



## REPORTS, cont.

**Landfill Inspector** – No comments were received.

**Recreation Board** – No report was received. Aungst said the Eagle Scout project was moving ahead and earth where the bathroom will be is going to be moved in the next two weeks. John Myers has offered his services to design the bathrooms.

**Roadmaster** – Roadmaster was not present, no comments were received.

**Zoning Officer** – Zoning Officer was not present; Zimmerman said there were two approved and one disapproved permits for August.

## OLD BUSINESS

- ♦ **Line Painting Bid Opening** – No bids were received. A discussion was held on re-advertising the project. Aungst moved to have the Roadmaster get quotes for line painting on Stanhope and Camp Road. Wise seconded the motion, all were in favor and motion carried 4 to 0.
- ♦ **Computer Quotes** – Ferguson said some quotes were not received; the item was tabled until next meeting.
- ♦ **County Hazard Mitigation Plan Resolution** – Ferguson said DiNicola emailed the resolution before the meeting but she couldn't open the document. The resolution was tabled until the budget meeting and Zimmerman said he would talk to Horst and DiNicola before the meeting.
- ♦ **Joint Treatment Authority Board Vacancy** – Lehman moved to appoint Bernie Kulkaski as the Township representative to the Joint Treatment Authority Board to fill the vacancy left by the resignation of Roberta Jelicks (term ending January 2012). Zimmerman seconded the motion, all were in favor and motion carried 4 to 0.
- ♦ **PennDOT Bureau of Aviation Hearing** – Zimmerman read PennDOT's response to the Township's request to hold the hearing in the evening. PennDOT replied they are not allocated overtime to hold the hearing so it cannot be held in the evening and they gave an address residents could send comments to if they are unable to attend the hearing.

## NEW BUSINESS

- ♦ **2007 Schuylkill County Township Officials Convention Attendance** – Lehman said she plans to attend. Zimmerman moved to approve Ferguson sending a check for those attending the County Convention, Lehman seconded the motion, all were in favor and motion carried 4 to 0.
- ♦ **2008 Budget Meeting Dates** – Zimmerman moved to advertise special meetings for the 2008 budget and other business on September 26, October 1<sup>st</sup> and October 15<sup>th</sup> at 7 PM. Lehman seconded the motion, all were in favor and motion carried 4 to 0.
- ♦ **PMRS Minimum Municipal Obligation Report** – Zimmerman moved to approve the Minimum Municipal Obligation Report prepared by Ferguson. Aungst seconded the motion, all were in favor and motion carried 4 to 0.
- ♦ **Jamie Shiffer Resignation** – Aungst moved to accept Shiffer's resignation, Lehman seconded the motion, all were in favor and motion carried 4 to 0. Aungst moved to advertise for a part-time office assistant, Lehman seconded the motion, all were in favor and motion carried 4 to 0.

## CORRESPONDENCE

- ♦ **Pine Grove Borough Request** - Aungst moved to approve the Borough's request to use Township Roads for detours during the Halloween Parade on October 20, 2007. Lehman seconded the motion, all were in favor; motion carried 4 to 0.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Zimmerman announced an executive session on employee matters and the Board adjourned into executive session at 7:55 PM. At 8:10 PM the meeting resumed.

Zimmerman made a motion the road crew follows the PennDOT procedures for all their road work, Wise seconded the motion, all were in favor and motion carried 4 to 0. Zimmerman said he will write a letter for Ferguson to type.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

- ♦ **Terry Ritzman** asked if the Dairy Queen at Gooseberry Farms had a building permit. Zimmerman said none was needed for remodeling, only for a new building or expansion. Diane Tobin asked about the UCC permit and if they needed a land development permit. Zimmerman said they would need a UCC permit. Discussion on permits followed.
- ♦ **Donald Wenrich** asked where we stand with Berkheimer returning our tax money for the OPT tax. Aungst said his last call was not returned, but we did get a list to make sure all businesses were on and that was before the EMS rate was changed. Ferguson said it had been discussed before that it would probably take legal action to collect the money.
- ♦ **Donald Wenrich** said the Landfill is selling gas to Ingenco and the Township should get a share in the revenue. Lehman said they purchased the rights to the gas and Zimmerman said the landfill gas agreement was verbal only. Lehman said she would check to into it.
- ♦ **Bernie Kulkaski** said he found the Special Meeting interesting and the engineer asked for input, but he feels there is no direct line for public input. Aungst said the meeting was advertised, but there were few people there. Kulkaski said the ordinance changes affect the Borough by putting more stress on their police, flooding from development, etc.; he encouraged more communication between the Township and the Borough. Kulkaski also said the current plan for stormwater is developed around two year storms. Aungst said the two years in the plan is referring to volume controls; we currently have rate controls in our ordinances, but not volume controls. Aungst also said growth in the Township also has a positive effect on the Borough by supporting local businesses.
- ♦ **Aungst** noted the County clean-up will be hosted by Washington Township on September 27<sup>th</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup>, and 29<sup>th</sup>.
- ♦ **Zimmerman** read the reply letter from PennDOT for our request to have a "Hidden Driveway" sign placed on SR 443 near Waterbridge. PennDOT denied the request saying the driveway is a permitted drive with acceptable sight distances. The Board asked Ferguson to send a copy of the letter to the Homeowner's Association of Swatara Village as they originally brought the concern to the Board.

**ADJOURNMENT**

At 8:40 PM Aungst moved adjourn the meeting, Lehman seconded the motion, all were in favor and motion carried 4 to 0.

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**Respectfully submitted,  
Kathy Ferguson, Secretary / Treasurer**

**Approved by the Board of Supervisors on October 10, 2007.**