MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE SUPERVISORS OF HEIDELBERG TOWNSHIP HELD MARCH 28, 2013

PERSENT – David Randler, Tom Schoener, David Manbeck, Terry Wolfe, Solicitor Haws, Brian Thumm, Val Lacis and Cheryl Bowers.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM with the pledge of allegiance.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION
Nothing

MINUTES: The February 28, 2013 minutes were circulated. Supv. Schoener made a motion to approve the February 28, 2013 minutes as circulated, seconded by Supv. Wolfe and passed unanimously.

TREASURERS REPORT - The March treasurers report was circulated. Chairman Randler made a motion to approve the March treasurers report, seconded by Supv. Wolfe and passed unanimously.

PAYMENT OF BILLS: The March bills were presented. Chairman Randler made a motion to pay the bills as presented, seconded by Supv. Schoener and passed unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

SEWER – Sewage Transportation Agreement letter from Attorney George was circulated. The figures were not available for this meeting. This was tabled till next month.

POLICE, FIRE & EMG. MGT. PUBLIC WORKS & SAFETY – All reports were circulated. Supv. Schoener reported that he talked to Superintendent Grove regarding his letter dated March 20, 2013 urging the Township to join forces with Western Berks Police Dept. It was decided to ascertain the dates of large events at the school so Heidelberg Township police can have a presence at such events.
Supv. Manbeck reported that the Womelsdorf Rod & Gun has not made a decision regarding the assault rifle.

PLANNING COMMISSION – There was no meeting in March due to the weather.

ROADS, BLDG. & EQUIP. - Report circulated. Received estimates from Burkholder for Hill Rd., Old West Penn, Brossman Heights and Township lot. After much discussion it was determined there is not enough money to do all the work in the estimates. The following is an option: shoulder and base repair in Brossman Heights followed with oil & chip, Hill Rd. and possibly part of the Township building.
MS4 – Supv. Manbeck reported that Sam wants to know if he is to do the MS4 work or the engineer. Secretary to contact Dennis Smaglinski to determine the costs, as we spent almost $10,000 last year on MS4.
ATS will be inspecting the fire extinguishers. Safety/Loss Control Program sample will be reviewed till next meeting. Solicitor Haws will talk to Sam about the PSATS CDL Program Guidance.

RECREATION BOARD – No report.

ZONING HEARING BOARD – No report.

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COMMITTEE REPORTS CONTINUED

BUILDING INSPECTORS REPORT – CIA report circulated

ENGINEERING REPORT – TEI report circulated

PLUMBING & SEO – TEI report circulated

COG – No report

BERKS COUNTY COOPERATIVE COUNCIL – No report.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE – No report.

ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COUNCIL – No report.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

JOINT ZONING – No report.

UNIFORM CONSTRUCTION CODE – No report.

ACRE LAW SUIT – No report.

SOLID WASTE/RECYCLING – Received $112.75 from Lebanon Farms for recycling.

ZONING ISSUES – After discussion on Kline and Painter the Secretary was instructed to have John Stine proceed to the next step regarding citations. Solicitor Haws circulated the Kissinger agreement. Secretary to send Mr. Kissinger a copy for his review and signature to be returned to Heidelberg. Discussion on the Willis Wenger property. The camper is supposed to be moved April 1. Supv. Wolfe reported that Mr. Wenger is renting the barn closest to Rt. 422 to Outdoor Impressions. Outdoor Impressions has been using the existing sign along Rt. 422 which would be a zoning violation (off premise), however if they are now renting the barn it would appear that they can use the sign. Supv. Wolfe also reported that Mr. Wenger has a business in the white building along Rt. 422. After much discussion regarding certificate of occupancy/change of use, etc. it was decided to have Solicitor Haws contact Mr. Wenger's attorney and secretary to contact John Stine to determine what procedure should be followed.

LOWER HEIDELBERG TOWNSHIP BRIDGES – After discussion on the receipt of correspondence from Lower Heidelberg Township it was decided the Secretary to send Mr. Neal Nevitt, Supervisors from Lower Heidelberg a letter stating Chairman Randler, Supervisors Schoener, Sam Perrotto and possibly Dennis Smaglinski would like to meet with Lower Heidelberg at a convenient time for both.

BETHANY MUNICIPAL IMPROVEMENTS AGREEMENT – No report.

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UNFINISHED BUSINESS CONTINUED

C.W. LITTLE SCOUTS – Letter was sent to Ted Hancock regarding landscaping.

OUTDOOR WOOD BURNERS – Tabled

TOWNSHIP MAP –Secretary was instructed to proceed.

WILLIS WENGER – See Zoning Issues

TAX COLLECTOR RESOLUTION – Solicitor Haws circulated the proposed resolution. After review by the Supervisors it was agreed upon to delete the following: In addition, the Township hereby provides authority for the tax collector to be reimbursed for any non-sufficient fund charge incurred by the tax collector, which charge is not timely reimbursed by the taxpayer which caused such non-sufficient fund charge.
Solicitor Haws will rework the resolution.

COMCAST RENEWAL PROCESS – Solicitor Haws will look into the agreement with Comcast. Chairman Randler stated he would like to see the Township change the phones over to Comcast.

CORRESPONDECE
See attached

NEW BUSINESS

COMPUTER SUPPORT – Chairman Randler stated he will not be involved with the computer any longer and the Township should look for another IT person. The secretary was instructed to contact other municipalities and see who they are using. Supv. Wolfe stated we should get someone local who can also do a web page.

AUDIT – Chairman Randler stated the 2012 audit findings stated there should be a mileage log for all Township vehicles and a board member should sign the checks.

WERTZ LANDSCAPING – Received a letter from Jessica Kosoff of Arthur Funk & Son requesting a change in landscaping for the Wertz Dental office. Mr. Tony Brochu, a neighbor would prefer to have just a single row of trees between the properties. This would eliminate 5 Douglas Fir trees, however they will replace them with 5 Norway Spruce trees to the end of the line of trees and will stagger them. They are also requesting to change some of the other plantings, not eliminate them.
Chairman Randler made a motion to approve the waiver based on not changing the number of trees/plantings. Motion seconded by Supv. Wolfe and passed unanimously.

POLICE PENSION PLAN – Supv. Wolfe made a motion to adopt ***RESOLUTION #4-2013***, Heidelberg Township Police Officer has not made a member contribution to the Police Pension Plan for the years: 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012 and 2013. Motion seconded by Supv. Schoener and passed unanimously.

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NEW BUSINESS CONTINUED

CONRAD WEISER SENIOR PARTY – A letter was received from Mary Beth Eshbach asking for a donation to the Senior Class After Graduation Party. Supv. Wolfe made a motion to donate $100 to the cause, seconded by Supv. Manbeck and passed unanimously.

CELL PHONES - Chairman Randler reported that Chief Boyer has requested an IPhone. Chairman Randler will pursue the purchase of new cell phones from Verizon.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned on a motion by Supv. Schoener, seconded by Chairman Randler and passed unanimously. Time: 9:22 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl L. Bowers, Secretary