

MINUTES
GREGG TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
GREGG TOWNSHIP OFFICE
SEPTEMBER 14, 2006

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 P.M. The following individuals were in attendance:

Members: Pat Leary, Doug Bierly and Walter Strouse

Residents/Visitors: Mylan Grove and Mark Kauffman

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

The general meeting was closed and the hearings were opened. Ordinance # 9-06-03 was discussed. This was adding 7 lots to a private road over the 4. This will be the same as the county planning ordinance. Mark Kauffman thanked the supervisors for this ordinance as it would make what he is trying to do with his farm land easier.

Ordinance #9-06-04 was discussed. This was to enable the tax collector to charge fees for duplicate tax invoices, moving of mobile homes, overdrafts and copies. No comments were made.

Hearings were closed. General meeting opened up.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mylan Grove, Long Street, said that the drainage ditch near his home needs to be cleaned out. It is running over with water at times and then other times the water lies in their and tends to breed mosquitoes. Mr. Strouse said that is Penn Dot's ditch so Mr. Grove will call the Bellefonte Penn Dot office and talk to Michael Fay and the township secretary will send them a letter asking them to clean the ditch.

OLD BUSINESS

Water Authority

Mr. Stitzer reported that the water authority is on track. He dropped a copy of the By-Laws off and each supervisor was given one as well as one being put in the water authority file.

Gregg Township Elementary

Mr. Leary reported that the YMCA is expressing interest in the first floor of the school. Chris Kunes would like to put elderly housing in the building but has no facts and figures at this point. The school board members would like to see the building used as a multi-municipal civic center. Mr. Rayman would like to remove the liability from the Township by forming an Authority. No vote has been taken by the school district as to the future of the building.

Bitner Hollow Sign

Trooper Buzite from Rockview State Police called again about the sign and the secretary said that the township would just like the sign returned and no charges would be filed. Someone will need to go the Rockview barracks between 7-3 weekdays and sign for it. Mrs. Kauffman will take care of it.

PV EMS

The loan to the PV EMS was discussed again for Mr. Strouse's benefit. The plan is to borrow 5 years of money to pay them now. This would give us 5 years of rent free. Mr. Rayman suggested that the auditor be contacted to see how it would impact the Township. The secretary will do that.

White Goods

Susan Wenrick contacted the secretary and the date of October 23, 2006 has been set for the White Goods Collection. Ms. Wenrick sent a copy of the flier she will be using. Mrs. Kauffman changed it to fit Gregg Township's plan. White Goods can be dropped off at Gregg Township's shed on October 23 from 8 AM – 2PM. If anyone needs help, they may call the township office before the 20th for pick-up. Mr. Bierly moved that the White Goods Collection happen. Mr. Strouse seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Cable Company

In August, Barry Kuppel from the Millheim Cable Company asked if the Township would be willing to pay for the cable that crosses Penns Creek so that the cable company didn't have to pay the \$250.00 fee. Motion had carried but nothing has been directed yet.

NEW BUSINESS

Ordinances

Ordinance 9-06-3 was moved by Mr. Bierly to be passed. Mr. Strouse seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Ordinance 9-06-4 was moved by Mr. Bierly to be passed. Mr. Strouse seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Planning Commission

Mr. Bierly asked the Solicitor if a planning commission member who moves out of the Township can still serve on the Commission. Mr. Rayman said that can't happen.

There was also some interest expressed for the zoning officer position by a retired policeman. It was discussed using this person as an alternate. Executive Session will be held after the meeting to discuss this.

Salt Quotes

The secretary has received two quotes from American Rock Salt Co. and Ollinger Brothers. Mr. Strouse reported that they have 30 tons of salt left over from last winter. The secretary will advertise the bids for the next Supervisor's meeting.

Boy Scout Food Drive

Greg Day phoned the secretary for the Boy Scouts to conduct a food drive in Gregg Township. The bags and a note would be distributed Saturday, October 28th and food would be picked up on Saturday, November 4. Mr. Bierly made the motion to give them permission. Mr. Strouse seconded. Motion carried 3-0. The secretary will call Mr. Day and let him know,

Trick or Treat Night

Tuesday, October 31 from 6-8 will be Trick or Treat Night for Gregg Township.

Real-Estate Transfer Ordinance

Mr. Rayman will work on it and it will be discussed at the October meeting.

Staff and Liaison Reports

1. Fire Company and Emergency Management

The NIMs training will be held on Wednesday, October 18 from 6-9 PM at the Gregg Township building. All of the Penns Valley Township and boroughs will be invited to attend.

2. Budget Workshop Meetings

Two meetings have been set up for working on the 2007 Gregg Township Budget. The secretary will advertise them in the newspaper as Wednesday, September 20th and October 4th at 7 PM at the Township Building.

3. Sewer Authority

Gil Morrison sent the secretary a copy of an e-mail he had sent to Senator Corman's office in regard to no additional funding for sewer authorities. He received a reply from Mr. Corman's aide apologizing.

4. Zoning Hearing Board

There was a Zoning Hearing Board meeting on September 7, 2006 at 7 PM at the Gregg Township Building. It was in regard to John Corman's property and a setback. 4 of the 5 members were present as well as the Solicitor, Jeff Stover. The final vote was to give the variance to the setback for a front porch at 853 Penns Cave Road.

5. Roadmaster

Roads and Bridges

- Cut brush on Firehall Rd and Maple Lane
- Mowing is completed on township roads
- Cut dead trees on Vonada Gap, Decker Valley and Lingle Valley
- Filled berms on various roads
- Cleaned culvert pipes with John Deere backhoe on Lingle Valley and Decker Valley Roads
- Removed large tree from Penns Creek
- Installed 2 -25mph signs on Blue Ball Road that were destroyed
- Graded berms on Ross Hill
- 30 tons of salt still available from last winter
- 5-25 mph and 5-35 mph speed limit signs were ordered
- Took a tree off the road at Mary Kay Williams house on Kline Road
- Cold patched Grenoble Road

Equipment

- Emergency lights fixed on Sterling at Stitzer's Repair Service. No Charge since the wire was hooked up wrong.
- Removed mower from tractor and installed post driver

Mr. Strouse attended Bradco Open House. He talked to the reps about the belts on red truck. The new belts have been changed. He suggested Mr. Strouse get a different kind of belt to fix the problem. Wayne from Bradco will try to get one for him.

Mr. Strouse will be on vacation from October 15-17.

6. Planning Commission

The Commission met on September 4. Norm Lathbury from the Centre County Planning Commission spoke on Conservation Subdivision.

7. Zoning Officer

Jeff Wingert's report was in the packet.

8. PVCEA

Glenn Ripka's report was sent. He stated Francis Auman's property is still in compliance. Mr. Ripka had followed up on the complaints about the Pyle property and the owners did some cleaning up but are still not in compliance.

9. Regional Planning Commission

Mr. Bierly reported that they will meet on Monday, September 18th at the Gregg Township building at 7 PM.

SECRETARY/ TREASURER REPORT

Mr. Strouse moved that the minutes for the August 10, 2006 meeting be approved. Mr. Bierly seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

A letter was received from the County Probation and Parole Department regarding juvenile community service. After discussion, the secretary will ask someone from the Department to attend the October meeting to answer questions.

Mrs. Kauffman would like to attend an MTAP class on EXCEL at the Central PA Institute of Science and Technology on October 17. Mr. Bierly moved that she could attend. Mr. Strouse seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Financial Reports and Account Balances

The balances of the accounts effective 8-31-06 are as follows:

General Fund	\$ 337,312.57		
Equipment Fund	\$ 108,338.71		
Liquid Fuels Fund	\$ 228,766.90		
Capital Reserve Fund	\$ 542,068.50		
Street Light Fund	\$ 6000.37		
Sinking Fund (Loan Balance)	\$ 273,200.00	(Total Interest Paid)	\$ 26,116.76

Review and Approve Payment of Operational Bills:

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

ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Strouse made the motion to adjourn at 8:50 PM. Mr. Bierly seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

Minutes Submitted by:

Gregg Township Secretary

