

Middleton Township Board of Supervisors August 4, 2016

The meeting of the North Middleton Township Board of Supervisors was held at the Township Municipal Building, 2051 Spring Road, Carlisle PA on August 4, 2016. Chairman James Hare called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Board members present were Supervisor Harry Kelso, Supervisor Robert Reisinger, Supervisor Pat McDowell, Supervisor David Smith, Solicitor Mark Allshouse, Manager Deborah Ealer, Interim Police Chief Gary Carver, and Recording Secretary Lori Coleman.

Visitors: see attachment.

Public Comment / Hearing of Visitors

Scott Rousell of 3 Prickly Pear Drive mentioned the issue discussed last month concerning the fire police spending a large amount of time covering for traffic control incidents. Mr. Rousell referenced Title 75 Section 6123 of the Vehicle Code that could assist the fire police when providing traffic control. The section notes when a contractor or utility is working, they are required to set up traffic control devices to safely control all traffic. Mr. Rousell added a fine can be issued to the utility up to \$1000 per day for not controlling the situation. It would give the fire police an avenue to approach their concern. Mr. Rousell added any law enforcement officer can enforce the law. If the township issues the fine, Mr. Rousell noted half the fine could be awarded to the township or borough. The funds could possibly be used for public safety such as the fire department, police department or road crew. Mr. Rousell did forward the information to Interim Police Chief Gary Carver.

Karl Smith of 1554 Newville Road noted West Pennsboro was going through a rezoning and part of a property lies in North Middleton. He was present this evening to observe.

Consent Agenda

- a. Meeting Minutes: 06/30/16 Workshop Meeting; 07/07/16 Action Meeting; 07/28/16 workshop meeting; 07/28/16 Jerry's Towing Conditional Use Hearing**
- b. Payment of the bills: 07/11/16; 07/25/16; 07/26/16; 08/01/16**
- c. Tax Collector Reports: 2016 Report 14-16; June Summary**
- d. 2016-06 – Setting the payroll deduction rate at 3% for uniform pension**
- e. Safety Policy Update**

Supervisor McDowell moved to approve the consent agenda items a through e, and Supervisor Smith seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Business of Township Officials

Township Manager

- a. July Report**

Supervisor Hare presented the July report to the board.
- b. Financial Report**

Ms. Ealer presented the financial report to the board.
- c. Green Light Go Update**

Ms. Ealer received an email from PennDOT indicating they had changed the parameters of the Green Light Go match. She was seeking direction from the board to either

withdraw the application so the township could reapply or proceed forward with the current application. The new parameters have a 20% match which means additional funds are being provided. Supervisor Reisinger and Supervisor Hare supported withdrawing the application and then reapply. The current application is a 50% match whereas the new parameters are a 20% match. Ms. Ealer noted the light was identified as having some severe problems, and it would push back the upgrades two years. Supervisor Reisinger indicated PennDOT would be able to complete some road improvements with the new program. He felt the township could work with PennDOT to get the improvements and potentially a left turn lane. Supervisor Hare did place a call to his PennDOT contact but did not receive a response. As a consideration, Solicitor Allshouse said if a problem occurs with the light at the intersection, then the township will have no grant funds available to fix the problem. He felt the board had a responsibility to review the deficiencies related to the traffic control lighting. Supervisor Smith mentioned the structural problems mentioned in the recent annual inspection. Supervisor Kelso and Supervisor Smith supported proceeding forward with the grant application. Ms. Ealer added PennDOT was seeking a decision by August 19th on whether or not the township was moving forward with the grant application. Supervisor Kelso asked Ms. Ealer to contact PennDOT to determine if the next grant match application was going to take two years or would it be awarded sooner. Ms. Ealer did make a call to PennDOT, but did not receive a call back. Supervisor Reisinger said he did not recall reviewing information that there was an eminent structural deficiency from the recent inspection. Ms. Ealer retrieved the inspection report for the board. After reviewing the report, Supervisor Reisinger felt the information from the report did not indicate that it needed to be fixed at this time. He suggested the items mentioned in the report be checked. Supervisor Hare suggested Ms. Ealer place a call to PennDOT to verify the time span. Supervisor Reisinger recommended Ms. Ealer contact the company that completed the inspection and request a cost estimate for the deficiencies as listed. The board would then decide on how to proceed.

Police Chief**a. July Report**

Interim Police Chief Carver presented the report to the board.

Solicitor's Report: Mark Allshouse**a. July Report**

Solicitor Allshouse presented his report to the board.

Supervisors**a. MS4**

Supervisor Reisinger and Ms. Ealer have a meeting next week with a representative of the Chesapeake Bay to discuss the pollution reduction plan. The county meeting is slated for late August or early September in which a discussion will occur on the option of having PennDOT complete the loading portion and maintaining the BMP's reduction. Supervisor Kelso asked if the township would have to hire staff for the MS4. Supervisor Reisinger felt additional staff would not be required for the first 5 year permit cycle.

New Business

No items were reviewed.

Old Business

No items were discussed.

Executive Session

Supervisor Hare noted an executive session would be held following the meeting to discuss a personnel matter. No vote would be taken.

Adjournment

Supervisor McDowell moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:30 p.m. and Supervisor Kelso seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah Ealer
Township Secretary

Lori Coleman
Recording Secretary