

LOWER PAXTON TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Minutes of Board Meeting held November 17, 2009

A business meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Lower Paxton Township was called to order at 7:45 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., William L. Hornung, Gary A. Crissman, and David B. Blain.

Also in attendance were George Wolfe, Township Manager and Steven Stine, Township Solicitor;

Pledge of Allegiance

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

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Crissman made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 22, 2009 workshop meeting and the November 2, 2009 business meeting. Mr. Blain seconded the motion, and a unanimous vote followed.

Chairman & Board Members' Comments

No comments were presented

Manager's Report

Mr. Wolfe noted that the Lower Paxton Township, in conjunction with the Village of Linglestown Committee, invited dignitaries, community residents, and merchants, officially broke ground for the Linglestown Corridor Improvement project on Monday, November 16th.

He noted that the project has been discussed since 1993, and this is the third attempt to make the improvements. He noted that the construction period will commence this week and extend through the spring of 2011. He noted that significant construction will begin in the spring of 2010, and at that point in time, traffic detours would be put into affect. He noted that the project will disrupt the normal travel patterns in the Village, however, once the project is completed, the Village will have an asset in transportation for the Community, and something that will assist the Village to grow and prosper.

Mr. Wolfe noted that the Parks and Recreation Department will sponsor the Holiday Tree Lighting on Friday, December 4th at 7 p.m. at the Friendship Center. He noted that Santa Claus will arrive by fire truck, The Lower Paxton Township Variety Band will provide music, and games and refreshments will be available for all participants.

Mr. Wolfe noted that the Breakfast with Santa Claus program will be held on Saturday, December 12th, starting at 9 a.m. Reservations are required and can be made by contacting the Friendship Center.

OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Hawk noted that there was no old business.

NEW BUSINESS

Ordinance 09-15; amending Ordinance 07-15; the Property Maintenance Code of Lower Paxton Township

Mr. Hawk explained that Ordinance 09-15 amends Ordinance 07-15 for the Property Maintenance Code. He noted that it established minimum regulations for governing the conditions and maintenance of all property, building and structures. He noted that this ordinance provides for safe habitation in the Township.

Mr. Wolfe explained that this ordinance adopts the 2009 International Property Maintenance Code as the maintenance code for the Township. He noted that it amends the current code in affect which is the 2006 International Property Maintenance Code.

Mr. Wolfe noted in the public advertisement, there was a typographical error in that it referred to the incorrect ordinance number to be amended. He noted, if Mr. Stine had no problem with the minor error, it would be appropriate to continue with the public hearing.

Mr. Stine noted that this is the time and date set for the public hearing for Ordinance 2009-15, that amends Ordinance 07-15, the Property Maintenance Code of Lower Paxton Township. He questioned if anyone in the audience desired to make comments on Ordinance 2009-15. Mr. Stine noted, seeing no response, it would be in order at this time to close the public hearing on Ordinance 2009-15, and the Board may take action if it so desires.

Mr. Crissman made a motion to approve Ordinance 2009-15; which amends Ordinance 07-15, the Property Maintenance Code of Lower Paxton Township. Mr. Blain seconded the motion. Mr. Hawk called for a roll call vote: Mr. Blain, aye; Mr. Crissman, aye; Mr. Hornung, aye; Mr. Seeds, aye; and Mr. Hawk, aye

Resolution 09-48; Authorization to advertise the Township's intent
to retain Brown Schultz Sheridan and Fritz to audit
the accounts of the Township for the 2009 fiscal year

Mr. Hawk noted that Resolution 2009-48 authorizes the Township's intent to retain Brown Schultz Sheridan and Fritz to audit the accounts of the Township for the 2009 fiscal year.

Mr. Wolfe noted that townships of the Second Class have their audits performed by elected auditors. He noted that the Township has the option to eliminate the elected auditors by having the audit performed by a certificated public accountant (CPA). He noted that, given the fact that the Township has outstanding bond debt, and it is a requirement to have an audit

performed by a CPA, the Township has appointed a CPA firm to perform the 2009 fiscal year audits for the Township, the Friendship Center, and the Sewer Authority. He explained that the resolution authorizes the advertisement of the Board's intent to retain Brown Schultz Sheridan and Fritz to perform the 2009 fiscal year audits. He noted that action to retain the auditing firm would take place during the annual organization meeting held on the first Monday in January.

Mr. Blain made a motion to authorize Resolution 2009- 48, the advertisement of the Township's intent to retain Brown Schultz Sheridan and Fritz to audit the accounts of the Township, the Friendship Center, and the Sewer Authority, for the 2009 fiscal year. Mr. Crissman seconded the motion. Mr. Hawk called for a roll call vote; Mr. Blain, aye; Mr. Crissman, aye; Mr. Hornung, aye; Mr. Seeds, aye; and Mr. Hawk, aye.

Resolution 09-46; Application for a permit to PENNDOT to install and operate traffic signals at Page Road and Spring Creek Road/Chatham Glenn Way

Mr. Wolfe noted that this traffic signal is necessary for the requirement for the Bishop McDevitt High School Land Development Plan. He noted that the Township is submitting the application as prepared by the developer in accordance with the plan approval.

Mr. Crissman made a motion to approve Resolution 2009-46, the application for a permit to PENNDOT to install and operate traffic signals at Page Road and Spring Creek Road/Chatham Glenn Way. Mr. Blain seconded the motion. Mr. Hawk called for a voice vote, and a unanimous vote followed.

Change Order 13 to the contract with Handwerk Site Contractors for George Park Roadway Improvements

Mr. Wolfe explained that Change Order 13 is in the amount of \$12,795.55, noting that the original contract price was \$999,042. He noted the reason for this change order is to reconfigure the sidewalk and driveway into the Whitcomb property that abuts the Thomas B.

George Jr. Park site, and the driveway into George Park. He explained that the improvements to the north of the site affected the Whitcomb driveway and sidewalk. He noted that the property houses a cell tower site that is surrounded by the remainder of George Park and the Paxtonia ball fields. He noted that additional work was needed to fix the Whitcomb's driveway and sidewalk.

Mr. Wolfe noted that the change order has been reviewed by Mr. Fleming from HRG, Inc., and he recommends its approval.

Mr. Hornung questioned why this was not picked up on the engineering drawings. Mr. Wolfe answered that this project was bid, and after finding environmental issues, redesign work had to be done. He noted that the original bid did not include the redesign work.

Mr. Crissman made a motion to approve Change Order 13, to Handwerk Site Contractors for the Thomas B. George Jr. Park project, for roadway improvements in the amount of \$12,795.55. Mr. Blain seconded the motion. Mr. Hawk called for a voice vote, and a unanimous vote followed.

IMPROVEMENT GUARANTEES

Mr. Hawk noted that there were two Improvement Guarantees.

Deaven Woods

A reduction in a bond with Developers Surety and Indemnity Company, in the amount of \$309,800.00, with an expiration date of September 22, 2010.

Snow and Vespignani

An extension and a 10% increase in a letter of credit with Centric Bank, in the amount of \$60,638.61, with an expiration date of November 17, 2010.

Mr. Crissman made a motion to approve the two Improvement Guarantees as presented. Mr. Blain seconded the motion. Mr. Hawk called for a voice vote, and a unanimous vote followed.

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.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Mr. Seeds made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Blain seconded the motion, and the meeting adjourned at 7:49 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Maureen Heberle
Recording Secretary

Approved by,

Gary A. Crissman
Township Secretary