

MARION TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS MEETING February 9, 2010 at the Township Building

Present: Jack Aberegg, Ray Gutshall, Kenneth Roan, and Ellie Trulick

Guests: Shirley Dolan, George Bartley, Jr., Edward Poorman, Brian & Tina McCauley, Herb Chapman, Tim Weight, Tom Bowes, Ori D. Hanley, Todd Dolan, Bob Mann, Joy Gutshall

Call to order at 7:00 p.m. followed by Pledge of Allegiance

Reorganization minutes had the following corrections: Sharon Bathgate was appointed as Assistant Secretary, under item # 10 Park & Rec Board still has a vacancy, item #21 delete "fees will be the same" as that is confusing. Discussion of Rick Dillon's position on the Planning Commission was held. **Roan made a motion to accept the minutes with the above corrections. Gutshall 2nd Aberegg- Yes Gutshall- Yes Roan-Yes** The regular meeting minutes of January 4th needed the to be changed in Item #8 the word from position to possession. **Aberegg made a motion to approve the January 4th with the above correction. Gutshall 2nd Aberegg- Yes Gutshall- Yes Roan – Yes** (All of the above changes were made to the original minutes before final printing)

An Executive Committee meeting was held at 6:00 by the Supervisors to discuss personnel issue.

Public Comments: None

Old Business:

1. Ron Gallagher—Discussion was held of what the procedure is to put a lien against the Sheriff sale of a home. The sale is coming up on February 11th. **Gutshall made a motion we have a municipal lien placed on that property. Roan 2nd Aberegg- Yes Gutshall – Yes Roan – Yes** Secretary will contact Sheriff's office to determine what exactly has to be done to place this lien.
2. Stan Wallace was sent a letter concerning Glossner property and the Coyote Lane issue. E-mail was received today from Stan stating that he would watch Coyote Lane diligently. No answer from Stan on the Glossner property issue. Discussion held how to get SEO Wallace to complete this project. Aberegg will contact Stan on this issue.
3. Tom Bowes from Howard Fire Company brought in the signed addendum for Howard Fire Company agreement with Marion Township. Tom brought the reports for our records of FAT and also the EMS calls made for January and the year. Secretary will make copies for all Supervisors. Called Allen Strouse from Walker and he is going to get back to me before the meeting but no one showed up from Walker Township Fire Company. Bowes stated the boxes are set up as requested. Bob Mann came in around 7:30 and stated that he will be at our next meeting to discuss the dry hydrant. Bellefonte will be mutual-aid to the Forest Avenue area.
4. Adoption of Resolution 2010-2. Discussion of items to be changed. Secretary will make all changes and send out corrected copies to all Supervisors. **Roan made motion to approve with the changes. Gutshall 2nd Aberegg – Yes Gutshall – Yes Roan - Yes**

New Business:

1. Nittany Valley Joint Planning Commission (NVJPC) – Nothing new to report.
2. Park & Rec January 6, 2010 Minutes/February 3, 2010 – Discussion was held on having 1 parent attend per each student working at the Community Service Day at the Park may be a problem for some parents. Gutshall discussed the tractor needing repairs. Tim Weight stated that he did his own maintenance and repairs. Roan has been doing his own also. Gutshall stated we have a mechanic to do all mechanical work and do not need to send equipment to any one else. Community Service was further discussed and held off to Head Roadmaster report below.
3. Zoning Report for January 2010 – Gutshall brought up the Sign Ordinance in relation to Eddie Poorman property. Tim Weight had discussed this with Poorman and he is satisfied with the answer. Amish signs in question are allowed per Tim. Veronisi Trailer Park was sent the bill for the 2010 by Tim.
4. Planning Commission Minutes for January meeting – Gutshall discussed the Mitigation Report Plan to be adopted by April. EMC Latchat has resigned. Randy Rockey stated we must have this person under Title 35. A possibility that NVJPC has a person we could use. Gutshall instructed the Planning Commission to take over the completion of this plan.
5. Head Roadmaster Report January 2010 – Bids for old truck after the delivery of the new truck may be able to be put on the internet Gutshall will write up the bid. Asking price can be placed in the add. Quotes for trailer: **Fast Track Trailer - \$6,429.00 Bradco - \$ 7,242.00 Hostetler Trailer Sales - \$6,031.00 Fayette trailer Sales - \$5,950.00** Fayette is the lowest bid. Tim stated that Kaufman trailer sales are worth looking into. Aberegg

stated we will not be spending the money for a trailer at this time. Roan stated the locks still need to be changed on the back door. He asked about the keys given out; for the Secretary's office is the three Supervisors and Tim. Todd Dolan has a key to clean and Aberegg stated that will not be necessary any more and we need that key back. Community Service Application was discussed and changes were made. A form is on line and must be used per the Bellefonte High School. We need a waiver if a parent cannot be there. Gutshall will write up a waiver. Community Service Operating Procedure some changes were made. **Roan made a motion to use forms as recommended by Gutshall including the waiver and the form will be presented to the solicitor for final approval. Aberegg 2nd Aberegg-Yes Gutshall- Yes Roan – Yes** Grader work was mentioned. Gutshall stated the grader should be kept but the motor was in bad shape. The cost to date is approximately \$2000.00 for labor and the parts are around \$600.00 and George Bartley, Jr. stated he still has a couple hours left to finish. We did not save any money on this project as stated in the January 4th minutes. Discussion was held about overspending by the Head Roadmaster. Aberegg stated the Head Roadmaster will only spend \$1000.00 without further approval. Roan's item in the Newsletter should be left alone as printed. Calls will come to him and the secretary.

6. Aberegg mentioned that mileage is an expenditure that must be cut to help save costs. There was 6,000 miles used in 2009. He wants the mileage cut in half. Aberegg asked if Ray charges both time and mileage when he is out checking roads. Yes he does usually. Gutshall stated he does do this without charging. Roan suggested that Gutshall should be checking roads in the White truck instead of his own and then he could spread salt right then and there if needed. Aberegg stated Orié Hanley, III will be doing the cleaning of the Township building and we will save a minimum of \$36.00 per month. Orié should spend only about 2 hours a month. Aberegg is going to take care of the garbage. Roan will bring the garbage down from the Park. Roan stated he needs 55- gallon trash bags at the Park. Gutshall will take care of the garbage in the garage. Propane in the garage has cost us \$447.+ in less than 30 days. The garage should not be set at 65 degrees constantly. Temperature should be set to 45 degrees from now on. Aberegg stated this should save us about \$200.00. Gutshall stated bids should be obtained on any items regardless of cost. He will be monitoring the work hours closer! McCauley questioned mileage for zoning officer and parts being picked up. Discussion ensued on this subject. Aberegg stated regardless we are going to cut the mileage expense to the Township. Zoning Officer's mileage is not an issue.
7. Centre County Solid Waste December 2009 report – No action needed
8. Centre County Planning and Community Development Office letter to Gregory & Shawnie Butts proposal. – No action needed Secretary sent letter to Stan Wallace stating we are not looking for fees-in-lieu on this property.
9. Centre County Planning and Community Development Office letter to Nittany Engineering on Jacob & Lizzie Esh - Replot proposal – No action needed
10. SEDA COG Information on utility bill Analyses – No action taken
11. Walker township Water Assoc. Inc. – Aberegg stated to be looking at the Walker Township water issue. Get on the internet and look at this.
12. E-Mail from Interfaith Mission to place information in Newsletter – Aberegg suggested this should be put into the Newsletter if there is room.
13. County Office of Elections – **Roan made a motion to approve the dates. Gutshall 2nd Aberegg-Yes Gutshall – Yes Roan – Yes** Dates will be May 18, 2010 and November 2, 2010 for elections.
14. Letter from Centre County Board of Commissioners – \$10,000.00 Liquid Fuels grant was awarded to Marion Township. MS 339 was signed by Supervisors and will be returned to County Commissioners.
15. Howard Volunteer Fire Company No 1 letter dated January 12, 2010 – Names and Addresses of new officers for 2010. FYI No action Needed
16. Strob Environmental Inc. letter of January 11, 2010 – FYI No action needed
17. COSTARS salt contract needs to be submitted by March 15, 2010. – Apply for 200 tons of salt same as 2009-2010 seasons.
18. E-Mail from Jon Eich on the grant program for trees. – FYI No action needed
19. Park Grant letter with instructions and close out form. – FYI for when Park work begins note about signage required. **Aberegg made a motion we get the sign for the Park as required. Roan 2nd Aberegg- Yes Gutshall – Yes Roan- Yes** Gutshall will get the sign made. **Aberegg recommended for Roan to be the liaison between the Park Project, DCNR, and Franson Engineering.** Aberegg questioned the prevailing wage clause. This project is to be done in section only.
20. Formal Complaint filed – Herb Chapman filed a formal complaint against Supervisor Gutshall for comments made concerning Chapman's son. Secretary read the letter from Attorney Bryant stating that we are to do nothing on this issue. Shirley Dolan stated that this was started because of a comment she made to her sister and was passed around through the family and finally told to Chapman. Aberegg stated it was a personal problem and not for the Township to discuss.
21. EMC Stephen Latchat – Letter sent to him regarding information requested by the County. I didn't copy all the information required but I did give a copy to Ray to take to the meeting held on January 27th. Ray discussed the issue above in Planning Commission on EMC (Emergency Management) Mitigation Plan. Latchat resigned. Gutshall stated we need the ID badges for all employees. Secretary had told the Supervisors this months ago.
22. County 911/Emergency Communications – FYI address correction for Lorna Shay correct address is 130 Shay Lane.
23. Invitation to Bellefonte Emergency Medical Services – FYI Roan and the Secretary may attend. Someone should attend.
24. Bellefonte Area High School Academic Achievement Award – We have been giving \$50.00 for purchase of a \$100.00 savings bond. Roan discussed Marion Township should be giving more money to the students than the savings bond, which takes 14.5 years to mature. Other Townships give cash awards or payment directly to the school the student will be attending. **Aberegg made a motion to give \$100.00 cash each to the male and female with the highest GPA in Marion Township. Roan 2nd Aberegg- Yes Gutshall – Yes Roan- Yes**

25. Roan will contact Senator and Representatives to set up a meeting during the PSATS Annual meeting in April. During meeting Roan will discuss possibility of getting another grant and some of their Walk Around Money. Roan did speak to Senator Corman previous to the meeting and he can meet him as a Supervisor. Wages will be paid and mileage will be paid at current rates for attendance at this or any conference. Roan stated the meals will not be charged to the Township but the Township will pay Roan's room. Secretary's room is to be paid by the CCATO.
26. **Secretary Items:** 1. Discussion of use of Fax Line phone. This phone line is for faxing and local calls only not long distance calls. 2. Aberegg discussed the current Verizon Wireless billings. We were over 300 minutes this month. Aberegg stated he did not realize that Gutshall's cell phone had been added to the Township billings. Aberegg stated this came about due to texting being charged on his phone for \$17.95 this month. Secretary cancelled all texting on the Township cell phones. Aberegg will write the Township a check for that amount. We have 1400 minutes to share between the office phone, Chairman, Head Roadmaster and Tax Collector. Secretary checked into what we can do on this. We can get 2000 minutes for \$90.00 per month. **Aberegg made a motion that we increase the phone minutes to 2000, Head Roadmaster and Chairman will each have \$10.00 taken from their paychecks. Gutshall 2nd Aberegg- Yes Gutshall – Yes Roan – yes.** Gutshall wants a note to be put into the Newsletter that cars should be removed from Cul-De-Sacs and the roadsides during snow from 6:00AM to 6:00 PM. George Bartley, Jr. stated that Walker Township is not doing their job properly. Gutshall is to contact Ron Burd about it. An Ordinance will need to be drawn up to restrict all parking from these areas. **Gutshall made a motion to restrict all parking in cul-de-sacs, no basketball hoops, no parking along roadsides.** No second. More discussion about parties with cars parked, fire equipment getting to the homes, etc. Aberegg stated that Supervisors should be prepared to discuss how the Ordinance should be worded for enactment and presentation at the next meeting in March.
27. McCauley mentioned the CCMPO concerning that Marion Township should be admitted.

Treasurer's Report: (FEB 71-74) including the list of checks written to date for approval with Treasurer's Report. (Some checks were mailed and the balance is being presented for signatures at this meeting.) Checks listed above are from January 4th through February 4th, 2010. Check numbers and the amounts are on the listings and it will be included with the official minutes for filing.

Checking accounts were set up at Jersey Shore State Bank for General, Park and State Fund. Some money is still in the First National Bank Payroll General account and PLGIT at this time. PLGIT State Fund was cleared out. State has been notified to send the Liquid Fuel payment to the new Jersey Shore State Bank account.

Aberegg made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report and pay all bills. Gutshall 2nd Aberegg- Yes Gutshall – Yes Roan - Yes

PLEASE NOTE ALL BALANCES BELOW ARE AFTER ALL CHECKS HAVE BEEN WRITTEN.

General Payroll ---	\$2,652.87	Jersey Shore Park Account ---	\$83,581.23
PLGIT General -----	\$6.38	Jersey Shore/State Equipment \$ =	\$5,450.00
Jersey Shore General ---	\$88,032.18	Jersey Shore State Fund ---	\$36,708.39

Aberegg made a motion to Adjourn. Meeting held February 9, 2010 was adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ellie Trulick

Jack Aberegg, Chairman

Ray Gutshall, Vice Chairman

Ken Roan