

**ELK TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MEETING MINUTES
May 14, 2012**

The Elk Township Board of Supervisors Meeting convened at 7:00 PM at the Elk Township Building, Lewisville, PA. The following Supervisors were present: Chairman Palmer Durborow, Vice Chairman Estace Walters and Member Albert Jezyk, Jr.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

No public comment.

ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION/PRESENTATIONS/CORRESPONDENCE

TJA Properties (TOJO Mushrooms) Purchase of Agricultural Conservation Easement – Chester County Agricultural Land Preservation Board Correspondence dated 5/2/12; and Douglas & Torrence Young Purchase of Agricultural Conservation Easement - Chester County Agricultural Land Preservation Board Correspondence dated 5/2/12; and

Pal Durborow referred to Chester County Agricultural Land Preservation Board (CCALPB) correspondence dated May 2, 2012. The CCALPB has agreed to purchase the conservation easements for the TJA Properties (TOJO Mushrooms) and Douglas & Torrence Young properties. The TJA Properties conservation easement appraised for \$6,700 per acre and the Douglas & Torrence Young conservation easement appraised for \$7,040 per acre. The Township's funding amounts would be \$185,925 for the Young conservation easement and \$457,600 for the TJA Properties conservation easement. The property owners would need to accept the offer and work out funding terms within thirty days.

On a motion made by Estace Walters, seconded by Al Jezyk, the Board agreed to work out funding terms for the purchase of the TJA Properties (TOJO Mushrooms) and Douglas & Torrence Young conservation easements. The vote was unanimous.

Chester County Planning Commission Correspondence dated 4/18/12 Proposed Zoning Map Amendment Act 247 Review

Pal Durborow referred to Chester County Planning Commission (CCPC) correspondence dated April 18, 2012 reviewing the proposed Zoning Map Amendment. The Board discussed the proposed Zoning Map Amendment at last month's meeting. CCPC's review notes that the majority of the parcels are one an unmarked area of the existing map. The Township Solicitor will advertise the public hearing for the proposed Zoning Map Amendment.

Long View Farm Purchase of Development Rights/Easement Brian Campbell Correspondence dated 2/23/12

The Township Solicitor has advised Brian Campbell that the Township would be willing to discuss purchasing the Long View Farms development rights. The Township Solicitor also advised Brian Campbell that the Township would not be willing to pay more than one-half and that the tower must be included.

Union Fire Company #1 2011 Annual Report

Pal Durborow referred to the Union Fire Company #1 2011 Annual Report. The report includes an update on the Hickory Hill sub-station, an overview of operating costs, and fire company responses by municipalities. The report is available at the Township office for public review.

Oxford Area Recreation Authority April Report

Pal Durborow referred to the Oxford Area Recreation Authority April report stating the park is being well used, Little League has reserved the baseball field, bids will be opened and contracts awarded in June, and that they will be installing a dog park and disc golf.

2011-2012 Road Salt Contract Waiver of Minimum Required Tons

International Salt has agreed to waive the 2011/2012 salt contract's 60% minimum requirement for purchasing salt.

Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission Draft 2013 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

The Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission Draft 2013 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) is available for public review and comment. The only improvement listed for Elk Township is the Camp Bonsul Bridge repair. The bridge remains on the TIP list of projects to be done.

2012-2013 Request for Bid Proposals – Roadwork Equipment Rental, Winter Road Maintenance Equipment Rental, Aggregate Materials, Blacktop Mixes, Liquid Asphalt

The 2012-2013 Request for Bid Proposals will be advertised for roadwork equipment rental, winter road maintenance equipment rental, aggregate materials, blacktop mixes, and liquid asphalt.

STAFF REPORTS

Secretary's Report

On a motion made by Estace Walters, seconded by Albert Jezyk, the April 2, 2012 Board of Supervisors Meeting Minutes were approved with the addition of "Borough of Oxford" on Page 4 "Joint Comprehensive Plan". The vote was unanimous.

Treasurer's Report

On a motion made by Estace Walters, seconded by Al Jezyk, the Bills to be Paid for May, with the exception of Roadmaster Payroll, were approved. The vote was unanimous.

On a motion made by Al Jezyk, seconded by Pal Durborow, the Bill to be Paid for Roadmaster Payroll was approved. Estace Walters abstained from the vote.

Tax Collector

Real Estate: \$6,365.31

Planning Commission

Pal Durborow referred to the April Planning Commission Meeting Minutes stating Hickory Hill zoning designation changes noted.

Zoning Hearing Board

No action.

Building Report

Pal Durborow referred to the April Monthly Building Report stating four inspections were performed; twelve inquiries were received; and two Building Permits were issued.

Zoning Report

Pal Durborow referred to the April Monthly Zoning Report stating two Zoning Permits were issued; seven inspections were performed; twenty-one inquiries were received.

Roadmaster

Roadmaster Estace Walters referred to the April Roadmaster report stating Brian cut up trees on King Row Road, signs were ordered, the Camp Bonsul Road sign was straightened, trees were cut on Elk Mills Road, the intersection of Route 472 and King Row Road was weed-eated, there was an accident on State Road and Hickory Hill Road, he talked to Brian about adding stop sign ahead signs, he called the state about the Chrome and Barren Road accident but hasn't heard back, trash from clean-up day was disposed of at the landfill, Dave Harlen looked at the water issue on Reisler Road, and he will meet with Dave on roadwork. Estace stated that there were twelve volunteers helping on the Township clean-up day. Pal stated that they had the same crew as last year plus two new people.

Post Office Committee

Pal Durborow referred to the January 2, 2012 Post Office Committee Report noting a starting balance of \$15,421.42 and ending balance of \$15,805.43, and to the April 4, 2012 Post Office Committee Report noting a starting balance of \$15,805.43 and ending balance of \$16,914.43.

Historic Commission

No report.

OLD BUSINESS

Peacedale Court

Pal Durborow stated that Steve Austin has advised that PennDOT's contractor quoted \$500,000 for Peacedale Court. Pal will talk to Dave Harlan about the specifications for the intersection.

NEW BUSINESS

Springlawn Road

Pal Durborow stated that the Springlawn Road spur trails need to be mowed. Robert Gregg will meet with Pal to see what needs to be mowed.

PUBLIC COMMENT

John Groce asked how do they determine the value for Long View Farms.

Pal Durborow stated that Brian Campbell would have an appraisal done and the county would rate the property. Pal also stated that the Township would not pay the entire costs.

Estace Walters stated that the county will do the appraisal and the owner can get their own appraisal.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:25 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Terri Kukoda
Secretary/ Treasurer