

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF OCTOBER 17, 2001

The regular meeting of the Conemaugh Township Board of Supervisors was called to order at 6:00 p.m. on October 17, 2001 by Chairman Robert Rouser. Board members present were Robert Rouser, Chairman, Albert Zuccolotto, Secretary-Treasurer, and Steve Buncich, Vice-Chairman. Solicitor William Barbin was also present.

Pledge to the Flag.

FLOOR OPENED TO PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS:

None.

MINUTES:

The minutes of the regular meeting and special meeting were distributed. There was a motion by Mr. Zuccolotto, seconded by Mr. Buncich, to accept the minutes of the regular meeting of September 19, and the special meeting of September 27, 2001. Roll call vote: Mr. Zuccolotto – yes, Mr. Buncich – yes, and Mr. Rouser – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

BILLS:

There was a motion by Mr. Buncich, seconded by Mr. Zuccolotto, to pay the bills for the month of October 2001 in the amount of \$7,478.34 for the General Fund, \$1,533.87 for the Liquid Fuels Fund, and \$10,386.84 for the Sewer Department. Roll call vote: Mr. Buncich – yes, Mr. Zuccolotto – yes, and Mr. Rouser – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

POLICE REPORT:

The police report submitted by Chief Louis Barclay for the month of September 2001 for Conemaugh Township was read. There was a motion by Mr. Zuccolotto, seconded by Mr. Buncich, to accept the police report for the month of September 2001 for the Township. Roll call vote: Mr. Zuccolotto – yes, Mr. Buncich – yes, and Mr. Rouser – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

PERSONS TO BE HEARD:

None.

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. A letter was received from the Hollsopple Volunteer Fire Company requesting a donation from the Township for their Halloween parade and treat night to be held on Trick-or-Treat night. The Supervisors had little information regarding this event. Mr. Buncich stated that he would ask the Recreation Commission to contact this fire company to gather more information. There was a motion by Mr. Zuccolotto, seconded by Mr. Buncich, to table any donation to the Hollsopple Volunteer Fire Company this year for their Halloween event; and to recommend that if they want to do something like this, they should get together with the other fire companies within the Township to work in unison. Roll call vote: Mr. Zuccolotto – yes, Mr. Buncich – yes, and Mr. Rouser – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

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OLD BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **RESIGNATION OF TOWNSHIP AUDITOR.** A letter of resignation was received from Dr. Richard Slick as Auditor for the Township. Dr. Slick has moved out of the area. There was a motion by Mr. Zuccolotto, seconded by Mr. Buncich, to accept the resignation of Dr. Richard Slick as Auditor for the Township. Roll call vote: Mr. Zuccolotto – yes, Mr. Buncich – yes, and Mr. Rouser – yes. Motion carried unanimously.
2. **APPOINTMENT OF TOWNSHIP AUDITOR.** The Supervisors noted that an individual needed to be appointed to fulfill the unexpired term of Dr. Slick since it was too late to get anyone on the ballot at this time. There was a motion by Mr. Zuccolotto, seconded by Mr. Buncich, to appoint Mr. Dean Glessner to fulfill the unexpired term of Dr. Slick as Township Auditor. Roll call vote: Mr. Zuccolotto – yes, Mr. Buncich – yes, and Mr. Rouser – yes. Motion carried unanimously.
3. **RESIGNATION FROM AG SECURITY COMMITTEE.** Mr. Marvin Thomas is no longer an active farmer and must resign from this committee. There was a motion by Mr. Zuccolotto, seconded by Mr. Buncich, to accept the resignation of Mr. Marvin Thomas from the Agriculture Security Area Advisory Committee as an Active Farmer. Roll call vote: Mr. Zuccolotto – yes, Mr. Buncich – yes, and Mr. Rouser – yes. Motion carried unanimously.
4. **APPOINTMENT TO AG SECURITY COMMITTEE.** Solicitor Barbin had given the name of Mr. Calvin P. Hostetler for appointment to the committee. There was a motion by Mr. Zuccolotto, seconded by Mr. Buncich, to appoint Mr. Calvin P. Hostetler to fulfill the unexpired term of Mr. Thomas as an Active Farmer member on the Agricultural Security Area Advisory Committee. Roll call vote: Mr. Zuccolotto – yes, Mr. Buncich – yes, and Mr. Rouser – yes. Motion carried unanimously.
5. **RESIGNATION FROM RECREATION COMMISSION.** A letter of resignation was received from Ms. Leda Hunt. There was a motion by Mr. Zuccolotto, seconded by Mr. Buncich, to accept to resignation of Ms. Leda Hunt from the Conemaugh Township Recreation Commission. Roll call vote: Mr. Zuccolotto – yes, Mr. Buncich – yes, and Mr. Rouser – yes. Motion carried unanimously.
6. **APPOINTMENT TO RECREATION COMMISSION.** A letter was sent to the Supervisors from Mr. Shawn Adams indicating his desire to be a member of the Commission. Mr. Adams has been requesting to be placed on the Commission for the past three years. There was a motion by Mr. Zuccolotto, seconded by Mr. Buncich, to appoint Mr. Shawn Adams to fulfill the unexpired term of Ms. Hunt on the Conemaugh Township Recreation Commission. Roll call vote: Mr. Zuccolotto – yes, Mr. Buncich – yes, and Mr. Rouser – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

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7. **AIR SURVEY PROPOSAL.** There was a motion by Mr. Buncich, seconded by Mr. Zuccolotto, to accept the proposal from Air Survey of Dulles, Virginia to provide photogrammetric mapping and related services for the Tire Hill Sewage System Project. Roll call vote: Mr. Buncich – yes, Mr. Zuccolotto – yes, and Mr. Rouser – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

8. **PURCHASE OF NEW TRUCK.** Mr. Zuccolotto stated that the new truck will be purchased under the “Piggy Back” Program, and the Township will pay cash for the truck from the Equipment Fund (Machinery Tax Fund), which can only be used for equipment expenses. There was a motion by Mr. Zuccolotto, seconded by Mr. Buncich, to purchase a new dump truck with plow and spreader on the Piggy Back Program from Woltz & Wind Ford, Inc. Roll call vote: Mr. Zuccolotto – yes, Mr. Buncich – yes, and Mr. Rouser – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

FLOOR OPENED TO PUBLIC COMMENT:

None.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. The next regularly scheduled Township meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 21, 2001 at 6:00 p.m.

2. Chairman Rouser noted that engineers will be laying out stakes for the roads and trails at Greenhouse Park. If the winter is mild, work will continue on the roads, trails, and parking lot.

3. Mr. Zuccolotto stated that there was a rumor going around that the Township borrowed \$350,000 to “bail out” the Sewer Department. Mr. Zuccolotto said that this is not true. The Bank came through with the money for the Tire Hill Sewage Project, and the Township is not obligated in any way. When the Project is approved, Penn Vest will pay the Bank back, including interest. Solicitor Barbin added that the loan is to pay for engineering for this new construction project. It was reiterated that this would not cost the Township or the Sewer Department anything and that it was a terrific deal.

ADJOURNMENT:

There was a motion by Mr. Buncich, seconded by Mr. Zuccolotto, to adjourn the meeting at 6:19 p.m.

Submitted by,

Albert E. Zuccolotto, Secretary/Treasurer