

MINUTES
Cecil Township Board of Supervisors Meeting
Monday, February 7th, 2011
7:00 P.M.

Call to Order:

The February 7th, 2011 Board of Supervisors Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm.

Members in attendance included:

- Supervisor Michael Debbis
- Supervisor Thomas Casciola
- Supervisor Kevin Camerson
- Supervisor Andrew Schrader
- Supervisor Frank Ludwin

In addition:

- Donald A. Gennuso, Township Manager
- Bruce Bosle, Zoning Officer
- Dan Deiseroth of The Gateway Engineers
- Attorney John Smith
- 49 Township Residents
- Police Chief John Pushak was noted as absent

Township Reports:

- Township Manager:
 - Mr. Gennuso provided the Board with information packets
 - Annual Report from Southbridge Ambulance—885 dispatches, with an average response time of 8.7 minutes
 - Received a request from a resident on Majestic Drive to block off the emergency access road between the phases of Pristine Fields
 - The Muse Fire Department is against closing the road
 - Requested suggestions from the Board
 - Supervisor Debbis inquired if a sign could be posted indicating the road is to be used for emergency vehicles only, and Supervisor Schrader encouraged the residents of Majestic Drive to seek the license plate numbers of any individual using the access road
 - Received petitions from sixty-two households in the Alto Piano subdivision requesting a closure of the road connecting McEwen and Breezewood Drive to all traffic, excepting emergency vehicles
 - The petition cites safety concerns as the primary reason for the closure
 - Mr. Smith discussed his previous communications with the residents of Alto Piano regarding the petition, and detailed the need for a public hearing to legally address their concerns
- Building/Zoning
 - Mr. Bosle recapped his previously submitted report

- The Planning Commission did not meet in January due to a lack of business, but they will meet in February with two items on the agenda
- Noted the influx of building permits for January were construction projects attempting to receive approval before 2011 to avoid the State mandated sprinkler requirement for new construction

- Public Works
 - Mr. Gennuso reported on the township's total salt usage
 - Presented the Board a slideshow detailing snow removal procedures and suggested improvements for the process and property damage
 - Supervisor Camerson inquired of the repair work on Mawhinney Bridge, and Mr. Gennuso stated he would address the county

- Engineer's Report
 - Engineer Deiseroth recapped his previously submitted report
 - Discussed the activity within the Mission Hills, Timber Run, and Heirendt developments
 - Noted the Washington County Authority would be receiving bids for the Southpointe II paving project on February 16th
 - The Overlook Development will be applying for a grading permit shortly
 - The Board discussed the potential changes to their Developer's Agreement and the accompanying road work
 - Provided the Board with a summary of the recent activity on Birch Way and a listing of what has yet to be completed
 - Investigated the storm sewer and noted a portion was not in compliance with the specifications of the project
 - The contractor was advised the section will be replaced and repaired in full
 - Requested the Board provide direction on any changes to the contract
 - Supervisor Schrader inquired of future work dates, and Mr. Deiseroth addressed his questions
 - Supervisor Ludwin commented on the temporary curb in cul-de-sac in the Timber Run phase 2, and Mr. Deiseroth explained the section would be reconstructed
 - Mr. Deiseroth noted Mr. Sites would address the Board regarding the Birch Way construction project

- Solicitor's Report
 - Solicitor Smith recapped his previously submitted report:
 - Range Resources will be speaking regarding the Gas and Oil Drilling Ordinance
 - The Public Hearing was continued and will be held at 5:30 on March 7th, 2011
 - Recorded the deed for the Klinger Park Property
 - Recorded the deed of dedication for Windance Drive, the dedication for the William Street cul-de-sac is an agenda item

- Spoke with Range Resources regarding gas leasing under the roads in Southpointe, advised the Board to vote to authorize bid requests for any company willing to drill throughout the township
- Tax appeals for three properties in Fairway Landings
- A short public hearing will be required to amend an ordinance stating Pennsylvania will pay any Killed-in-Service benefits in full
- Greater Canonsburg Library Report
 - Andrea Raymer
 - The Library Board was given the keys to the new building on January 28th
 - Grand opening will depend on when the furniture, shelving, and computers are installed
 - Detailed the rooms and events offered at the library
- Fire Departments' Reports
 - Toni Zombeck, Muse VFD #2:
 - Recapped the department's calls-to-date: 36 calls
 - The Valentine's Day Dance will be held on February 12th from 8:30 PM-1:30 AM
 - The hall's ceiling is redone, but the floor has yet to be repaired
 - Dennis Berty, Chief of the Cecil VFD #3:
 - Recapped their calls-to-date: 16 calls
 - Commented on their continuing issues with false fire alarms
 - Attended a first responders meeting with CNX Gas in Waynesburg with Chief Zombeck
- Parks And Recreation
 - Supervisor Schrader detailed the items discussed during the February 1st meeting
 - Three events this year: Easter Egg Hunt, Car Show, and Fall Festival
 - Easter Egg Hunt will be April 16th, rain date April 17th

Presentation

- Kenneth Komoroski, representing Range Resources, offered a presentation to the board regarding the proposed Conditional Use amendment to the Gas and Oil Drilling Ordinance
 - Their position recommended retaining the ordinance as a permanent use due to the complications and delays created by a conditional use ordinance
 - Mr. Komoroski addressed questions from the audience and Board regarding the drilling processes and the proposed ordinance
 - Mr. Komoroski list of model ordinance provisions was submitted as a part of the minutes
- Engineer's Report
 - Mr. Sites detailed the Birch Way Project
 - Met with the contractor on January 6th for verification on the planned specifications

- Work is in progress to bring the various construction materials and methods up to the plan's specifications
- Presented the Board with the cost of the removal of timber and installation of the concrete lagging wall behind 18/20 Birch Way and addressed the Supervisors' questions regarding specific construction methods

Resolutions

42-2011: Authorize the change order for Birch Way to include concrete lagging for 18-24 Birch Way

- Supervisor Camerson noted the cost of construction would be deducted from budget line item 439.610 (Road Construction)

Motioned by: Mr. Camerson **Seconded by:** Mr. Casciola

Voted Yes: Mr. Debbis, Mr. Casciola, Mr. Camerson, Mr. Schrader, Mr. Ludwin

Voted No: None

29-2011: Accept the minutes of the Monday, January 3rd, 2011 Board of Supervisors' Re-Organization Meeting and the January 3rd, 2011 Board of Supervisors' Regular Monthly Meeting

APPROVED

30-2011: Approve the General Fund invoices from January 1st to 31st, 2011.

Motioned by: Mr. Camerson **Seconded by:** Mr. Ludwin

Voted Yes: Mr. Debbis, Mr. Casciola, Mr. Camerson, Mr. Schrader, Mr. Ludwin

Voted No: None

31-2011: Approve the reappointment of Andrea Raymer as Cecil Township's Representative to the Greater Canonsburg Library Association for a 3-year term to expire December 31, 2013

- This is a housekeeping item which was omitted from the January 3, 2011 Re-Organization Agenda

Motioned by: Mr. Camerson **Seconded by:** Mr. Schrader

Voted Yes: Mr. Debbis, Mr. Casciola, Mr. Camerson, Mr. Schrader, Mr. Ludwin

Voted No: None

32-2011: Appoint Lisa Black as the seventh board member to the Cecil Township Parks and Recreation Board

Motioned by: Mr. Schrader **Seconded by:** Mr. Ludwin

Voted Yes: Mr. Debbis, Mr. Casciola, Mr. Camerson, Mr. Schrader, Mr. Ludwin

Voted No: None

33-2011: Authorize the Township Solicitor to solicit request for proposals for non-surface leases of any township properties

Motioned by: Mr. Schrader

Seconded by: Mr. Ludwin

Voted Yes: Mr. Debbis, Mr. Casciola, Mr. Camerson, Mr. Schrader, Mr. Ludwin

Voted No: None

34-2011: Consider the petition of Alto Piano Residents requesting to close Network Drive at McEwen Avenue to all vehicular traffic with the exception of emergency vehicles

- The Board directed Mr. Smith to research the petition and contact the Board with the correct process to address the issue

NO ACTION

35-2011: Enter into Memorandum of Understanding with the Montour Trail Council to allow directional signs and parking for trail visitors on township property

- Supervisor Schrader stated the Montour Trail Council requested to place signage on township property to increase awareness of the access point to the Montour Trail

Motioned by: Mr. Schrader

Seconded by: Mr. Camerson

Voted Yes: Mr. Debbis, Mr. Casciola, Mr. Camerson, Mr. Schrader

Voted No: None

Abstained: Mr. Ludwin

36-2011: Re-approve the Maple Ridge Plan No. 4 Subdivision and associated Construction Plan for Phase 4 of the Maple Ridge Development along Maple Ridge Drive in the R-2 Zoning District

- The Plan proposes the re-subdivision of Lot A-1 in the Maple Ridge Plan No. 3 into two townhouse lots and one open area
- This Plan was previously approved by the Planning Commission and the Board of Supervisors but was not recorded within the ninety (90) days

Motioned by: Mr. Camerson

Seconded by: Mr. Casciola

Voted Yes: Mr. Debbis, Mr. Casciola, Mr. Camerson, Mr. Schrader, Mr. Ludwin

Voted No: None

37-2011: Approve Current Estimate No. 2 and Final for work completed to date by Shields Asphalt Paving in the amount of \$8,474.75 for the 2010 Pavement Maintenance Program Contract A

- Mr. Deiseroth noted the final cost of the contract to be \$169,494.98

Motioned by: Mr. Casciola

Seconded by: Mr. Ludwin

Voted Yes: Mr. Debbis, Mr. Casciola, Mr. Camerson, Mr. Schrader, Mr. Ludwin

Voted No: None

38-2011: Approve Current Estimate No. 2 and Final for work completed to date by Shields Asphalt Paving in the amount of \$12,123.09 for the 2010 Pavement Maintenance Program Contract B

- Mr. Deiseroth noted the final cost of the contract to be \$242,461.66

Motioned by: Mr. Casciola **Seconded by:** Mr. Ludwin
Voted Yes: Mr. Debbis, Mr. Casciola, Mr. Camerson, Mr. Schrader, Mr. Ludwin
Voted No: None

39-2011: Accept the public improvements for the William Street Circle Subdivision No. 1 as recommended by the Township Engineer and also authorize the Solicitor to prepare and record the Deed of Dedication

Motioned by: Mr. Camerson **Seconded by:** Mr. Schrader
Voted Yes: Mr. Debbis, Mr. Camerson, Mr. Schrader, Mr. Ludwin
Voted No: None
Abstained: Mr. Casciola

40-2011: Re-approve the Heirendt Plans of Lots Re-Subdivision

- The Plan is located along Muse-Bishop Road and McConnell Road in the R-2 Medium Density Residential Zoning District
- The Plan was previously submitted and includes the subdivision of one 4.875 acre lot into eight lots of varying sizes
- Four of the lots will front on Heirendt Lane, a private drive, with Lot 2 being a non-buildable lot
- The revision to the Plan amply adds an easement granted by the Montour Trail Council to Mr. Heirendt on their property for shifting his private drive further south into the curve to satisfy PennDOT's comments related to the driveway location
- This Plan was previously approved by the Cecil Township Planning Commission and Board of Supervisors, but was not recorded within the ninety (90) days

Motioned by: Mr. Camerson **Seconded by:** Mr. Schrader
Voted Yes: Mr. Debbis, Mr. Casciola, Mr. Camerson, Mr. Schrader
Voted No: None
Abstained: Mr. Ludwin

41-2011: Approve the proposed Stipulation to resolve three tax appeals that have been filed against the Washington County Board of Assessment Appeals and authorize the Township Solicitor to sign the proposed Stipulation as an authorized representative of Cecil Township in this matter

- Mr. Smith addressed the Board's questions regarding the matter

Motioned by: Mr. Casciola **Seconded by:** Mr. Schrader
Voted Yes: Mr. Debbis, Mr. Casciola, Mr. Camerson, Mr. Schrader, Mr. Ludwin
Voted No: None

43-2011: Set a Public Hearing for 6:50 PM on March 7th, 2011 to discuss amending the police contract regarding killed-in-service benefits

APPROVED

44-2011: Authorize the Township Solicitor permission to prepare and present a written license agreement to Mr. Teyssier

Motioned by: Mr. Casciola **Seconded by:** Mr. Camerson

Voted Yes: Mr. Debbis, Mr. Casciola, Mr. Camerson, Mr. Schrader, Mr. Ludwin

Voted No: None

45-2011: Authorize the attendance of five (5) personnel from Public Works and Supervisor Ludwin for a Paving Training Program for Thursday, February 10th at a cost of \$30/person

- The board discussed the potential for joining a co-op paving program

Motioned by: Mr. Casciola **Seconded by:** Mr. Camerson

Voted Yes: Mr. Debbis, Mr. Casciola, Mr. Camerson, Mr. Schrader, Mr. Ludwin

Voted No: None

46-2011: Authorize the attendance of Supervisor Schrader to attend the PSATS Program Seminar Training on March 19th, 2011 to be held in the Cecil Township Municipal Building at a cost of \$115

Motioned by: Mr. Casciola **Seconded by:** Mr. Camerson

Voted Yes: Mr. Debbis, Mr. Casciola, Mr. Camerson, Mr. Schrader, Mr. Ludwin

Voted No: None

Old Business:

- Supervisor Camerson inquired of the 2010 audit
 - Mr. Gennuso noted a preliminary audit has begun
- Supervisor Debbis directed Supervisor Ludwin, Mr. Gennuso, and Mr. Deiseroth to survey the township roads and assign a numerical system to serve as an indication of the condition of the roads for future paving considerations
- Supervisor Debbis directed Mr. Gennuso to create a job description for the assistant manager position

Citizens' Comments:

- Kurt Blanock, 16 Jupiter Drive
 - Spoke in favor of establishing a motorcycle and ATV ordinance
 - Supervisor Debbis directed Mr. Bosle to search for additional ordinances from other neighboring townships regarding ATV usage
 - Supervisor Casciola discussed the existing noise ordinance

Adjournment:

- With no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned by Chairman Debbis at 9:30 PM.