Union Township Board of Supervisors Minutes/ Regular Meeting April 4, 2017

The regular monthly meeting of the Union Township Board of Supervisors was held on April 4, 2017 with all Supervisors present. Attendance sheet is also attached.

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM followed by the pledge to the flag.

Minutes of the previous meeting were called for and approved as read.

A notation was made to the minutes of the March 7, 2017 meeting regarding the Animal Ordinance and warning letter to the residents of 64 Clearfield Drive. After Atty. Lyons later reviewed the most current Animal Ordinance #97-5 repealing Ordinance #96-1 he deemed that the Ordinance pertains only to dogs. Subsequently, a warning letter was not sent to the Helds at 64 Clearfield Drive.

Trish Carothers attended the meeting representing the Susquehanna Greenway Partnership, a non-profit based out of Seda-COG. She presented the Board with a proposal for the West Shore Trail, a bike and pedestrian trail along Rt. 11 that would link Shamokin Dam, Monroe Township, Union Township and Northumberland. She requested a letter of support from the Township as well as \$500.00 in funds that would support the feasibility study for the project. The Board decided to discuss the request and to make a decision at a later time.

The Steve Kline signs were taken down as required by the Penn DOT Highway Beautification Act. The signs will be given to the Kline family.

The Park Road bridge replacement project scheduled for the summer of 2017 was discussed and it was determined that the project will most likely not be complete before school begins.

Some residents have expressed concerns that their homes were cracked as a result of blasting by UGI. The contact information for Casey Monagan was given to them.

A proposal for the creation of an Agricultural Security Area was received from Ivan L. and Wendy J. Yoder for parcel number 012-074-031.00000. The Board agreed that they are in support of any property owner who wishes to participate in an Ag Security Area. Some questions were asked and discussion was held with Atty. Lyons regarding the procedure for the submission of a proposal. After much discussion a motion was made by Nelson Poe, seconded by Billy Allred and carried to have Atty. Lyons proceed with advertisement of the proposal and to then submit the same to the Planning Commission and an Agricultural Security Area Advisory Committee for review. After further discussion and review by Atty. Lyons a motion was made by Nelson Poe, seconded by Billy Allred and carried to rescind the previous motion that was made. Atty. Lyons proposed that a conditional motion be made that would allow an additional parcel to be added to the same advertisement process and Resolution provided that the signed proposal for the additional parcel is received in time to have the advertisement out within the required 15 days from notice to the Board. The conditional property being owned by Benjamin Oberholtzer, parcel number 012-074-031.00001. A motion was made by Billy Allred, seconded by Nelson Poe and carried to advertise the proposal with the additional parcel under the condition stated above. Tom Reitz opposed.

The Board discussed the potential road projects for 2017. The Road Master will schedule a road tour with Penn DOT Municipal Services rep to discuss them further.

Rick Wetzel and Gregg Wagner attended the meeting on behalf of the Fire Company and presented the Board with an incident report and 2016 billing report for responding to accidents. The County 911 merger was also discussed as well as some fund raising ideas.

The Chamber of Commerce requested the use of the Township meeting room for a tentative date of June 1, 2017. There will be two meetings held titled the CSVT Economic Opportunity Academy.

Checks 3466-3493 were presented for payment with bills totaling \$26,621.27. A motion was made by Tom Reitz, seconded by Billy Allred and carried to approve checks as presented.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 PM.

Respectfully Submitted, Wendy Yoder Secretary

 General Fund
 \$109,533.55

 State Fund
 \$89,255.76

 Equipment Fund
 \$85,417.15

 Total
 \$284,206.46