

September 6, 2011

The monthly meeting of Tunkhannock Township Board of Supervisors was called to order at 7 PM by Chairman White. A salute to the flag was recited. This meeting was recorded. In attendance were: Supervisors Randy White, Ernest Reich, Glenn Shupp, Judy Gingham, secy., Chief Stanley Ely, Bill Pogson, William Radle, Kiwanis Club: Gene Truax, Russ Jackson, Ken Leone, Kevin Woodruff Wyo. Co Press

Chairman White opened the meeting to the special guest on behalf of the Kiwanis Club, Gene Truax, Treas. presented a check for \$500 for the new playground installed last year. (Guests left meeting at 7:10 PM)

August Minutes were reviewed. A motion to accept the minutes as written was made by Shupp, second by Reich with White in agreement.

Outstanding Invoices were reviewed. An Order to Pay was made by Shupp, second by Reich, White agreed except for Ck. # 8398 Harleth Davis, and # 8399 Milnes Engineering. Motion carried to pay all submitted invoices.

August Financial Reports were distributed to the Board. (report on file). Balances as of 8/31 in accounts for general use: Gen. Funds – Peoples Checking \$50,078.48- PLGIT Savings \$256,142.85 – Peoples Savings \$226,094.83- State fund – PLGIT \$ 32,773.74 and Park Fd. PLGIT \$ 521.07 - Peoples \$ 9242.06

Requisition Slips – No requests were made.

Road Dept. Report – In Ken White absences, the secy. gave the monthly road activities as: installing the new road signs and the repairs have been completed to the storage buildings.

Police Dept. Report – Chief Ely gave the monthly activity report (report on file).

Park Dept. Report – Randy White gave the park report from Tom Daniels. The damage received from Hurricane Irene was mostly fallen branches and the mud on the handicap fishing access which is in the process of being cleaned up. He and Ben also mowed the cemeteries before the Labor Day holiday.

The secy. presented the Board with a check of \$1,800 from the Endless Mts. Antique Power Assoc. from their event in July.

The Park is still booked on weekends until the middle of Oct which includes the Rotary Wine Festival on Oct. 8th.

A discussion was held on the amount of rentals for the year and many new inquiries for next year, the Board will consider erecting another pavilion.

OLD BUSINESS

Act 537 Study - a public hearing was held at the Tunk. Middle School on Aug. 30th at 7 PM for residents of Hilltop Dr. & Maple Lane and West Tioga St. All three supervisors attended with Harleth Davis and Ned Solcum, Milnes Engineering. The hearing was held to inform the residents of some options for sewage collection and to receive their comments.

Mr. Davis requested from the secy. information for the past 10 yrs. of septic records. This will be a time consuming project.

Draft Floodplain Ordinance – the draft is still being reviewed and not ready for advertising. Atty. Litwin said FEMA had extended the deadline a couple of months to adopt the new ordinance.

Northern Tier Energy Grant – the twp was awarded the grant in the amount of \$1,890.50. Mr. Painter requested a copy of the “cut sheets” to apply to Penelec for additional reimbursement for the twp.

NEW BUSINESS

2012 Pension Plans MMO – the municipal minimum obligation worksheets were presented to the Board. The obligation for the non-uniform plan is \$3,320.00 and the uniform is \$18,114.00. A portion of the cost should be covered by the annual state aid allotment. Worksheet must be submitted to PMRS by Oct. 7th.

Subdivision – Albert Dymond – Henry Dr. the proposed subdivision is to be an add on parcel of 1.4 acres to Albert Dymond Jr. parcel. The Board had no concerns or comments. The Wyoming County Planning Com. approved the minor subdivision today.

Resolution #2011-09-06 – DEP Planning Module for the Gas House Gang LLC development on SR 29 N. As part of the planning module the board is required to pass a resolution. A discussion was held on the proposed property commercial development in reference to sufficient septic and traffic in the area. A motion to sign Resolution #2011-09-06 was made by Shupp, second by White with Reich in agreement.

Posting & Bonding Ordinance Review – Atty. Litwin forward information to review revising the current Posting & Bonding Road Ordinance. This will be tabled to a later date so as to review with Ken White, road foreman.

Citrus Energy Corp. – DEP Permit – Dark Hollow Road – a letter of notification was sent of the intentions of Citrus Energy to develop a gas well site on the McConnell property off Dark Hollow Rd. Board reviewed the site map of location. Comments are to be submitted with 30 days of August 26th. No comments from the Board.

Semi-Annual Liquor License was received in the amount of \$400 for two business, Fireplace Restaurant and the Liquid Assets Beverage & Recreation Inc. (old Shadowbrook).

Laurel Drive Request – residents of Laurel Drive sent a letter requesting placement of speed limit sign be installed on their road. Due to the number of cars speeding and the number of close call to children living on the road. Chief Ely verified the speed limit as 25 mph. Ken will be asked to address the posting of the signs.

Fox Road Request – The Kingston’s sent a letter of concern for a culvert pipe that goes under the road and ends at the end of their driveway. The edge is an unmarked open hole that is not apparent to drivers. With the narrowness of the road, it is only a matter of time before someone has an accident. The hole should be covered with a grate or other cover materials. Someone will look at the site. They would like a letter of assurance that the liability of this matter is the twp’s and not theirs. The board agreed to refer this to the solicitor.

Fall Clean Up day – The Board set the day for Sat. Oct 1st from 8 AM to 2 PM. All fees will remain the same. \$30 per tk. Load, appliances \$20 and smaller loads charge according to size.

Wyo. County is holding an electronic recycling day for Sat. 17th from 9 AM to 2 PM.

Wyo. Co. Assoc. of Twp. Officials will hold the fall convention on Wed. 21st at Triton Hose at 5 PM.

CORRESPONDANCE

L-Tap training – Winter Maintenance will be held on Sept. 27th at the twp building 8AM to 3 PM.

OPEN TO THE FLOOR

Bill Pogson asked if he can have some of the crushed stone left behind by the Antique Tractors Assoc. The Board approved his request. Some people have inquired about pile of old bricks, they can have them.

Bill Radle voiced his concerns about the shoulders on Jayne Road near the "S" corners. Secy. confirmed the serious condition of the shoulders. The Board will have the road foreman address the issue.

White recessed the meeting to executive session at 7:50 PM. In attendance were the Board, secy. and Chief Ely. Topic of discussion was police matters, concerns of Posting and Bonding and hiring additional help for the roads and park.

The meeting reconvened at 8:15 pm. The following business was addressed: The Board agreed to accept the settlement for the damage to the 2008 Crown Vic from July and that Sgt. Morrstell and Officer Papi will attend a Bullet Proof seminar at LCCC on Oct 29th cost \$89 each.

The Board approved the hiring back of Kenny Young as part-time - on call basis.

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 PM was made by Shupp, second by White with Reich in agreement.

Respectfully Submitted,

Judy Gingher, secy.

Sept. 8, 2011

The previous day and overnight, Tropical Storm Lee created road damage and flooding, the board declared a state of emergency at 8 AM. Due to the impassible roads, a conference call between board members and secy. was held to declare the state of emergency. It was submitted to Wyo. Co. EMA that day.

Also during the call, Secy. Judy Gingher was appointed to act as the twp's applicant agent to apply to FEMA/PEMA for disaster aid.

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Additional flash flooding and road damage occurred. The damages will be included under the Tropical Storm Lee disaster declaration.

Respectfully Submitted,

Judy Ginger, secy.

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