

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF JUNE 19, 2002

The regular meeting of the Conemaugh Township Board of Supervisors was called to order at 6:00 p.m. on June 19, 2002 by Chairman Robert Rouser. Board members present were Robert Rouser, Chairman, Albert Zuccolotto, Secretary-Treasurer, and David Hart, 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 of May 22, 2002 were distributed. There was a motion by Mr. Zuccolotto, seconded by Mr. Hart, to accept the minutes of the regular meeting of May 22, 2002. Roll call vote: Mr. Zuccolotto – yes, Mr. Hart – yes, and Mr. Rouser – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

BILLS:

There was a motion by Mr. Hart, seconded by Mr. Zuccolotto, to pay the bills for the month of June 2002 in the amount of \$7,463.18 for the General Fund, \$1,544.91 for the Liquid Fuels Fund, and \$9,335.28 for the Sewer Department. Roll call vote: Mr. Hart – 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 May 2002 for Conemaugh Township and Benson Borough was read. There was a motion by Mr. Zuccolotto, seconded by Mr. Hart, to accept the police reports for the month of May 2002 for the Township and Benson Borough. Roll call vote: Mr. Zuccolotto – yes, Mr. Hart – yes, and Mr. Rouser – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

PERSONS TO BE HEARD:

1. **Jeff Hay**, President of the Conemaugh Township Little League, wished to address the matter of invoices submitted to the Township for reimbursement by the Little League. These invoices totaled close to \$3,900.00. He stated that the Township had sent a letter to them questioning some of the expenses on the list. Mr. Rouser stated that the Township had not approved some of the expenditures on the list submitted; the Township needs to approve the expenditures to be reimbursed by the Township before hand. Mr. Zuccolotto noted that the agreed to expenditures that were indicated at a meeting with the Little League included the installation of the safety netting and posts, sand, tearing down the tennis courts, and supplying the materials, cleaning and maintenance of the new restrooms. The other items on the list were not approved and were not in the budget to pay. Mr. Zuccolotto stated that the Supervisors should meet with the Little League Board to discuss this matter.

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CORRESPONDENCE:

None.

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **APPROVAL TO PURCHASE NEW CRUISERS:** There was a motion by Mr. Zuccolotto, seconded by Mr. Hart, to approve the lease/purchase of three new 2003 Crown Victoria police cruisers through Ford Motor Credit Company; cruisers to be purchased on the Piggy Back Program from Babe Charapp Ford, Inc. Roll call vote: Mr. Zuccolotto – yes, Mr. Hart – yes, and Mr. Rouser – yes. Motion carried unanimously.
2. **CONFIRMATION & RATIFICATION AGREEMENT – JEROME SEWER PROJECT:** Solicitor Barbin stated that he reviewed this Agreement with Mr. McCauliff and the language and numbers are appropriate. He also noted that Penn Vest has re-amortized the Penn Vest loan payment schedule to show an exact amount regarding the Jerome Sewer Project. The payments have been estimated so far. There was a motion by Mr. Zuccolotto, seconded by Mr. Hart, to approve the PENNVEST Confirmation and Ratification Agreement of Loan Payments for the Jerome Sewer Project. Roll call vote: Mr. Zuccolotto – yes, Mr. Hart – yes, and Mr. Rouser – yes. Motion carried unanimously.
3. **CONEMAUGH TOWNSHIP/JENNER TOWNSHIP BOUNDARY SURVEY:** Solicitor Barbin indicated that this survey was found in the Township records while investigating a fatal vehicle accident claim. The Township sent the survey to Jenner Township for their acceptance, and they had sent a letter back approving this boundary survey. There was a motion by Mr. Zuccolotto, seconded by Mr. Hart, to accept the boundary survey by Neilan Engineers dated November 30, 1949 as the official boundary between Conemaugh Township and Jenner Township, as was approved by Jenner Township Supervisors on June 4, 2002. Roll call vote: Mr. Zuccolotto – yes, Mr. Hart – yes, and Mr. Rouser – yes. Motion carried unanimously.
4. **RESIGNATION OF OFFICER MCKNIGHT:** Mr. Zuccolotto stated it was felt that the reason for Mr. McKnight's resignation was because Mr. McKnight could not meet the scheduling requirements of the Police Department due to his other job. There was a motion by Mr. Hart, seconded by Mr. Zuccolotto, to accept the resignation of part-time police officer John McKnight from the Conemaugh Township Police Department, effective May 28, 2002. Roll call vote: Mr. Hart – yes, Mr. Zuccolotto – yes, and Mr. Rouser – yes. Motion carried unanimously.
5. **MINOR SUBDIVISION:** Solicitor Barbin indicated that this subdivision meets all requirements. There was a motion by Mr. Zuccolotto, seconded by Mr. Hart, to approve a minor subdivision request from Barbara Kay Hostetler, Owner, and John L. & Renee D. Hostetler, Applicants, to create an unimproved 5.69 acre parcel, from a parent parcel of approximately 35.5 acres, for an adjoining land merger with property of John L. & Renee D. Hostetler at 809 Moonlite Park Road, (plan prepared by Dale B. Haynes, P.L.S. 19763-E); this subdivision received favorable response from the Somerset County Planning Commission, and the

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Conemaugh Township Planning Commission recommended approval by the Supervisors. Roll call vote: Mr. Zuccolotto – yes, Mr. Hart – yes, and Mr. Rouser – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

6. **APPOINTMENT TO RECREATION COMMISSION:** It was noted that Jim Marlowe, Chairman of the Recreation Commission, had submitted Ms. Naugle's name to the Supervisors for appointment to the Commission. There was a motion by Mr. Hart, seconded by Mr. Zuccolotto, to appoint Sandy Naugle to the Conemaugh Township Recreation Commission to fill the unexpired term of Harriet Kush; term to expire January 5, 2004. Roll call vote: Mr. Hart – yes, Mr. Zuccolotto – yes, and Mr. Rouser – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

7. **APPROVAL OF FIREWORKS DISPLAY:** There was a motion by Mr. Hart, seconded by Mr. Zuccolotto, to permit Tom Tercek of 3878 Somerset Pike, Johnstown to display fireworks on July 4, 2002 between the hours of 8:00 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. at 324 Glessner Road, Johnstown, contingent upon the Township's receipt of a certificate of insurance in the amount of at least \$1,000,000. Roll call vote: Mr. Hart – yes, Mr. Zuccolotto – yes, and Mr. Rouser – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

FLOOR OPENED TO PUBLIC COMMENT:

Ernest Holsopple of Sugar Maple Road, representing the Ag Security, was in to report that he had received a letter from the Township regarding the John Slobozien cattle crossing problem of manure on the road way. Mr. Holsopple stated that he contacted the Somerset Soil Conservation and the area was inspected. At this time, they feel that the area is in acceptable condition according to their specifications, and they have no further suggestions. It was indicated that Mr. Slobozien needs time to get the area cleaned up, and bad weather conditions also need to be taken into consideration. Mr. Rouser noted that Penn Dot was contacted to clean up the ditch in that area, which was done.

Joe Stevens of Hollsopple wanted to once again discuss the sewer lines and the right-of-way on his property. Solicitor Barbin again informed Mr. Stevens that the Statute of Limitations has expired on this issue. Mr. Stevens also questioned Neilan Engineers involvement in the matter.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Township Supervisors will be held on Wednesday, July 17, 2002 at 6:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT:

There was a motion by Mr. Hart, seconded by Mr. Zuccolotto, to adjourn the meeting at 6:45 p.m.

Submitted by,

Albert E. Zuccolotto, Secretary/Treasurer