

LOWER PAXTON TOWNSHIP  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Minutes of Board Meeting held July 20, 2010

A business meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Lower Paxton Township was called to order at 7:25 p.m. by Chairman William B. Hawk, on the above date in the Lower Paxton Township Municipal Center, 425 Prince Street, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

Supervisors present in addition to Mr. Hawk were: William C. Seeds, Sr., and Gary A. Crissman.

Also in attendance were George Wolfe, Township Manager; Steven Stine, Township Solicitor; and Watson Fisher and Ted Robertson, SWAN.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

Mr. Seeds led in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Approval of Minutes**

Mr. Crissman made a motion to approve the minutes of the July 7, 2010 business meeting. Mr. Seeds seconded the motion, and a unanimous vote followed.

**Public Comment**

No public comment was provided.

**Chairman & Board Members' Comments**

No comments were presented by Board members.

**Proclamation – Henry Ricci and 25 years of the Senior Van Service**

Mr. Hawk read the following proclamation and presented it to Mr. Henry Ricci.

WHEREAS, Henry Ricci has been a resident of Lower Paxton Township since 1924, and since

that time he has served our country in both World War II and the Korean Conflict; and, WHEREAS, Henry Ricci retired from employment with the U.S. Department of Defense in 1969; and, WHEREAS, Henry Ricci was a charter member and has provided more that twenty-five (25) years of dedicated service to the citizens of Lower Paxton Township as a participant in the volunteer Senior Transportation Service; and, WHEREAS, Henry Ricci, at ninety (90) years of age, remains an active volunteer contributor to the Senior Transportation Service; and, WHEREAS, Henry Ricci plans to continue his dedicated volunteer service to Lower Paxton Township as a member of its Senior Transportation Service for many years to come. NOW, THEREFORE, be and it is hereby Proclaimed by the Board of Supervisors of Lower Paxton Township, Dauphin County, Pennsylvania, that the Board does hereby declare its sincere appreciation to Henry Ricci for his many years of dedicated service to our community as a member of its Senior Transportation Service, presented this 20<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2010.

Mr. Hawk noted that Mr. Ricci is an example of remarkable volunteer service to the Township, and the other Board members joined Mr. Hawk in thanking Mr. Ricci for his service to the Township.

Mr. Ricci stated that he wanted to thank everyone present, and in Lower Paxton Township, for the Proclamation noting that he really appreciated it. He noted that it has been a pleasure to be able to serve the older citizens in the Township with the van service. Mr. Hawk again thanked Mr. Ricci for all his work in the Township.

Mr. Crissman explained that the Colonial Park Rotary presented Mr. Ricci with its Colonial Award, last week for his contribution to the community. He thanked Mr. Ricci for his service to the Township.

## **Manager's Report**

Mr. Wolfe noted that Tuesday, August 3, 2010, Lower Paxton Township will celebrate National Night Out at the Thomas B. George Jr. Park located off of Nyes Road. He noted that the event will start at 6 p.m., and end at 9 p.m. He noted that the event will include a tent filled with exhibitors from Community Service providers and a live band will be providing entertainment. He noted that food and drinks will be available. He explained that public safety equipment will be on display for the young and old to enjoy.

Mr. Wolfe noted that the Dauphin County Area Agency on Aging, in conjunction with the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture, will offer qualified senior residents vouchers worth \$20 to purchase state-grown fruits and vegetables at local farmers markets. He noted that Dauphin County residents are eligible if they are 60 years of age or older and have a gross annual income of less than \$20,036 for a single individual or \$26,955 for married couples. He noted that the vouchers will be distributed at the following sites in Dauphin County: Essex House – 320 Market St., Middletown, 17057, Tuesdays, from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m., and Northern Dauphin Human Services Center - 295 State Drive, Elizabethville, 17023 – Tuesdays, noon to 3 p.m. More information is available by calling 780-6130.

Mr. Seeds noted that Possibility Park is also located in the Thomas B. George Jr. Park.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### Action on bids for the annual sanitary sewer maintenance and emergency services contract

Mr. Hawk noted that the Authority has been making repairs to the sanitary sewer system for many years, and bids were received on July 15, 2010 for the annual sanitary sewer maintenance and emergency services contract. He noted that the Authority Engineer, CET

Engineering Services, has reviewed the bids and found that E. K. Services, Inc. of New Cumberland submitted the lowest base bid in the amount of \$164,840.82.

Mr. Wolfe explained that the Township has no direct work experience with E. K. Services, Inc., however, their references have been checked and found to be acceptable. He noted the bid amount of \$164,840.82 is lower than the engineer's estimate for the services rendered. He noted that staff recommends the execution of a contract for services to E.K. Services, Inc.

Mr. Crissman made a recommendation to award the bid to E.K. Services, Inc. in the amount of \$164,840.82, for the maintenance and emergency repairs to the wastewater collection system contract. Mr. Seeds seconded the motion. Mr. Hawk called for a roll call vote: Mr. Crissman, aye; Mr. Seeds, aye; and Mr. Hawk, aye.

Mr. Seeds noted that as of yesterday, he has first hand experience of sanitary sewer work to his property. He noted that the sewer connection to his home has torn up his yard, but it is a necessary evil.

Resolution 10-20; authorizing the submission of a Local Share Grant application to Dauphin County by the Linglestown Fire Company

Resolution 10-21; authorizing the submission of a Local Share Grant application to Dauphin County for improvements to Page and Spring Creek Roads

Mr. Hawk explained that the next two resolutions authorize the submittal of two Local Share Grant applications to Dauphin County. He noted that the first grant application is submitted by the Linglestown Fire Company. Mr. Crissman requested Mr. Wolfe to explain the second Resolution at the same time in order to combine the two Resolutions. Mr. Hawk questioned Mr. Stine if this could be done. Mr. Stine responded that it has been done in the past.

Mr. Wolfe explained that the Linglestown Fire Company is requesting a Local Share Grant Award from Dauphin County in the amount of \$425,000 to be used in the renovation of its

fire station. He noted that the Township, in conjunction with Dauphin County, is submitted a second grant application requesting \$250,000 for improvements to Page and Spring Creek Roads. He noted that last year, the Dauphin County Commissioners awarded a first phase application in the amount of \$250,000 and it was understood that a second submission would be submitted for an equal amount this year.

Mr. Wolfe explained that Local Share Grant applications are requesting gaming funds, and Dauphin County, as the site of the Hollywood Casino, is authorize to expend funding to eligible municipalities throughout the County for infrastructure improvements that are related to the impact of gaming in the community.

Mr. Wolfe noted that the Township was the recipient of two grant awards in 2009 for the Page and Spring Creek Roads project and alley improvements in Linglestown. He noted for 2010, in conjunction with the Linglestown Fire Company, the Township is seeking for \$425,000 for improvements to the fire station, and a second round for the Page and Spring Creek Roads improvements. He noted that it is staff's recommendation that the Board authorize the grant applications by these two resolutions.

Mr. Seeds explained that the Linglestown Fire Company, for many years sponsored Bingo at its location on Tuesday nights. He noted with the advent of the Hollywood Casino, it cut into their business to the point that they could no longer make a profit, and as of last November they discontinued their Bingo Night. He noted that they estimated their loss at roughly \$30,000 a year. He explained that it is important that the Fire Company get financial help to support their needs.

Mr. Crissman made a motion to adopt Resolution 2010-20; authorizing the submission of a Local Share Grant application to Dauphin County by the Linglestown Fire Company, and

Resolution 2010-21; authorizing the submission of a Local Share Grant application to Dauphin County for improvements to Page and Spring Creek Roads. Mr. Seeds seconded the motion. Mr. Hawk called for a roll call vote: Mr. Crissman, aye; Mr. Seeds, aye; and Mr. Hawk, aye.

### **IMPROVEMENT GUARANTEES**

Mr. Hawk noted that there were no Improvement Guarantees.

### **Payment of Bills**

Mr. Seeds made a motion to pay the bills of Lower Paxton Township and Lower Paxton Township Authority. Mr. Crissman seconded the motion. Mr. Hawk called for a voice vote, and a unanimous vote followed.

### **Announcements**

Mr. Hawk reminded the viewing audience that National Night Out will be held on Tuesday, August 3<sup>rd</sup>, starting at 6 p.m. at Thomas B. George Jr. Park.

### **Adjournment**

There being no further business, Mr. Crissman made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Seeds seconded the motion, and the meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Maureen Heberle  
Recording Secretary

Approved by,

Gary A. Crissman  
Township Secretary