

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE SUPERVISORS OF HEIDELBERG TOWNSHIP HELD
MARCH 27, 2014**

PRESENT: David Randler, Terry Wolfe, Thomas Schoener, Randy Yoh, Brian Thumm, Carol Keppley, Robert Keppley, Pastor Bill Weiser, Jeff Weidner, Gary Zerbe, John Nace, Joe Purfield, Ardell Hoover, Brad Gruel, David Nelson, Karen Feick and Cheryl Bowers.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Randler at 7:30 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence in memory of Sam Perrotto.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

PASTOR BILL WEISER - Pastor Weiser stated the Jack Frost parade is scheduled for November 2, 2014 at 3 PM. They will stage at the Conrad Weiser Middle school and proceed up Rt. 422 to Brooke St. ending at Trinity Lutheran Church. Pastor Weiser is requesting permission to approach the State to close Rt. 422 during the parade which would redirect traffic. Robesonia has agreed to redirect the west bound traffic though the borough and Pastor Weiser is requesting permission for Heidelberg Township to use Big Spring Road. All agreed this would not be a problem as the parade will not be lengthy. Chairman Randler asked if the Township should pursue the redirection of traffic with the state. Pastor Weiser said he has the paperwork all ready but will get back to us if we need to do anything.

JEFF WEIDNER

EMERGENCY MANAGER COORDINATOR - Jeff is the Fire Commissioner of the Western Berks Fire Co. He stated that he is also the Emergency Manager of five municipalities, all in Western Berks County. At one time each of those municipalities had their own plan and now it is one plan. Supv. Yoh made a motion to adopt **RESOLUTION #6-2014 A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS OF HEIDELBERG TOWNSHIP, BERKS COUNTY, COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE WESTERN BERKS REGIONAL EMERGENCY OPERATIONS PLAN FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF HEIDELBERG TO BE PLACED INTO IMMEDIATE EFFECT.** Motion seconded by Supv. Schoener and passed unanimously.

RYAN ZERBE

WOMELSDORF FIRE CO. – Ryan presented each Supervisor with the annual 2013 report. Ryan stated they are looking into purchasing a used ladder truck costing approximately \$200-\$300,000. They have their old one up for sale.

BERKS COUNTY END USER AGREEMENT FOR RADIOS – Supv. Wolfe made a motion to authorize execution of both the Womelsdorf Fire Co. and Heidelberg Township User Agreement, seconded by Supv. Schoener. Motion passed unanimously. Voting no: Chairman Randler and Supv. Thumm.

ARDELL HOOVER

BRAD GRAUEL – The plan proposed to separate the existing barn with 2.513 acres from the residue tract of the previously subdivided Lorna Miller Estate, leaving a new residue tract of 69.025 acres. Technicon reviewed this in a letter dated Feb. 19, 2014. Heidelberg Township Planning Commission has also reviewed the plan and recommended approval from the Supervisors contingent upon review from Berks County Planning Commission and the review letter dated Feb. 19, 2014. The request for non-building waiver was submitted to DEP. The Berks Planning Commission review was received in a letter dated March 10, 2014. The future owner of the barn will be responsible to confirm with the regulations of the Low Density Residential Zoning District. This note will be added to the plan.

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AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION CONTINUES

ARDELL HOOVER

BRAD GRAUEL - Supv. Wolfe made a motion to grant conditional approval contingent upon a note placed on the plan stipulating that the future owner must adhere to the rules and regulations of the zoning district – Low Density Residential and Womelsdorf Borough signing off. Motion seconded by Supv. Thumm and passed unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

SEWER – Received the proposal from Select Environmental Solutions – Mike Kreiser. In the agreement it states that during year one, compensation will be at the rate of \$925 per month, with an annual escalator cost of 5% and is applied on the anniversary date of the contract. Emergency calls will be billed at \$45 per hour. They would like to make upgrades to the pump stations such as a reversal switch which will save time and money in the future. Supv. Thumm made a motion to sign the Agreement with Select Environmental Solutions, seconded by Supv. Schoener and passed unanimously.

Received letter from Schatz Electric with their fees.

Solicitor Haws stated he has not received the Sewer Transportation Agreement from Solicitor George.

POLICE, FIRE & EMG. MGT. – Report circulated. The \$1,000 donation from the Womelsdorf Rod and Gun Club was used to purchase a new rifle and accessories. Supv. Thumm stated there must be a policy in place and training prior to use.

Supv. Schoener made a motion to purchase a \$125 brick in memory of Sam Perrotto to be displayed at the Berks County Fraternal Order of Police Memorial in Bern Township. Motion seconded by Supv. Thumm and passed unanimously.

PLANNING COMMISSION – Minutes circulated.

ROADS, BLDG. & EQUIP. – Road inspection was set for Sunday, Mar. 30, 2014 from 7 am – 10 am. This will be advertised. Chairman Randler made a motion to have Reilly Street Sweeping do the roads in late April, seconded by Supv. Yoh and passed unanimously. Supv. Yoh made a motion to schedule SealMaster Municipal Supply (crack sealing) with a cost of \$1,800 per week plus material for the week of May 19, 2014. Motion seconded by Supv. Wolfe and passed unanimously.

Glenn High is requesting permission to run a pipe under Pieller Rd. – This will be looked at during road inspection.

High School flasher has been ordered and a vacation switch will be installed on both. The school will pay for one of the switches.

Salt – we used a total of 400.57 tons of salt with a cost of \$21,838.89.

John Nace was told to order paint for line painting. Letter will be sent to Joe Lenzi regarding a tree on the property ready to fall onto the road. The red truck is due for inspection and needs tires. John Nace said they will begin to cold patch the roads on Monday. Secretary was instructed to contact Tammi Reinhart regarding the Cargill law suit.

RECREATION BOARD – No report.

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COMMITTEE REPORTS CONTINUED

ZONING HEARING BOARD – No report.

BUILDING INSPECTORS REPORT – Report circulated.

ENGINEERS REPORT – TEI report circulated

PLUMBING & SEO – TEI report circulated.

COG – Chairman Randler will call a meeting to discuss the purchase of electric speed signs.

BERKS COUNTY COOPERATIVE COUNCIL – No report.

ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COUNCIL – No report.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

JOINT ZONING – No report

UNIFORM CONSTRUCTION CODE – No report.

ACRE LAW SUIT – emailed copy of email from Attorney Ludwig.

SOLID WASTE RECYCLING – County recycling report is completed. We have approximately \$13,000 in the DEP grant and it must be spent by April 2014.

ZONING ISSUES – emailed John Stine's report. The Kerry Kline property will be looked at during road inspection.

BRUBAKERS – No report.

LOWER HEIDELBERG TOWNSHIP BRIDGES – No report.

C.W. LITTLE SCOUTS – No report.

TOWNSHIP MAP – Map will be ready for distribution in mid April.

CONCAST RENEWAL PROCESS – No report.

RENTAL PROPERTY INSPECTIONS – Circulated the proposal from Technicon. Harold Speicher is possibly interested in joining the committee along with Bob Keppley, Dave Randler, Dennis Manbeck, Paul Radcliffe.

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CORRESPONDENCE

See attached

NEW BUSINESS

ELECTION SERVICES POLLING PLACE AGREEMENT – Supv. Schoener made a motion to execute the Polling Place Agreement with the County of Berks. Motion seconded by Supv. Yoh and passed unanimously.

BERKS COUNTY CONSERVATION DISTRICT – Received a letter stating they will be conducting West Nile Virus monitoring in Heidelberg Township once a month from April 1 through Oct. 1, 2014.

At this time an executive session was called to discuss personnel: Time 9:15 PM
The meeting was reconvened at 9:50PM

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned on a motion by Supv. Schoener, seconded by Chairman Randler and passed unanimously. Time: 9:55 PM

Respectfully submitted,



Cheryl Bowers, Secretary

NEXT MEETING: APRIL 24, 2014