hall Carnival	- June 3-7	Parade June 7th
❖ Millheim Carnival	- June 19-21	Parade June 19 th
❖ Rebersburg Carnival	- July 10-12	Parade July 10 th
❖ Gregg Township Carnival	- July 31-August 2	Parade July 31

Mr. Strouse made a motion to approve the events and dates. Mr. Bierly seconded. Motion carried

Aggregate Bidding

Mr. Strouse made a motion to advertise the bids for aggregates in the Centre Daily Times. Mr. Bierly seconded. Motion carried. Some discussion was held on ordering more anti-skid ahead of the winter but there is not enough room to store it.

PEITOAC Letter

Donna Miller, Gregg Township Tax Collector, presented a letter from PEITOAC in regard to the change in collection for the Earned Income Tax. The move is to put it in the County's hands rather than the local tax collector. Ms. Miller feels this will not be beneficial to the Townships and/or School Districts. She is urging the Township to contact representatives and Senators to let them know their opinion. Resolution 5-08-10 was presented. Mr. Bierly made a motion to accept the Resolution and Mr. Strouse seconded. Motion carried. The Township Secretary will send copies to Senator Corman and Representative Benninghoff.

STAFF/LIAISON REPORTS TO THE BOARD:

1. Gregg Township Fire Company #1

No report

2. Emergency Management Coordinator

No report

3. Gregg Township Sewer Authority

No report

4. Gregg Township Water Authority

5. Old Gregg School

Jane Burrows reported

- ❖ Saturday, April 19th was the craft fair. 114 vendors attended.
- ❖ May 3 will be the last Indoor Market as the Outdoor Market in Millheim starts on May 10.
- ❖ One of the upstairs rooms is being used for yoga and Tai Chi. The first classes have been well attended.
- ❖ The Fitness Center is almost finished and they are looking for a June 1 start date.

Mr. Bierly brought up the fact that the heat is still a problem. The Township needs a static computer address to transfer the software from the PV school district to a Township computer. Steve Black is working on this. Mr. Bierly will try to push him to do it quickly.

6. Zoning Hearing Board

No meeting was held

7. Roadmaster

Roads

- ❖ Sweeping roads is completed.
- ❖ Cold patching on Long St. Ext., Railroad and Fire Hall was done.
- ❖ Repaired berms on Lingle Valley Road.
- ❖ Matt Kenepp, Penn DOT, met with Walter on Wednesday, April 30 to look at paving Kline Road and will fax an estimate to the Township Secretary.
- ❖ Cleaned ditches on Lower Georges Valley Road.
- ❖ Cold patching was done on Blue Ball and Grenoble Road.
- ❖ Bids need to go out for aggregates.

Equipment

- ❖ Had Stitzer’s Repair Service replace oil pan on the 2002 Sterling-rusted from salt
- ❖ Changed oil, fuel filters, oil filter and greased chassis on Dressen Roller and John Deer Tractor.
- ❖ Beilers Machine Shop repaired cool chute on Sterling and 1999 F-550 has been repaired.
- ❖ Removed winter cinder spreaders and installed summer spreader on trucks.
- ❖ Installed new cutting edge on snow plow of 1998 F-Series truck.

Mr. Strouse asked who the new employee should get additional work if there is not 8 hours of work each day. Mr. Bierly will be working on a list of jobs.

8. Planning Commission:

They met on May 5.

- ❖ Outdoor Furnaces were discussed with some information distributed from one of the members. The current ordinance was e-mailed to all members for them to read and then discuss at the next meeting. Mr. Kunes feels that the need for inspection on a regular basis is just not feasible for Gregg Township.
- ❖ Norm Lathbury brought the final copy of the Conservation Subdivision ordinance for discussion. One concern was that there wasn’t an option included to use the normal zoning ordinance. Mr. Lathbury will work on including that.
- ❖ Mr. Kunes said that Thanks need to be given to Mr. Lathbury as well as Linda Marshall in all the work they have done with the Gregg Township Planning Commission.
- ❖ Discussion on Article #3 Item d 2 also took place. It will be discussed again at the June 2nd meeting.

9. Penns Valley Code Enforcement Agency

The report did not get faxed due to technical problems.

10. Zoning Officer

A daycare permit was given to a house on Fire Hall road for 6 children. No parking will be allowed on Fire Hall Road.

The PSU land has opened an account with the three entities, Potter Township, Centre Hall Borough and Gregg Township controlling it. A lease has been drawn up with the farmer who is currently taking the hay off of some of the property.

11. Penns Valley Regional Planning Commission

They will meet on May 19th. They are working with the Recreation Commission to incorporate them into the PVRP commission.

12. Centre County Metropolitan Planning Organization

The TIPS program continues and some projects have been dropped due to financial constraints.

Ag Resource Lot

Mary White’s subdivision is including an agricultural resource lot and this needs to be added to Gregg Township’s zoning ordinance. Mr. Kunes will call Stan Wallace from Nittany Engineering to get the specifics and this will be discussed at the next Planning Commission meeting.

SECRETARY / TREASURER REPORT:

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Bierly made the motion to accept the minutes from the April 10, 2008 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. The Supervisors signed a certificate for Sean Pattens Eagle Scout Award.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Financial Reports and Account Balances

The balances of the accounts effective 4-30-08 are as follows:

General Fund	\$ 292,424.44		
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Equipment Fund	\$ 81,142.02		
Liquid Fuels Fund	\$ 183,694.46		
Capital Reserve Fund	\$ 55,914.76	96,751.34(savings)	532,082.14(CDs)
Street Light Fund	\$ 2,626.06		
Sinking Fund (Loan Balance)	\$ 172,000.00	(Total Interest Paid)	\$ 29,665.07

School Fund	\$149.69(new community center)
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Review and Approve Payment of Operational Bills:

The Treasurer presented a list of bills to be paid for the month of April. 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. Bierly made the motion to adjourn at 8:58PM. Mr. Strouse seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

Minutes Submitted by:
Gregg Township Secretary