

SALFORD TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Regular Business Meeting

June 19, 2013

Chairman Barb Lynch called the meeting of the Board of Supervisors to order at 7:35 PM with a Pledge of Allegiance. Present were:

Barb Lynch, Chairman
James B. Styer, Vice Chairman
Tom Neff, Supervisor
Robert Iannozzi, Solicitor

Karen Landis, Secretary
Wayne Mensinger, Zoning Officer
Doug Hedrick, Road Superintendent

CONSENT AGENDA – Chairman Lynch reviewed items 3a through 3d. Jim Styer reported on Finance Committee review of sewer project construction costs. Tom Neff commented on objection of continually being excluded from email distributions discussing township business. Barb Lynch clarified sewer costs source documents and explained revision to agenda items. **Motion 13-076** by Styer, second by Lynch approved Consent Agenda. Motion carried 3 – 0.

SEWER STATUS UPDATE:

- A. COUNTRY VIEW PUMP STATION & FORE MAIN DEDICATION** – Construction build out of the Country View Development is complete to where the Township will take ownership of the pump station and force main that services the development. Solicitor Bob Iannozzi reported the Deed of Dedication has been prepared as previously authorized and forwarded to developer and engineer for final review.
- B. ASSESSMENT PAYMENT PLANS** – Barb Lynch reported on responses from the six (6) unpaid sewer assessments – 2 have participated in converting the municipal lien to the consent lien agreement, 2 have expressed interest in participating and the remaining 2 have been contacted. Given the success rate, Barb requested the BOS consider extending the June 15th deadline to June 30th. Jim Styer commented the township objective is to get everyone to participate in the payment plans if necessary thereby meeting the ultimate goal. **Motion 13-077** by Lynch, second by Styer extending the deadline to June 30th. Motion carried 2 – 1. Tom Neff explained his opposition because deadlines keep getting extended and inquired about the game plan after June 30th if still no participation.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES:

- A. BARNDT ROAD DRAINAGE** – As a result of resident complaints regarding drainage issues Bill Dingman and Doug Hedrick completed a field inspection of the dirt road portion of Barndt Road. Based on the inspection, Bursich Associates recommended the BOS consider the following actions:

- 1) Restore the capacity of the two 24 inch drainage pipes and continue to direct the water to the wooded area of the Landes property per the prior agreement. Verify any legal issues with township solicitor.
- 2) Consider vacating this portion of Barndt Road from Allentown Road to the Turnpike as the road serves no function for the township traveling public.

Discussion was held on usage, emergency access, maintenance responsibilities and approximate expenses incurred for pipe replacement and road abandonment.

Motion 13-078 by Lynch, second by Styer approving pipe replacement and authorizing notification to residents to schedule a meeting with involved property owners. Motion carried 3 – 0.

Action Item: Contact residents by phone & letter to discuss interest and scheduling a meeting regarding Township vacating Barndt Road and turning over to property owners.

B. WHITES MILL DAM BID PACKAGE – Bill Dingman reported PEMA/FEMA/DEP authorization for necessary repairs. A proposal of \$46,000 has been received from O'Brien & Gere Engineers for design and permits and an additional \$13,000 for environmental assessment. **Motion 13-079** by Lynch, second by Styer approving up to \$59,000 in engineering expense to solicit bids for construction repairs. Motion carried 3 – 0. Engineering and construction expenses are approved reimbursable.

PA TURNPIKE DETOUR UPDATE:

Barb Lynch provided an update on the PA Turnpike construction detour with regard to the use of Clump Road. Meeting minutes were received, reviewed and approved by township engineer. Awaiting further response from Turnpike on outstanding items: 1) confirmation of complete truck traffic removal from Clump Road in exchange for granting of detour.

AWARD OF BIDS: Doug Hedrick reported on the results of the gasoline, diesel and heating oil bids. **Motion 13-080** by Lynch, second by Styer awarding the 2013 diesel and heating oil bid to Moyer and Son and the 2013 gasoline bid awarded to Farm & Home Oil. Motion carried 3 – 0.

ACTION ITEM REVIEW: Karen Landis summarized pending and new action items:

- 1) Barndt Road pipe replacement – Public Works (8/31/2013)
- 2) Barndt Road resident updates/meetings – Doug & Karen (7/28/2013)
- 3) Review and compilation of Fire Company Service Agreement – Solicitor & BOS (7/17/2013)
- 4) Joint Park Board Termination Agreement – Salford & Franconia Solicitor (7/15/2013)
- 5) Cressman Road drainage repairs and/or proposal – Public Works (7/17/2013)
- 6) Status of junkyard violation – Zoning Officer (7/17/2013)
- 7) Sewer assessment repayment plans (6/30/2013)
- 8) Status of 2013 objectives – Committee's, Solicitor & Engineer (7/17/2013)
- 9) Hudak lease termination & walk through – Public Works & Zoning (6/30/2013)
- 10) Stray animals on Township property – Tom Neff (7/17/2013)
- 11) Status of Weeds, Inc. herbicidal application – Karen Landis (7/17/2013)

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Rich Andrews commented on concern of vacating township roads.
Steve Wagner commented on Barndt Road and Voudy Road closures.
Steve Wagner commented on Finance Committee review of sewer assessment and interest charges.
Steve Wagner requested BOS consider no engine brakes signs on Ridge Road.

ADJOURNMENT – There being no further business, **Motion 13-081** by Styer, second by Lynch adjourned the meeting at 8:45 PM. Motion carried 3 – 0.

APPROVED: JULY 17, 2013

MOTION: 13-082 BY: LYNCH SECOND BY: STYER VOTE: 3 - 0

(TOWNSHIP SEAL)

