

**DINGMAN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
SEPTEMBER 6, 2011 MEETING
AGENDA**

**THERE WILL BE AN EXECUTIVE SESSION FOLLOWING THE
PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD TO DISCUSS CURRENT LITIGATION**

1. CALL TO ORDER - Pledge of Allegiance
2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: August 16, 2011 Meeting - TABLE
3. OLD BUSINESS
 - a) Reminders: Next Board Meeting & Cleanup Day dates
 - b) Other
4. NEW BUSINESS
 - a) Balton Fire Loss Escrow – Partial Release
 - b) Mattos Fire Loss Escrow – Partial Release
 - c) NEPA “Green Seeking” Seminar attendance approval
 - d) Other
5. EMERGENCY SERVICES REPORTS
6. CORRESPONDENCE
 - a) Mike Mrozinski, Pike County Community Planning
 - b) Zoning Hearing Board Findings of Fact
 - c) Miscellaneous Correspondence
7. ROADMASTER REPORT – August 8 to September 4, 2011
8. SEWAGE/ZONING ENFORCEMENT OFFICER REPORT
9. TREASURER REPORT
 - a) Payment of Bills: \$ 101,502.59 General Fund
\$ 120,295.00 Park & Rec Fund
 - b) General Fund Balance: \$ 645,935.00
10. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD
11. EXECUTIVE SESSION
12. ADJOURNMENT

ATTENDANCE: Dennis L. Brink, Vice Chairman, Kerry W. Welsh, Supervisor, Bonnie Mullins, Secretary, John H. Klemeyer, Solicitor, Chris Wood, Sewage/Zoning Enforcement Officer, William Mikulak, EMA Coordinator and members of the public and press.

Let the records reflect that Chairman Thomas E. Mincer was not present.

CALL TO ORDER: Vice Chairman Brink called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m., opening with the Pledge of Allegiance. He announced that there would be an Executive Session following the public comment portion of the meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: MOTION made by Dennis Brink, seconded by Kerry Welsh to table the minutes until the next September meeting.

OLD BUSINESS: MOTION made by Kerry Welsh, seconded by Dennis Brink to reschedule the September 20, 2011 meeting to September 27, 2011 at 7:30 p.m. due to a schedule conflict. Notification was duly advertised in the Pike County Dispatch. Reminders – Next Board Meeting and Clean Up Day

Supervisor Brink announced that fall clean up day is scheduled for Saturday, September 24, 2011 from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. for general clean up with no household waste permitted.

OLD BUSINESS There was no other old business to report. Other Old Business

NEW BUSINESS: Supervisor Brink stated that the demolition work was complete on the Balton fire loss and a partial release has been requested. We have received the disposal certificates and a Certificate of Completion has been issued. At this time Supervisors Brink noted a small conflict as he submitted an estimate to the work, however, he did not do the work. Attorney Klemeyer stated that this did not create a conflict so he could not vote. MOTION made by Kerry Welsh, seconded by Dennis Brink to release the partial escrow in the amount of \$12, 424.20. Balton Fire Loss Escrow

NEW BUSINESS: Supervisor Brink stated that the demolition work was complete on the Mattos fire loss and a partial release has been requested. We have received the disposal certificates and a Certificate of Completion has been issued. MOTION made by Kerry Welsh, seconded by Dennis Brink to release the partial escrow in the amount of \$12, 444.00 and the Township to retain \$10,128.00 for restoration of property. Mattos Fire Loss Escrow

NEW BUSINESS: MOTION made by Dennis Brink, seconded by Kerry Welsh for Karen Kleist, Secretary/Treasurer to attend the Green Seeking seminar on October 5, 2011. NEPA "Green Seeking" Seminar The seminar is for energy efficient projects for non-profit organizations to include lighting. This would be in conjunction with the Parks and Recreation possibly looking into solar lighting and the possibility of state grants do so.

NEW BUSINESS: There was no other new business to report. Other New Business:

EMERGENCY SERVICES At this time, Supervisor Brink thanked Bill Mikulak for all the assistance that was

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extended during hurricane Irene.

EMERGENCY SERVICES REPORT continued

Bill Mikulak submitted his report on hurricane Irene. Mr. Mikulak stated that hurricane Irene hit the Dingman area early Sunday morning and residents were already calling in for basement flooding. Shortly afterward power was lost to about 90% of the Township, as well as the county. The fire station was handling flooding, downed trees and power lines. The fire station was open to the public for water and ice and hot showers. Communities were notified. Approximately 5000 lbs of ice and 180 cases of water were delivered by Met Ed and extended to the residents as well as surrounding EMA directors. They responded to approximately 70 incidents of flooding basements, downed trees and power lines. Mr. Mikulak stated that the fire report will be available at the next meeting and reminded that there was a breakfast scheduled for September 11, 2011.

Issues resulting from hurricane Irene were discussed. Supervisor Brink stated that the volunteers really came through for the municipalities opening their doors and providing a general calmness to the residents with all that was happening. He further noted that it took several days to find out any information from Met Ed and it was very disappointing not to see any Met Ed trucks initially during the ordeal. He further stated that there was not enough manpower locally and crews came from other states to this area to help in the restoration of power. Mr. Brink noted that potable water was made available to the public by the Milford Water Authority. It was also noted that communication during the storm became a problem due to many people who have either switched to the cable phone system or given up their landline phones for cell phones and noting that cell service was also very spotty. Mr. Mikulak felt one of the major issues was communication which the county task force is working on. The issues of reverse 911 system and a public address system through the radio were discussed. He advised the press that the public can contact 911 to make it known that they are available and will provide hot showers, ice and water.

CORRESPONDENCE: Mike Mrozinski, Pike County Planning

The Board reviewed a Pike County Map/Brochure "Pike County Planning for the Future". The maps are available at the Administration Building and the Pike County Planning Offices located on Route 6.

CORRESPONDENCE: Lake Adventure Substantive Appeal Findings of Fact

Attorney Klemeyer stated the Zoning Hearing Board denied the applicant's Appeal and he was pleased from the opinion produced by Attorney Jacobs and signed by the Zoning Hearing Board they fully understood the issues involved in the matter and understood why the Board took the position they did. He gave credit to Chris Wood and Dick McGoey who presented testimony in the matter that fully explained the Township's position. He further stated that Lake Adventure had witnesses that testified to matters that were not of concern and there was very little in the way of testimony regarding issues for the basic reasons why Dingman Township took the position they did.

MISCELLANEOUS CORRESPONDENCE

The Board reviewed miscellaneous correspondence. No comment was noted.

ROADMASTER REPORT August 8 to September 4, 2011

The Roadmaster presented his report for the period of August 8, 2011 to September 4, 2011. At this time the Roadmaster thanked Matt Adames and the Milford Fire Department for their assistance with the clean up of a downed tree on

Christian Hill Road on August 28, 2011. Motion was made by Kerry Welsh, seconded by Dennis Brink to approve the August 8 to September 4, 2011 Roadmaster Report as submitted.

SEWAGE/ZONING ENFORCEMENT OFFICER REPORT

Chris Wood reported the Zoning Hearing Board rendered a denial on the Lake Adventure Substantive Challenge on August 17, 2011, the JoJo Oil hearing was continued to September 13, 2011 at the Firehouse at 8:00 p.m., and the Green/Disla hearing and Lake Adventure Appeal of Denial of Lot 9 both scheduled for August 31, 2011 were continued to a date unspecified due to hurricane Irene.

Mr. Wood received the July 2011 sewage discharge report and noted there was 1 day the effluent discharge exceeded 160,000 gpd. He also noted that DEP and the Township were notified by Lake Adventure on August 18, 2011 due to wet weather, use of spray irrigation field was suspended and stream discharge activated.

Mr. Wood advised he looked into the possibility of the Township's recycling of light bulbs and will provide a report for the next meeting.

Mr. Wood discussed property located at 134 Buck Run Drive in Sunrise Lake owned by Ann Yotter with regard to a sewage malfunction and a well isolation distance reduction. He stated that the malfunction can only be corrected by a new sewage system which would be placed less than 100' from the well and because of being less than 100', this has to go through the state procedures. The Township Engineer has already reviewed the initial well isolation distance report, but has requested additional information that was received just prior to this meeting. At this time, Mr. Wood requested that the Board approve the well distance reduction based on the Township Engineer's review and acceptance of the addendum to the report provided by Pennoni Associates. Mr. Wood also stated that the house is vacant awaiting the sewage repair. MOTION made by Dennis Brink, seconded by Kerry Welsh to approve the well isolation distance reduction and to move ahead in the repair process based on the Township Engineer's review and acceptance of the well isolation distance revised calculations from Tony Sauder of Pennoni Associates.

TREASURER'S REPORT

MOTION was made by Kerry Welsh, seconded by Dennis Brink to approve the Treasurer's Report for the period of August 17, 2011 through September 6, 2011, the Bill Payment List, Parks and Recreation Fund Payment and General Fund Balance and to sign the checks following the meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board recessed to Executive Session at this time.

ADJOURNMENT:

Upon reconvening the meeting as there being no further business MOTION was made by Kerry Welsh, second by Dennis Brink to adjourn the September 6, 2011 meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Bonnie Mullins
Secretary