

MINUTES  
GREGG TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
GREGG TOWNSHIP OFFICE  
June 8, 2006

**CALL TO ORDER:**

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 P.M. The following individuals were in attendance:

Members: Pat Leary, Doug Bierly and Walter Strouse

Residents/Visitors: Tom Stitzer - water, Don Grenoble-EMS and Gregg Township Fire Co., Karen Weiss-Nittany Engineering

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

The regular meeting was closed and the public hearing for the Water Authority was opened. There was no public comment. Robert Rayman, solicitor gave the terms for the board members since they weren't available before. Tom Stitzer- 5 years, Dale Musser-2 years, Curt McCool-3 years, Greg Evans-4 years, and Laron Horner-1 year. They have different lengths so the board will be staggered. The hearing was then closed. The regular meeting resumed.

Mr. Bierly made the motion to pass Ordinance 6-06-01 for the Water Authority. Mr. Strouse seconded. Motion carried 3-0. A signed copy was given to Mr. Rayman. The Articles of Corporation were also signed.

Don Grenoble made a comment that Vonada Gap road was in great shape and that he appreciated the work that had been done. Mr. Strouse said they had worked on it after the logger was finished. He also commented on the State Police watching Lower Georges Valley Road.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Auman Situation**

The hearing at the District Magistrate will be June 14, 2006 at 4PM. This will be for the payment of the bill for clean-up in December of 2005. Mr. Auman will be there with a lawyer. He is still being fined by Mr. Ripka from the PVACEA. Mr. Rayman and Mrs. Kauffman will be attending the hearing.

**Recycling with Penn, Haines and Millheim Borough**

Haines Township's Secretary, Susan Wenrick, e-mailed to see if Gregg would be willing to participate in a white-goods recycling day and a tire day. The supervisors had questions about the date, advertisement, drop-off points. The secretary will contact Ms. Wenrick to get answers.

**Logging**

Christ Speicher did some logging on Vonada Gap Road and is finished. Mr. Strouse and Jeff Wingert, zoning officer, inspected the area and found the road is in bad shape. Mr. Wingert called Mr. Speicher and informed him that the Supervisors were keeping the \$1500.00 check and if there was additional cost he would be responsible. Mr. Strouse gave the secretary the itemized list of work to repair the road. She totaled it and got a total of \$3,331.38. Deducting the \$1500 check gives a balance of \$1,831.38. An invoice was sent to Mr. Speicher on the 2<sup>nd</sup> of June.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Penns Valley Regional Planning Commission**

Resolution 6-06-12 for the reestablishment of Penns Valley Regional Planning Commission was moved by Mr. Bierly and seconded by Mr. Strouse. Motion carried 3-0.

**Gregg Township Fire Company Raffle**

Mr. Fultz asked Mr. Leary whether the Supervisors could contribute to the cost of printing raffle tickets for the Gregg Township Carnival. They do not have a cost as of yet. Mr. Bierly said that would be fine.

**Nittany Engineering**

Karen Weiss is working as the engineer for the Water Authority. She gave some information on what is being planned and what the Supervisors will need to do. Interim financing will be applied for and the Bond Council will be talking to the Supervisors about backing. A water filtration system will be put in adjacent to the existing spring house, a

new water tank, replacing 450' line between the new water filtration system and a connection on the other side of RT. 45. Need to get water allocation permit and a public water supply permit. A land swap will be done with Penn Dot and is being currently worked on. The water authority is going to be acquiring some land from Chris Kunes and will need a zoning variance for setback requirements. Land is being donated from Denise Immel and Aly Musser has given them a right-of-way.

Interim Financing will be gotten from local banks by the Bond Council. Estimation of the cost will be about 1.4 million. 300-500 thousand will be needed for interim funding. They are looking to get as much free money as possible.

The next meeting will address the Water Authority By-Laws Resolution.

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

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

The parade permit is here from Penn Dot. Mrs. Kauffman will keep it at the office until August.

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

Mr. Grenoble has been taking NIMS classes and gave one certificate of completion to the secretary. Mr. Leary said he had gotten mail at home to see if the Supervisors were NIMS compliant. He will contact Mr. Rockey from the County.

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

No report

### **4. Roadmaster**

#### **Roads and bridges**

- Spread 2 RC stone on Blue Ball Gap Road and added 6 feet of 18" culvert pipe to existing pipe.
- Graded berms on Blue Ball.
- Graded Vonada Gap and Lingle Valley Road.
- Spread 120 tons of 2 RC on Vonada Gap Road where loggers had been.
- Rolled 2 RC stone on Vonada Gap Road 2 times.
- Cut brush on Vonada Gap Road.
- Added 2 12 foot sections of 12" pipe on Lingle Valley Road and removed some tree stumps.
- Cleaned ditches on Decker Valley Road.
- Hauled 2 loads of 2 RC stones with the F550 to the Fireman's Carnival Ground for their building.

#### **Equipment**

- Had the spring replaced on 1998 F Series truck.

Mr. Strouse said that there is a tree in the creek that needs to be taken out before it causes some problems. He and Mr. Grenoble discussed removing the log. The bridges do not need to be washed this year since they seem to be clean.

Another lumberer is working up on Mountain Springs Road. Jeff Wingert contacted them and we have a letter of bond from the bank for F & M Lumbering. They intend to be done by June 13.

Mr. Denny Kaiser on Reeder Road said when it rains hard his ditch backs up at the driveway. Mr. Strouse will look into it.

### **5. Planning Commission**

They met on Monday, June 5. Julie Mason was in attendance as a replacement. Beth Rider from the Centre County Planning Office prepared maps for assistance in identifying linear park possibilities and other recreation areas. A sub-group of the planning commission will meet on Monday, June 12 at 7:00 to discuss use of the maps. They are on the township office wall. Linda Marshall from the Centre County Planning Office provided more information on the Village District setbacks, commercial uses and definitions, and goals were presented to Ms. Rider and Ms. Marshall for the construction of a fee-in-lieu of ordinance.

### **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. Rusty Horner’s pool permit is pending because the lot may not have enough room for the setback. He and Jeff are working on that.

**9. Penns Valley Regional Planning Commission**

All municipalities have approved the new by-laws. New officers were elected: Tom Sharer-Chairman, Pat Leary-Vice Chairman, Ray Hankinson-Treasurer and the Centre County Planning Office as Secretary.

The Commission will meet at the Gregg Township building on the third Monday of July, September, and November at 7 PM at the Gregg Township Building.

**10. Centre County Metropolitan Planning Organization**

No minutes were received

**SEO Report**

Jeff Kreger was there and made some reports on soil testing that he has been doing in the area for various people. Louis Peachey, Jeff Hosterman and Gerald Goodheart are planning on doing some subdivisions in the future. Nittany Engineering is doing the surveying for the 17 lots of Peachey land. Henry Surveying is working on the Goodheart division but Mr. Goodheart does not want to have the soil testing done on the one plot. He was told by Mr. Wingert and Mr. Kreger that he needed to do that.

**SECRETARY / TREASURER REPORT:**

**Approval of Minutes**

Mr. Strouse made a motion to accept the minutes as amended from the May 11, 2006 meeting. Mr. Bierly seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

**Review of Township Correspondence**

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

**FINANCIAL REPORTS**

**Financial Reports and Account Balances**

The balances of the accounts effective 4-30-06 are as follows:

General Fund	\$ 315,764.34		
Equipment Fund	\$ 47,756.30		
Liquid Fuels Fund	\$ 115,789.96		
Capital Reserve Fund	\$ 540,476.22		
Street Light Fund	\$ 3,725.47		
Sinking Fund (Loan Balance)	\$ 288,380.00	(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 May. Mr. Bierly questioned why there was a bill for Franson Engineering. That bill was for the PV EMT building so they need to be invoiced. Mrs. Kauffman also mentioned that there also was a bill from September of 2005 that had not been paid. Mr. Leary asked that she give him the invoices and he would take them to the next EMT meeting. 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 8:30PM. Mr. Strouse seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

Minutes Submitted by:

Gregg Township Secretary