

MARION TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS MEETING December 11, 2012 at the Township Building

Present: Jack Aberegg, Ken L. Roan, Herb Chapman and Ellie Trulick

Guest: Ron Boyles, (Boyles Insurance), Grace Gorenflo, (Mt. Nittany Health Systems) Orié Hanley, and Tim Weight

Vice Chairman Roan called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. followed by Pledge of Allegiance

Aberegg made a motion to approve the Minutes from November 15, 2012 BOS meeting. Chapman 2nd Aberegg- Yes Roan- Yes Chapman - Roan

Public Comments: **Ron Boyles** from Boyles Insurance—Pricing is not complete at this time. The insurance company is working on Act 46 due to the extensive problems that this fireman's cancer bill is causing. Marion Township pays a percentage of the workman's compensation for Howard volunteer Fire Company. This affects 36 municipalities under Boyles Ins here in Centre County. Insurance companies are dropping this insurance for many municipalities.

Grace Gorenflo, Mt. Nittany Health Systems—They are looking for community health needs in the area and want people to attend a meeting in January to discuss what Mt. Nittany can do for the health needs of various communities. Also they want to determine how to get the information from all county municipalities. Information would be needed back to them by February. Suggestions were made we send out the information furnished by the Mt. Nittany health System with self-addressed stamped envelopes to return the information to them. **Roan made a motion we send out this information if they supply all the information to us. Aberegg 2nd Aberegg- Yes Roan – Yes Chapman – Yes** The meeting of January 14, 2013 will be from 9:00 to 4:00 all day seminars will be held to get ideas and move forward. Access issues and providers who are used by residents of Marion Township will be the topics of discussion. **Aberegg made a motion we send some one(s) to this meeting. Roan 2nd Aberegg- Yes Roan – Yes Chapman – Yes Jackie** Aberegg is a nurse and would be an excellent candidate to attend from our township if she is available.

Orie Hanley—He is willing to rescind his request for a Zoning Hearing Board hearing on the complaint against him, due to the cost to the township. He does not feel the cost from \$2,500.00 to \$3,000.00 for the township is necessary. Many projects at the Township could be completed with that kind of money instead of paying for attorneys and recorders for a zoning hearing board hearing. **Chapman made a motion to allow the goat being questioned is allowed to remain until it passes on. At that time it cannot be replaced unless such new Ordinance would allow for such animal(s) replacement. Secondly he requests that the Planning Commission work on a new Ordinance addressing the issue of animals being allowed to live on small lots (less than 5 acres) in the Township for 4-H projects. Aberegg 2nd Aberegg- Yes Roan – Yes Chapman – Yes** Secretary is to contact Dillon and inform him of the task to be performed by the Planning Commission. Weight stated that this action should address any issues from the community as suggested may come up. Also the County is working on this issue and the Planning Commission should contact the county for any guidance.

Hanley stated that on January 21 or 22, 2013 a meeting would be held at the Penn Stater Hotel for discussion on this particular issue of 4-H projects to be presented to the House and Senate. Dept of Agricultural is heading up this issue.

Old Business: Don Franson letter to Elam Stoltzfus on HOP issue was approved via e-mail and the letter has been sent.

New Business:

1. Nittany Valley Joint Planning Commission (NVJPC) – No meetings held
2. Zoning Report for November 2012 –Tim sent via e-mail a copy of letter to Ripka on the violations at his property. Tim's e-mail with comment on this issue concerning Houser and Ripka everyone received Jim Bryant's e-mail also on this. Roan questioned the letter to Houser concerning the 2 vehicles on his property. Houser was to get a copy of the registration on one of the vehicle to Tim. Garbage has been removed. Trailer was removed. Ripka issue on the dilapidated building was discussed. Roan recommended the secretary to send this information to our solicitor Bryant with the two Ordinances (17 and 93-28) being violated requesting a nuisance petition or the property being deeded to the township. Also include the original letter sent by Zoning Officer Weight. Roan asked if zoning officer had heard from Weaver on his old vehicles and the weed Ordinance violation. No he has not. **Roan made a motion for the Zoning Officer to move forward on the Weaver Property issues being taken to the magistrate. Aberegg 2nd Aberegg- Yes Roan – Yes Chapman – Yes** Roan questioned ZO on the Hall property as to whether he had heard from them. ZO had found a refrigerator and freezer on the porch with the doors still intact also containers with lids on that were there from before. Old furniture that is rotting is also there. This is a violation of PA laws. All doors are to be removed from this type of appliance when being stored to prevent children from crawling into these appliances and being trapped. The PA State Police handle this type of matters. **Roan made a motion Weight go forward with this issue and have the property totally cleaned up. Using the State Police if needed. Aberegg 2nd Aberegg- Yes Roan – Yes Chapman – Yes** Roan asked ZO what is the status of the trailer park. ZO has been contacted by a realtor and the potential new buyer asking questions concerning this property and if she can expand the property. The property can be expanded by 50%. Also he was told that Veronesi is including the trailer park fees for 2013 into the deal and it was to close possibly

last Friday. A realtor also contacted Aberegg on public water and sewer but the township does not have public water or sewer. Roan and Weight went to Beech Bottom and Two Mile to look into the complaint brought by McCauley at the last meeting. The neighbor came out and stated they had not made any formal complaint concerning the shed that was placed on the neighboring property. The shed is approximately 25-30 feet from the property line and not in any violation. Hanley asked ZO who would contact the Zoning Hearing Board that no hearing will need to be convened, as he will abide by the decision of the Board of Supervisors. Roan stated he prefers that Zoning Officer Weight make the contact. Aberegg stated he feels it is a good thing that Weight and Roan are going around the township.

3. Park & Rec – No November meeting. Soda machine has been removed and we do have some soda, power aid and water left 81 bottles in total.
4. Planning Commission Minutes for November meeting – Jim Sampsell sent in a letter to become a member of the Planning Commission. **Roan made a motion to accept Sampsell as a new member of the Planning Commission. Chapman 2nd Aberegg-Yes Roan – Yes Chapman – Yes** Secretary is to send him a letter asking him to attend the next meeting and to inform Rick Dillon of his acceptance by the BOS.
5. Head Roadmaster –November report No action Roan asked how many septic tanks to be completed only 1, which is his neighbor.
6. PSTATS update for 2013 mileage to .565 -- FYI
7. Info on Act 13 funds received by Marion Township– How our money amount was calculated. FYI Only
8. Notice of State Police fines to be received – FYI Only
9. PSATS Invoice/2013 Membership card info - Any changes needed to the listings? Orie Hanley will be replaced with Jim Sampsell to receive the PA Township News for Planning Commission.
10. Discussion items and/or Decisions needed: Discussion of how complaints are to be handled. i.e. no anonymous complaints to be heard. Complainant must appear in person or present the complaint in writing with a signature. Roan stated he will continue to report any Ordinance violations that he finds. He feels that it is the duty of all supervisors and they are bound by law to keep doing this. Weight stated in his recent review of the Zoning Officer duties that the way for any complaint to be acted upon is: only when all names are stated either personally or in writing. We must be very careful about creating problems between neighbors when that is not the intention at all. Roan stated the Lick Run Bridge is not on the TIP for 2013 but on the design for 2015-2018. Karen Michaels states that the bridge is not deficient only narrow and there is not a hole there. Roan expressed concern about one of the letters sent to Aberegg about keys. Questions were asked and Roan is upset with the letter and feels that it is against the township, township officials and employees. Comments pursued. **Roan made a motion to adopt the 2013 budget as presented. Aberegg 2nd Aberegg- Yes Roan – Yes Chapman – Yes**

Chapman made a motion to approve the Treasurer’s Report and pay all bills and checks as presented. Roan 2nd Aberegg- Yes Roan – Yes Chapman - Yes

Treasurer’s Report: including the list of checks written to date for approval with Treasurer’s Report. (Some checks were mailed and the balance are being presented for signatures at this meeting.) Checks listed above are from November 13, 2012 through December 6, 2012. Check numbers and the amounts are on the listings and it will be included with the official minutes for filing. Additional checks written after the above dates may be presented for approval at the monthly meetings. The above additional checks will be included again on the monthly listing for approval at the following month meeting.

PLEASE NOTE ALL BALANCES BELOW ARE AFTER ALL CHECKS LISTED IN ABOVE REPORT HAVE BEEN WRITTEN.

General ---	\$141,214.72	State Liquid Fuels Fund ---	\$ 3,798.66
Park Fee-In-Lieu Account ---	\$10,733.34	State Equipment Fund ----	\$11,503.80

Aberegg made a motion to adjourn the meeting of December 11, 2013 at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jack Aberegg, Chairman

Ellie Trulick, Secretary/Treasurer

Ken L. Roan, Vice Chairman

Herb Chapman