

MINUTES
GREGG TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
GREGG TOWNSHIP OFFICE
NOVEMBER 10, 2005

CALL TO ORDER:

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

Members: Douglas Bierly, Pat Leary and Walter Strouse.

Residents/Visitors: Bob Rayman-solicitor, Doug Young-fire chief, Mike Matis-asst. fire chief, Ray Grove and Nevin Stitzer

PUBLIC COMMENT:

The Gregg Township Fire Company had a personnel issue that was discussed at an executive session before the meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

Water Authority

Tom Stitzer called ahead of the meeting since he was unable to attend. He told the secretary that the sewer authority is not interested in combining with the water because they would have to refinance their loans and it would probably be at a higher interest rate. So the water group will have to take the necessary steps to become their own authority.

PVCEA

Fee schedule won't be ready until February.

Mr. Ripka got a quote from G's Clean-up to take care of the Francis Auman situation. G's will come in and remove the trash. Their insurance papers were with the bid. Mr. Bierly moved to hire G's Cleanup and give 3 weeks notice to Mr. Auman. Mr. Strouse seconded. The motion was approved 3-0. (After Mrs. Kauffman talked to Kathie Guthrie from G's we decided to make it two weeks because of impending winter weather)

Land purchase by Potter Township, Centre Hall Borough and Gregg Township

162 acres of land is owned by Penn State University and adjoins the Grange Fair grounds on the west side. They are offering it to the group at a considerably lower rate than originally appraised at \$955,000 and offered to the municipalities for \$750,000. There has been a DCNR grant of \$250,000 to purchase the land. DCNR grants have strings attached so they are looking into the conditions.

2006 Budget

The budget is open for public review and will be voted on at the December 8 meeting since it has only been advertised for 17 days and needs to be open for 20 days.

St. Mary's Insurance

Scott Surra came to meet with Mrs. Kauffman on October 26 and review the current insurance plan that the township has with claims and costs. He will get back to us in December with quotes.

Regional Planning Commission

The November 16th public hearing on the Valley Comprehension plan has been postponed. There is a sign on RT45 advertising it according to Mr. Rayman. Mr. Bierly will call Penn Dot on Friday, the 11th to have that date changed to December 19th.

Other Old Business

No other old business was discussed.

NEW BUSINESS:

MILEAGE RATE

The federal mileage rate has been changed from 40.5 cents to 48.5 cents as of September 1, 2005. Mr. Bierly moved to change Gregg Township's rate to the current 48.5 cents. Mr. Strouse seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

REORGANIZATION MEETING

The meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 3, 2006 as Monday, January 2, 2006 is New Year's Day.

PALLONE INSURANCE

Gary from the present insurance company will be here on December 1, 2005 at 1:00 PM to review the present policy. Any interested supervisors are welcome to attend.

PV REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

The participating municipal planning commissions will meet on December 19 at 7 PM at the Penns Valley High School cafeteria to review the submissions of the large landowners to the regional plan. One municipal elected official ply one planning commission member need to be there.

STAFF/LIAISON REPORTS TO THE BOARD:

1. Gregg Township Fire Company #1

Mr. Young and Mr. Matis reported that will put some dry hydrants in this coming weekend. They have 12 to be installed. All the materials are in and the paperwork is completed.

2. Emergency Management Coordinator

No report was given.

3. Gregg Township Sewer Authority

No report was given.

4. Roadmaster

Equipment

- Installed tubes and tires on the John Deere loader
- Radiator fixed on Ford 444
- Rebuilt water pump on John Deer 444
- Removed a hose that was leaking on the grader and had LW Hose repair it

Roads and bridges

- Snowmobile signs installed
- Pot holes filled with 2RC on unpaved roads
- Ditches cleaned
- Cold patched Immel Road
- Snow fence is almost completely finished
- Repaired head wall on culvert on Immel Road
- Salt from Bradco to be delivered next week

Mr. Leary asked that Mr. Strouse would look over the bridge reports and see if there is anything that the township can repair.

5. Planning Commission: 11/7/05

- Sandy Kosik resigned since she has moved into a condominium outside the township. She has been on the planning commission since 1971. A thank-you note was passed for the supervisors to sign.
- Mr. Bierly nominated Jane Scheuchenzuber to replace Ms. Kosik. She is a retired school teacher from Lewistown. Walter seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.
- Meeting held was on large landowners concerns. Recommendations were taken and the Gregg Township planning commission will discuss this at their December 5, 2005 meeting. The regional commission will be meeting December 19th at the Penns Valley High School cafeteria.

6. Zoning Hearing Board

No meeting was necessary.

7. Penns Valley Code Enforcement Agency

Mr. Ripka sent the monthly report and also followed up on G's cleaning for the Auman situation.

8. Zoning Officer

Jeff Wingert submitted written reports.

9. Penns Valley Regional Planning Commission

The public meeting on the plan has been scheduled for Monday, December 19, 2005 at the Penns Valley Area High School cafeteria. It will begin at 7 PM and one municipal elected officer and one planning commission member are to attend. The recommendations from the large landowners will be discussed.

10. Centre County Metropolitan Planning Organization

Mr. Bierly moved that Ray Hankinson serve as the Penns Valley representative to replace Jay Sletson. Mr. Strouse seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

SECRETARY / TREASURER REPORT:

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Bierly made motion to accept the minutes from October 13, 2005 meeting. Mr. Strouse seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

Review of Township Correspondence

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

1. Change of secretary form for Penn Dot to be signed by supervisors.
2. Official bond for Mrs. Kauffman to be witnessed.
3. Penns Valley EMS membership for the business. Mr. Strouse moved and Mr. Bierly seconded to join. Motion carried 3-0.
4. Meeting with Jessica Sheets. Mr. Bierly will ask her to attend a supervisor's meeting.
5. Donation to Penns Valley Historical Museum. Mrs. Kauffman was asked to look and see what we gave in the past.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Financial Reports and Account Balances

The balances of the accounts effective 10-31-05 are as follows:

General Fund	\$ 209,662.68		
Equipment Fund	\$ 24,548.93		
Liquid Fuels Fund	\$ 58,021.37		
Capital Reserve Fund	\$ 539,465.80		
Street Light Fund	\$ 3,355.27		
Sinking Fund (Loan Balance)	\$ 318,740.00	(Total Interest Paid)	\$ 22,195.43

Review and Approve Payment of Operational Bills:

The Treasurer presented a list of bills to be paid for the month of September. 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: 35 PM. Mr. Bierly seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

Minutes Submitted by:

Gregg Township Secretary