

SALFORD TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Work Session and Regular Business Meeting

March 12, 2014

Chairman Jim Styer called the meeting of the Board of Supervisors to order at 7:30 PM with a Pledge of Allegiance. Present were:

Jim Styer, Chairman
Barb Lynch, Vice Chairman
Tom Neff, Supervisor
Robert Iannozzi, Solicitor

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

ANNOUNCEMENT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION – Jim Styer announced Executive Sessions were held on February 25th to conduct annual performance appraisals with employees. March 12th Executive Session discussed ZHB variance application, annual wage reviews, Halteman open space request. The following motions are actions as a result of the Executive Sessions:

Motion 14-035 by Styer, second by Neff authorizing Solicitor to draft a letter to Zoning Hearing Board that the BOS position for the Moyer zoning variance is neutral provided that implementation is done in strict accordance with laws, plans and exhibits presented. Motion carried 3 – 0.

Motion 14-036 by Styer, second by Lynch increasing Administrative Assistant hourly wage to \$18.00/hour and Public Works Laborer hourly wage to \$24.00/hour; both retroactive to 1/1/2014. Motion carried 3 – 0.

CONSENT AGENDA – Jim Styer reviewed items 3a through 3d. **Motion 14-037** by Styer, second by Neff approved Consent Agenda. Tom Neff questioned Jay Delp invoices. Motion carried 3 – 0.

COMMITTEE RELATED:

A. FINANCE COMMITTEE - Jim Styer explained research to replace the office phone system and computer hardware/software upgrades. Proposals from all vendors were reviewed by Finance Committee with the following recommendations and a long term technology plan:

1. **Motion 14-038** by Styer, second by Neff approving Galco CPE equipment proposal for POTS lines and system. Motion carried 3 – 0.
2. **Motion 14-039** by Styer, second by Lynch approving Keystone Technical proposal for 2 desktops, MS Office 2013, Windows 7. Motion carried 3 – 0.

B. OPEN SPACE – Barb McMonagle explained the 2nd grant application partnering with Natural Lands Trust to acquire an easement on the Halteman property and proposed agreement approval to move forward with 2nd appraisal and grant application. Jim Styer questioned the total cost to the Township and inquired about potential future development of property. **Motion 14-040** by Styer to approve the 2nd Halteman agreement grant application. No second – motion fell. Both Barb Lynch and Tom Neff explained their reasoning for no second.

C. **PARK BOARD** – Tim Clemmer presented a comprehensive overview of the research, rationale and efforts taken in the development of some of the features for the Tylersport Park plan. Further discussion with WB Homes and follow up from the 2/19/2014 meeting it was confirmed that due to soil disturbance a new storm water management study would be required by the Township Engineer before a “final plan” can be considered. The next steps would be to finalize the plan based on Engineer input regarding storm water management, present final plan to BOS for approval, determine construction sequence based on budget funding. Subjects of specific concern appear to be the placement of the dog park and portable toilets. Tim also thanked all Park Board members (specifically Frank Jarrett) who have contributed so much time and effort in this project and expressed gratitude for resident input and interest.

It was suggested presenting a revised proposed plan without the dog park and portable toilets and solicit resident input on both plans. In the meantime, research the cost and placement of potential public sewer facilities.

Frank Jarrett commented on the substantial amount of money required to construct and/or remodel 1 of the existing buildings for public sewer facilities.

Bob Sorenson requested the proposed park drawings be made available on the website.

Tom Williamson commented on the park issues being considered as a community issue rather than a split issue.

Jim Wellington suggested consideration be given to using the old ambulance building.

Russ Makos questioned the status of the possible grant application.

NEW BUSINESS:

KING ROAD – Barb Lynch advised the public on the status of the King Road situation. Montgomery County has put King Road bridge repairs out for bid and suggested the BOS consider long term disposition of the bridge and also keep County aware of Township plans for King Road to include dirt & gravel road program and stream bank stabilization.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Denise Kane inquired about the decision on the deputy tax collector.

Carol Casper explained her position on the need for a deputy tax collector versus a consultant when needed.

Daniel Harrell commented on BOS assistance for King Road residents

Daniel Harrell requested BOS assistance for King Road residents regarding the King Road bridge – identify objectives, scope of work, needs & preference, voice on behalf of residents.

Tony Mielich commented on a new system used to determine bridge structure criteria.

ADJOURNMENT – There being no further business, **Motion 14-041** by Styer, second by Lynch and Neff adjourned the meeting at 9:15 PM. Motion carried 3 – 0.

APPROVED: APRIL 2, 2014

MOTION: 14-042

BY: STYER

SECOND BY: LYNCH

VOTE: 3 - 0

(TOWNSHIP SEAL)

