

The meeting of the Douglass Township Board of Supervisors was called to order at 7:33 P.M. Attending were Chairman John Stasik, Jr, Vice Chairman Fred Ziegler, Supervisor Anthony Kuklinski, Solicitor Paul Bauer, Engineer John Sartor, Andrew Duncan, Chief Templin, Pete Hiryak and approximately 26 residents.

Mr. Stasik led us in the pledge of allegiance.

Chairman Stasik asked the public to place all cell phones on silent and please refrain from texting.

Mr. Stasik asked if there were any changes, corrections, or comments on the minutes of September 16th, 2013 Board of Supervisors Meeting, no changes or comments were given.

A motion was made by Mr. Ziegler, seconded by Mr. Kuklinski to approve the minutes of the September 16th, 2013 Board of Supervisor meeting. Kuklinski-Aye, Stasik-Aye, Ziegler-Aye. Motion passed.

Engineer's Report – Mr. John Sartor

Berwind II Subdivision – We attended the first zoning hearing along with Paul Bauer and issued our second review letter regarding the subdivision plan submission on 9/12/13, and issued our first review letter regarding the sewage facilities planning module submission on 9/12/13, since that time we attended the continuance of the zoning hearing on 9/24 and 10/3/13 along with Paul Bauer. At the 10/3/13 hearing, the Zoning Hearing Board granted the applicant's requests for zoning relief.

County Line Road Bridge – On 8/6/13 we received McCormick Taylor's interim inspection report concerning the subject bridge. On 9/20/13 we received Thomas L. Zeigler, P.E.'s letter report summarizing his findings and conclusions concerning McCormick Taylor's report. On 9/23/13 we forwarded Mr. Zeigler's letter report to the Township, Representative Toepel, and Representative Maloney. We are in agreement with Mr. Zeigler's conclusion that the bridge be replaced completely.

Hallowell Subdivision (Residential Cluster) – On 8/30/13 we received the applicant's revised plan submission, which we have reviewed and issued a draft review letter on 9/30/13 to the applicant's engineer. We have had email communications with the applicant's engineer since then and are finalizing our review letter to be discussed at the P/A meeting.

Mountain Mulch – With the Board's authorization, we surveyed the areal extent and height of the mulch piles at the site on 9/23/13. The plan showing the required mulch areas and mulch pile heights was updated on 9/27/13. Our recent survey indicates that the areal extent of the mulch piles is less than 7.5 acres and none of the mulch piles are over 20 feet in height.

Provo Pinegood Grosser Road, LP/Wawa Land Development – On 9/12/13 we issued our first review letter regarding the sewage facilities planning module submission. On 9/26/13 we attended a staff meeting with the applicant, their civil and traffic engineers, and Pete Hiryak to discuss our review letters.

Suburban Water Technology Drainage Investigations – We attended a site meeting, with the Board's authorization, on 9/19/13 with Pete Hiryak, Mike Heydt, and representatives of Suburban Water Technology, Inc. On 9/20/13 we issued a memorandum addressed to the Township which summarized our observations, conclusions, and recommendations concerning the existing storm water drainage conditions at the subject property. There were no storm water violations found. Mr. Stasik asked if there were any questions on the Engineer's Report, no one replied.

A motion was made by Mr. Stasik, seconded by Mr. Ziegler to accept the Engineer's Report. Kuklinski-Aye, Stasik-Aye, Ziegler-Aye. Motion passed.

BMMA Report (September 23, 2013 Meeting) – Bob Dries

Mr. Dries stated that the August meeting minutes are in the lobby. BMMA approved the 2014 Fiscal Year operating budget of \$2,482,421.00. BMMA approved an EDU for 1410 County Line Road. A leaking lateral at 160 Oak Street was repaired by BMMA. BMMA authorized updating the 537 plan, reviewing the changes with the Townships, and submitting to DEP. This update was the result of the June 17th letter from DEP regarding the original submission. The BMMA tapping fees were updated to reflect the completed and planned work associated with the Consent Order with

DEP. The tapping fees will be \$8500/\$7500/\$5000/\$4750 dependent upon location. Work is progressing as planned on the Digester Maintenance Program that is done on a ten year cycle. Payment application #2 for \$20,086.20 was approved. Work is progressing on the 2013 Sewer Repair Project. The work in Bechtelsville has been completed except for final paving. Work is progressing on the Maple Street portion in Douglass Township. Payment application #1 for \$131,252.25 was approved. The next BMMA meeting will be on October 28th at 7pm in our office on Municipal Drive. Mr. Moser gave a brief overview of the revised Act 537 Plan involving the replacement of approximately 1,615 feet of pipe to the pump station and increasing the capacity and asked for the Board's approval for the Resolution of the revised plan. Mr. Kuklinski asked if this involved the issues with the Gilbertsville Basin, Mr. Moser replied yes. No other questions were asked.

A motion was made by Mr. Kuklinski, seconded by Mr. Ziegler to approve the Act 537 Plan Update/Resolution 100713-03 for the revision of the Act 537 Plan. Kuklinski-Aye, Stasik-Aye, Ziegler-Aye. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Mr. Kuklinski, seconded by Mr. Ziegler to approve the BMMA Report. Kuklinski-Aye, Stasik-Aye, Ziegler-Aye. Motion passed.

Police Department Report – Chief Barry Templin

Chief Templin thanked the Pottstown Classic Car Club for giving our police department a plaque recognizing the distinguished service, devotion, and dedication our police department has for our community. Chief Templin also thanked Gilbertsville Fire & Rescue, Conrad's Auto Body and the Boyertown Salvation Army for coming out on September 26th and assisting us with our DUI road check. Three DUI arrests were made; six traffic citations and one non-traffic citation were issued. The Bureau of Justice Assistance has informed me that our police department will receive a grant in the amount of \$815.00 for the purchase of bulletproof vests through the Bulletproof Vest Partnership Program. On Saturday, October 26th from 10am to 2pm our police department will be holding the Sixth National Drug Take Back Initiative for people to turn in their unwanted, unused, or expired medications, sharps are not accepted. Our drop off site will be inside the Giant Food Store at 173 Holly Road in Gilbertsville. We also have a drop off site here at the Township Administration Building main entrance area available Monday – Friday 8am to 4pm, except on legal Holidays. Unused, unwanted, or expired prescription medications, over the counter medications and pet medications will be accepted – no sharps; this will be for residents only, no businesses please. No questions were asked.

A motion was made by Mr. Ziegler, seconded by Mr. Stasik to accept the Police Department Report. Kuklinski-Aye, Stasik-Aye, Ziegler-Aye. Motion passed.

Solicitor's Report – Mr. Paul Bauer

Cable Franchise Agreement/Comcast – Mr. Bauer stated that he received the agreement from Comcast however it was too late to review with the Board of Supervisors, it will be reviewed for the October 21st meeting.

Berwind II– There was three separate meetings for the Berwind II zoning hearing. The Zoning Hearing Board granted the variance in support of the improvement plan for the Middle Creek Road area that would substantially improve the flooding situation of that area starting in Phase I of the plan. Mr. Stasik asked if there were any questions on the Solicitor's Report, no one replied.

Applications which are pending but inactive:

Danny Jake – Hallowell	inactive 2 years
Cobblestone Commons	inactive 1 year

A motion was made by Mr. Ziegler, seconded by Mr. Kuklinski to accept the Solicitor's Report. Kuklinski-Aye, Stasik-Aye, Ziegler-Aye. Motion passed.

Highway Report – Andrew Duncan

Mr. Duncan stated that the road crew repaired drainage issues on Congo Niantic and Henry Roads. Third round of roadside mowing was completed, potholes were repaired, and they cleaned out ditches and drain area because of the rain. No questions were asked.

A motion was made by Mr. Kuklinski, seconded by Mr. Stasik to accept the Highway Report. Kuklinski-Aye, Stasik-Aye, Ziegler-Aye. Motion passed.

Pete Hiryak presented the Manager's Report

1. The Manager reviewed the upcoming meetings as follows (open to public): P/A Workshop, Thursday, October 10th @ 6pm – (Riparian Corridor), P/A Meeting 7pm. Board of Supervisors Meeting Monday, October 21st @ 7:30pm, Agenda Meeting @ 7pm, Open Space/Rec Committee Meeting, Monday October 21st @ 6:30pm.
2. Wawa Land Development Review Extension Request – the manager stated that Wawa is requesting a 90 day extension because the Rt. 100 Point of Access Study has not been completed and the development plan review letter is not completed.

A motion was made by Mr. Kuklinski, seconded by Mr. Ziegler to approve a 90 day extension of review requested by Wawa. Kuklinski-Aye, Stasik-Aye, Ziegler-Aye. Motion passed.

3. 2014 Budget Meetings – the manager stated he needs approval and a motion to advertise the 2014 Budget Meeting Dates which are open to the public. October 16th – Police Department 3pm-5pm, October 18th – Trash/Recycling and Park 3pm-5pm, October 23rd – Highway and Liquid Fuels 3pm-5pm, and October 25th – Administration Office 3pm-5pm.

A motion was made by Mr. Ziegler, seconded by Mr. Kuklinski to approve the advertisement of the 2014 Budget meeting dates. Kuklinski-Aye, Stasik-Aye, Ziegler-Aye. Motion passed.

4. Bridge Updates – the manager stated that the Paper Mill Road Bridge has been closed by Montgomery County for complete replacement. It will take twelve months for the design plan, and at least an additional six months to eight months for bridge replacement, letters have been sent out to the residents on Paper Mill Road, a notice is on the Township website, and all emergency services have been contacted. County Line Road Bridge – there has been a weight limit change to 29 tons/36ton combination and we need a motion by the Board to approve and post the changes.

A motion was made by Mr. Stasik, seconded by Mr. Kuklinski to approve the weight limit change to County Line Road Bridge and to post the changes. Kuklinski-Aye, Stasik-Aye, Ziegler-Aye. Motion passed.

Congo Road/Miller Road Bridge – there are weight limit restrictions on Congo Road/Miller Road Bridge of 33 tons and a motion is needed by the Board to approve the restrictions and postings of this change.

A motion was made by Mr. Stasik, seconded by Mr. Kuklinski to approve the and post the restrictions on Congo Road/Miller Road Bridge. Kuklinski-Aye, Stasik-Aye, Ziegler-Aye. Motion passed.

5. Gilbertsville Area Community Ambulance Service – there will be a New Vehicle Ceremony held on Wednesday, October 9th from 5pm-6pm at the Ambulance Service building, if the Board is able to attend.

A motion was made by Mr. Ziegler, seconded by Mr. Kuklinski to accept the Manager's Report. Kuklinski-Aye, Stasik-Aye, Ziegler-Aye. Motion passed.

Old Business/New Business

Ruth Baker – School Board Election Resolution – At the last meeting the Board approved the School Board Election Conversion Resolution, the manager asked for approval for the Resolution and signatures from the Board. No questions were asked.

A motion was made by Mr. Kuklinski, seconded by Mr. Stasik for the Execution of Resolution for the School Board Election Conversion Resolution 100713-02. Kuklinski-Aye, Stasik-Aye, Ziegler-Aye. Motion passed.

The manager asked for the Board's approval for a Disposition of Municipal Records Resolution 100713-01 for the destruction of records in accordance with the Retention and Disposition Schedule for Records of Pennsylvania Municipalities. No questions were asked. No other old business or new business was given.

A motion was made by Mr. Kuklinski, seconded by Mr. Stasik to approve Resolution 100713-01 for Disposition of Municipal Records. Kuklinski-Aye, Stasik-Aye, Ziegler-Aye. Motion passed.

Public Comment

Chris Mullaney, an attorney on behalf of the residents against Mountain Mulch, expressed concerns that Mountain Mulch has applied for a Municipal Waste Permit and asked the Supervisors to review the proposal carefully because this tactic is that of a bait and switch technique. He also had great concerns that the taxpayers unfortunately had to get a lawyer to represent them against their neighbor. The Board of Supervisors again stated their support for the residents that live near the Mountain Mulch facility. Mr. Bauer recommended that the Board not comment on litigation that the Township is not a part of. Mr. Bauer stated that the Township authorized the Engineer to re-survey the property and the size was within the 7-1/2 acres, there could have been more specific conditions placed upon Mountain Mulch at the zoning hearing. Mr. Mullaney questioned the Township Engineer's site calculations on the mulch piles stating that the stakeout of the 7-1/2 acres could not be this precise as shown on the drawings. Mr. Mullaney also stated that this application is a misrepresentation to DEP for a Municipal Waste Permit; it will become a waste transfer station or landfill. Mr. Bauer stated that it would be highly unlikely that the DEP would grant a landfill permit on a permanently preserved farm or would even act on the permit without any Township involvement or comments. Mr. DiCicco stated that once this permit is approved it's too late to act on it; Ms. Orner added that we have missed all deadlines with this Mountain Mulch situation from the start. Ms. Baker asked what type of application was it because there is an important difference between Residual Waste and Solid Waste permits. Mr. Bauer will be given a copy of the application and review with the manager to report back to the Board at the October 21st meeting. No other public comment was given.

A motion was made by Mr. Kuklinski, seconded by Mr. Ziegler to adjourn the meeting at 8:23pm. Kuklinski-Aye, Stasik-Aye, Ziegler-Aye. Motion passed.

The next Board of Supervisor's meeting will be held on Monday, October 21st, 2013 @ 7:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted by,

Marcy Meitzler