

Cumberland Township Board of Supervisors
September 23, 2014 Meeting Minutes

The regular meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chair Underwood. Present were Supervisors: Underwood, Paddock, Ferranto, Toddes and Waybright; Township Manager Ben Thomas, Jr., Police Chief Don Boehs, Zoning Officer Bill Naugle, and Secretary Carol Merryman. Others present were: Jean Stone, Dale Molina, Pat Abel, Steve Tallman, Speros Marinos, Terry Sheldon, Ken Scott, Jim Delaney and Abbey Zelko from The Gettysburg Times. The meeting was recorded.

Chair Underwood led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chair Underwood reported that the Supervisors held an Executive Session on September 8, 2014 at 2:00 p.m. to discuss a personnel issue.

Mr. Ferranto made a motion to approve the Minutes of the August 7 and 21, 2014 workshops and August 26, 2014 meeting seconded by Mr. Toddes and carried 5 yeas - 0 nays.

Mr. Toddes made a motion to pay the bills, in the amounts of \$268,614.34 from the General Fund, \$8,177.00 from the Escrow Fund, \$322.50 from the Park and Rec Fund and \$926.88 from the Capital Reserve Fund seconded by Mr. Ferranto and carried 5 yeas - 0 nays. General Fund expenditures include a \$200,000.00 transfer to a new General Fund Certificate of Deposit.

Engineer/Plans:

Mr. Thomas presented a request from Rettew, on behalf of their client Summit Partners, LLC, for approval of the re-stamping of the Cambridge Crossings, Phase I, Final Subdivision and Land Development Plan that was conditionally approved by the Board on May 27, 2014. He added that the attorneys have been working out details on the plan. **Mr. Paddock made a motion to approve the re-stamping of the Cambridge Crossings, Phase I, Final Plan seconded by Mr. Waybright and carried 5 yeas – 0 nays.**

Mr. Thomas reported that the next item is very similar request for Oaklawn Memorial Gardens for re-stamping of their Final Subdivision Plan conditionally approved by the Board on June 24, 2014. **Mr. Paddock made a motion to approve the re-stamping of the Oaklawn Memorial Gardens Plan seconded by Mr. Ferranto and carried 5 yeas – 0 nays.**

Mr. Thomas reported that the next item is a Final Subdivision Plan and Non-Building Waiver for Wayne Steinour located on Waterworks Road. The plan proposes a lot addition to the neighboring Fry property and no new improvements are proposed for either lot at this time. **Mr. Waybright made a motion to approve the Non-Building Waiver for the Wayne Steinour Lot Addition Final Plan seconded by Mr. Toddes and carried 5 yeas - 0 nays. Mr. Paddock made a motion seconded by Mr. Ferranto and carried to approve the Final Plan contingent upon the comments in the engineer's September 5, 2014 memo being addressed 5 yeas – 0 nays.**

Mr. Thomas reported that the Shirley Rudisill Final Subdivision Plan, located on Biglerville Road, proposes the subdivision of a 1.18 acre parcel with an existing residence into two lots. He added that the newly created lot will be used for a new building lot, will be served by public water and sewer and there is a Sewage Planning Exemption that needs action to be forwarded to PaDEP for their approval. Cumberland Township Authority has provided a “willingness to serve” letter to go to PaDEP with the Sewage Planning Exemption. **Mr. Waybright made a motion to approve the Sewage Planning Exemption to be forwarded to PaDEP for their approval seconded by Mr. Toddes and carried 5 years - 0 nays. Mr. Toddes made a motion to approve the Shirley Rudisill Final Plan seconded by Mr. Paddock and carried 5 years – 0 nays, contingent upon the comments in the engineer’s September 17, 2014 memo being addressed.**

Public Comment:

Mr. Speros Marinos, 912 Baltimore Pike, reported that they are not selling their property to have it come off of the tax rolls and if that ever happened they would do their best to make sure that the Township is compensated. He also thanked Chair Underwood for doing what is best for the taxpayers in regards to no regionalization of the Police Department and mentioned the 265th Anniversary of the Township and upcoming Open House being held on October 13th. He also asked that the Township’s Zoning be updated.

Police Report:

Police Chief Don Boehs presented a written and oral report of police activities for the month of August including: 364 complaints, 114 traffic stops, 69 combined arrests, 4 traffic accidents, 29 targeted enforcements and 11,250 patrol miles. He added that they assisted other agencies 16 times and they were assisted twice. Police Chief Boehs also reported that there will be a Drug Take-Back this weekend at the Gettysburg Area Rec Park and there is a Drug Take-Back box located in the lobby of the Police Department.

Active Business:

Mr. Thomas reported that the Supervisors need to approve the 2015 Minimum Municipal Obligations (MMO) for the Police and Non-Uniformed Pension Plans for budgeting purposes as follows:

Police Pension Plan MMO in the amount of \$144,969.00

Non-Uniformed Pension Plan MMO in the amount of \$59,813.00

Mr. Thomas reported that the Township does receive funds from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to help support the Pension Plans and in 2014 we are to receive \$102,000.00. **Mr. Ferranto made a motion to approve the 2015 MMO’s in the amounts stated above, seconded by Mr. Toddes and carried 5 – years – 0 nays.**

Solicitor: No report.

Committee Reports and comments from Board Members:

Mr. Toddes reported that the new tractor was delivered for the Gettysburg Area Recreation Authority (GARA) and the lease agreement has been signed.

Mr. Ferranto reported that he attended the Gettysburg Municipal Authority meeting and they briefly discussed the Harvest Investments project. He also reported that they discussed a Shentel cell tower being placed on Cemetery Hill next to their water tower.

Staff Reports:

Mr. Thomas reported the following:

- The lighting upgrade is continuing and we should see significant savings on our electric bill. He added that we will be applying for reimbursement through a Met-Ed grant.
- The building permit has been issued for the Township’s cell tower and a pre-bid meeting was held. The construction should begin sometime in October and there will not be any disturbance to the parking lot during the construction.
- The Adams County Commissioners are hosting a presentation at HACC on Monday evening 9/29 on prescription drug overdoses. The presentation will be made by the District Attorney and Coroner’s offices.
- The Open House for the Township’s 265th Anniversary will be held on October 13th from 3:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. at the Gettysburg Times office and Township Building.

The Zoning Officer and Secretary’s reports were reviewed.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:25 p.m. for an Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter.

The meeting was re-covened at 8:22 p.m.

Mr. Waybright made a motion to approve a Memorandum of Understanding between the Township and Teamsters Local 776 that modifies Article 18, SICK LEAVE, “ACCUMULATION” of the current Collective Bargaining Agreement. The motion was seconded by Mr. Toddes and carried 5 yeas – 0 nays.

Mr. Waybright also made a motion seconded by Mr. Paddock and carried 5 yeas – 0 nays to fill the current vacancy in the Police Department by changing the status of part-time Police Officer Richard Keefer, Jr. to full-time status.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Carol A. Merryman, Secretary

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