

DINGMAN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AUGUST 5, 2014 MEETING
AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER - Pledge of Allegiance
2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: July 15, 2014 Meeting
3. OLD BUSINESS
 - a) Bridge Preserve - Bid Award
 - b) Other
4. NEW BUSINESS
 - a) Parks & Recreation Commission
 - b) Planning Commission SALDO Recommendations
 - c) Proposed Clean Water Act rule
 - d) Other
5. CORRESPONDENCE
 - a) Pike County Tax Administration - Judicial sale exonerations
 - b) Andrew Seder, Office of Senator Baker
 - c) John Donahue, NPS Superintendent
 - d) Miscellaneous Correspondence
6. SUBDIVISIONS / LAND DEVELOPMENTS
 - a) Pike County Generator - Final Land Development
 - b) Muir House Preliminary Land Development
7. EMERGENCY SERVICES REPORTS
8. ROADMASTER REPORT
9. SEWAGE/ZONING ENFORCEMENT OFFICER REPORT
10. TREASURER REPORT
 - a) Payment of Bills: \$ 26,909.27 General Fund
\$ 1,935.40 Park & Rec Fund
 - b) General Fund Balance: \$ 895,286.52
11. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD
12. ADJOURNMENT

- ATTENDANCE:** Thomas E. Mincer, Chairman; Dennis L. Brink, Vice Chairman; Kerry W. Welsh, Supervisor; Karen Kleist, Secretary/Treasurer; John H. Klemeyer, Solicitor; Chris Wood, Sewage/Zoning Enforcement Officer; Jim Snyder, Roadmaster; Bill Mikulak, EMA Coordinator; and members of the public and press.
- ITEM NO. 1: CALL TO ORDER** Chairman Mincer called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm opening with the Pledge of Allegiance.
- ITEM NO. 2: APPROVAL OF MINUTES** MOTION was made by Kerry Welsh, seconded by Thomas Mincer, and carried to approve the July 15, 2014 Minutes as presented. Supervisor Brink abstained as he was not at the last meeting.
- ITEM NO. 3: OLD BUSINESS**
A) Bridge Preserve Bid Award Bids were received and opened on July 28, 2014 as advertised. Three bids were received: Stracka Construction \$450,568.15; Leeward Construction \$562,894.50; and Ciccone Construction \$586,961.60. The Bids were reviewed in-depth by McLane Associates, who recommends awarding the bid to Stracka Construction as the low bidder. Solicitor Klemeyer reviewed the Bid Bonds and found all in order. MOTION was made by Thomas Mincer, seconded by Dennis Brink, and unanimously carried to award the Bridge Preserve Base Bid to Stracka Construction and to table a decision on awards of the Add/Alt bid items until the next meeting.
- ITEM NO. 3(B):**
Other Old Business Karen Kleist noted that Met-Ed is requesting a rate increase of approximately 17.8%. This follows the significant increase Pike County Light and Power recently got. Discussion regarding the frequent power outages (most for no apparent reason) PCLP has had over the past couple months ensued. The Board asked the Secretary to send a letter about the apparent deficiencies that are continuing following the rate increase put in earlier this year.
- ITEM NO. 4: NEW BUSINESS**
A) Parks & Recreation Commission The Board was in receipt of four items:
1. Karen stated that she received a quote from Voltron to connect the existing underground wire to the electrical panel in the Concession building, add a twist lock plug at the other end by the baseball fields and supply a portable power pedestal so that power would be available for the fall festival (and any other future events). Quote is for \$1,285.00. The Board approved having the work done.
 2. The Commission has requested permission to activate the Facebook Page Amy Greiner set up for them. Since the page will not be monitored continuously, it does not allow comments to be posted, but emails can be sent to the Township. Township staff (secretary to the Commission) would maintain the site. The Board stated that a release agreement is needed where Ms. Greiner would relinquish all rights/claims to the page.
 3. The Commission would like to place scarecrows holding posters promoting the festival in several locations in the Township (with permission). Karen was directed to find out the cost to the Township first.
 4. Dingman-Delaware Little League approached the Commission to ask if Field #2 could be modified to allow for longer base lines by removing 2-3 feet of turf and replacing it with clay. After checking with Tom McLane, the Commission supports the "50-70 Conversion". The Board would like more information such as, details on how it would be done, who will be doing the work and if they have experience.
- ITEM NO. 4(B):**
Planning Commission - SALDO Recommendations The Board was in receipt of a Memo requesting consideration of three items:
1. A note be placed on the drawing that Restrictive Covenants are being recorded with the map and requiring proof of recording to Township within 30 days.
 2. A note on the drawing that approval of the plans by Township does not guarantee all necessary outside agency (county, state, federal) approvals have been obtained.
 3. Extensions of time - Requesting policy be changed to grant open-ended time extensions to

avoid the risk of deemed approvals. The Township would have the option of reinstating a time limit or requiring completion by a certain date (with notice).

Following discussion, the Board approved drafting an Amendment to incorporate Items 1 & 2, and will consider #3.

**ITEM NO. 4(C):
Proposed Clean Water Act Rule**

Karen Kleist informed the Board that there is a proposed change to the US Clean Water Act that would expand the types of waters covered under the Act to include stormwater ditches and retention basins. She suggested contacting our US Representatives with our objections. The Board concurred.

**ITEM NO. 4(D):
Other New Business**

There was no Other New Business at this time.

**ITEM NO. 5: CORRESPONDENCE
A) Pike County Tax Administration
Judicial Sale Exonerations**

The Board was in receipt of a notice that the list of properties attached were exposed to the May 2014 Judicial Sale and the 2014 taxes need to be exonerated. There were 62 properties at a total of \$1,050 in taxes. The Board had no objections.

**ITEM NO. 5(B):
Andrew Seder, Office of Senator Baker**

The Board was in receipt of correspondence from Senator Baker's aid who looked into what is still outstanding according to PaDOT for the emergency access ramp to 184 that had been discussed several years ago. PaDOT is waiting for info from the Fire Department and an Agreement from the Township accepting ownership and maintenance of the access. Chairman Mincer asked the Secretary to facilitate a phone conference with Mr. Seder.

**ITEM NO. 5(C):
John Donahue, NPS Superintendent**

The Board received a letter from Mr. Donahue informing of a briefing for community leaders on Sept. 4, 2014 at 9:00 am to provide an overview of current issues and activities.

**ITEM NO. 5(D):
Miscellaneous Correspondence**

The Board reviewed various Miscellaneous Correspondence and had no comments.

**ITEM NO. 6:
SUBDIVISIONS / LAND DEVELOPMENTS**

- A) Pike County Generator Final Land Development: The Board reviewed the final land development plans and documentation including Engineer's Technical Review comments, letter of adequacy from the County Planning Commission, and recommendation for approval from the Township Planning Commission. MOTION was made by Kerry Welsh, seconded by Dennis Brink, and unanimously carried to approve the Final Land Development plans for Pike County Generator.
- B) Muir House Preliminary Land Development: The Board was in receipt of a request from the applicant's Engineer requesting a 90-day time extension; the Planning Commission recommended approval. MOTION was made by Dennis Brink, seconded by Kerry Welsh, and unanimously carried to approve the requested 90-day time extension, effective from the current expiration date.

**ITEM NO. 7:
EMERGENCY SERVICES REPORTS**

DTVFD Chief Bill Mikulak submitted his report for July. There were 42 Fire and 65 EMS incidents. The Senior Expo will be held at the firehouse on September 4th; they will again be using the Park for satellite parking. Their Beefsteak Dinner fundraiser will be on October 18th.

**ITEM NO. 8:
ROADMASTER REPORT**

MOTION was made by Kerry Welsh, seconded by Dennis Brink, and unanimously carried to approve the July 7-20, 2014 and July 21-August 3, 2014 Roadmaster Reports as submitted and reviewed by Jim Snyder.

**ITEM NO. 9:
SEWAGE / ZONING OFFICER REPORT**

Chris Wood reported that the Governor's Office has set the amending of Chapters 71, 72, & 73 (Sewage Regulations) as a regulatory priority for the next two years.

**ITEM NO. 10:
TREASURER'S REPORT**

MOTION was made by Dennis Brink, seconded by Kerry Welsh, and unanimously carried to approve the August 5, 2014 Treasurer's Report, Bill Payment List and General Fund balance, and to sign the checks following the meeting.

ITEM NO. 11: PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no comments from the public or press.

ITEM NO. 12: ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, MOTION was made by Kerry Welsh, seconded by Dennis Brink, and unanimously carried to adjourn the August 5th meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Kleist, Secretary/Treasurer