

July 18, 2005

The Board of Supervisors of Pennsbury Township held a regular meeting on Monday, July 18, 2005. All members, John Spangler and Kathleen Howley were present and the minutes approved as submitted.

Manager Kathleen Howley reported the following:

Parker Preserve sewage module resolution as approved by the Board and signed by Kathy Howley. This will be sent onto DEP for their review.

Pond's Edge Drive speed study – Dave Allen completed the study and sent the results to Mr. Spangler. He will draft an ordinance so that the road can be posted for speed limit. The HOA will be contacted.

Mr. Spangler is working on the access easement for 6 Joshua Way.

The township met with Mr. Spano at an advertised meeting on 7/12 to discuss his sketch plan for a subdivision of his property. It was agreed to walk the property on 7/19 at 8:30 a.m.

A meeting was held here at the township building on July 14th with St. Senator Pileggi and others regarding the closing of Rt. 1 at the Brandywine River because of flooding or other emergencies. Kathy Howley, Karen Wood and Reese Reynolds attended for Pennsbury. A path forward was identified and George Thorpe of Chadds Ford Township has agreed to chair this group. Kathy Howley will post the designated detour route on our web site and put an article in our next newsletter regarding this situation. It was also agreed that PennDot has the authority to close the road and start the chain or communication to other agencies.

The township moved to enter into an agreement with Castle Valley Consultants to do the first phase of an Act 537 update addressing the HC district in our township. The board will meet with Craig Kologie on 8/3 to start the process. The Board would like correspondence from DEP regarding the permitting of the Ponds Edge sewage plant.

Copy of the Hillhurst HOA document was received and given to John Spangler for his review.

The Chester County Emergency Mgmt Services notified the township that we will be receiving a laptop computer and printer which were funded by the Federal Homeland Security funds.

The township will request that PennDot look at a decal lane on Rt. 1 and Hickory Hill Road for traffic going north and a left hand turn on Rt. 52 at Shadow Lane.

Steve Woodward and his wife were present to discuss a proposed ordinance amendment to allow for a second dwelling on the Woodward Farm located off of Brintons Bridge Road without going through a subdivision. The lot would be staked out according to the zoning but won't have to be formally subdivided. His elderly uncle lives in the main house. This draft will be sent onto the Planning Commission for their comment at their August 8th meeting.

Matt Houtman, engineer, commented on the following:

Chadds Ford Knoll – hope to start the job mid next week.

Brintons Bridge Rd. – keeping pressure on the supplier for the shop drawings which have been delayed.

Ridge at Chadds Ford – walked through on 7/14. Needs to do some shoulder improvement, replace springhouse roof, some cleaning of the basin, have Anne Walters check the landscaping and have legal documents signed for the township open space. Karen Wood will check with the Chadds Ford Historical Society for an interpretative sign because of the historical significance for the Battle of the Brandywine.

Neilson – still trying to set up a meeting with him to go over the riding rink installation.

Melito – Dave Allen will do some work in the fall but determined most of his drainage problems are not

from the roadway.

Lyman – there will be a meeting with Mrs. Ralph, Conservation District and Matt to go over the project in the near future.

Cossart Manor – inspected the road and will put together a letter to the residents as to what needs to be done before we would take it over as a township road. Matt will follow up with Mrs. Cameron. It seems that the road might have had slag in it and that's why it bubbles up.

Wedgewood Drive – erosion problems at end of road is not caused by township drainage. Matt will put this in a letter to the resident.

Pennsbury Mill – sent letter to CWA. Matt needs to comment on the bridge drawings so Mr. Dewson can complete the work. Karen Wood asked for copies of the dredging plans and if the low bidder would still do the job. It was noted that the funds are nonprofit and the job may not have to be bid. Mr. Spangler will check into this.

Bob Crandell asked the Board what the status of the helipad ordinance was – they still need to review this. George Asimos Jr submitted a letter of resignation from the Planning Commission and was accepted by the Board. Mr. Crandell thanked George for all his fine work and service to the township.

John Spangler gave a draft of some language that will be put on subdivision/land development plans for review by the Board. He will then put this into an amendment to the subdivision ordinance and advertise for adoption. The Planning Commission submitted a recommendation list of conditions to be considered for the “use by right” Tim Filler plans before the Zoning Hearing Board. Copies were given to the supervisors. A meeting will take place 7/20 with the applicants, supervisors, attorneys and Steve Bucci and Scotty Scottoline from the Planning Commission.

Jin Sears commented that he has been helping Kathy Howley and the Board with the budget process and would like to proceed with scheduling a meeting to review the first half of the year. He would also like to review capital budget and debt service and hopes to have a new chart of accounts by 1/06. The Board authorized him to talk to an account if necessary.

The Board of Supervisors also thanked Townwatch for the township building signs recently erected at the entrance to the parking lot by the building. These signs were donated by the Townwatch organization and very much appreciated.

A bill list dated July 18th numbering 7303-7378 and State Fund #204 was submitted and approved for payment by the Board. With no further business the meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen Howley
Township Manager