

MARION TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS MEETING February 8, 2011 at the Township Building

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

Guests: Jerry McCloskey, Ed Poorman, Herb Chapman, Brian McCauley, Stan Wallace, and Tim Weight

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

Aberegg made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 3rd reorganization meeting and January 3rd regular meeting. Roan 2nd Aberegg- Yes Gutshall – Yes Roan - Yes

Public Comments:

Stan Wallace presented two planning modules to the Marion Township Planning Commission: Eddy Watkins and Henry Weight, Jr. Watkins property needs to have the property reclassified from agricultural use to residential. DEP Component #1 Planning Module for Supervisors signature. Discussion on the Fees-in-lieu for this property. None will be paid as this falls under a previous Ordinance stating no fee for 0-2 lots. **Aberegg made a motion to sign the letter from the County Planning and Development Committee stating no comments from Marion Township. Roan 2nd Aberegg- Yes Gutshall – Yes Roan – Yes. Roan made a motion to sign the Component #1 Planning Module for Eddy Watkins property. Gutshall 2nd Aberegg- Yes Gutshall – yes Roan – Yes Stan** needs a HOP for this property they may be moving the driveway. Stan will get the form from the Internet and complete and bring back to Aberegg for approval. Henry Weight, Jr. @ Sunset & Hubler Ridge Road wants to create a new lot on the corner. Marion Township Planning Commission has 3 comments on this subdivision. Easement for water; Fee-In-Lieu money, Driveway access point and drainage. Fee-in-lieu is due, easement will be handled and the driveway access will be addressed and all will be recorded in the deed and will continue with the land. **Roan made a motion to adopt Resolution 2011-2 to amend the Act 537 Plan for Henry Weight, Jr. Subdivision. Aberegg 2nd Aberegg- Yes Gutshall – Yes Roan – yes**

Old Business:

1. Gutshall has completed the FEMA 100/700 courses for Marion Township
2. Discussion on WiFi into the Township Building. No action to be taken. Put info on this in the Newsletter and residence can respond if they desire a WiFi in the Township Bldg.

New Business:

1. Nittany Valley Joint Planning Commission (NVJPC) – Spring Township zoning change was discussed at January 20th meeting. Information was delivered to Marion Township Supervisors for their recommendation on the rezoning of the Tressler Tract by Glen O. Hawbaker. **Gutshall made motion that Marion Township agrees with the Spring Township Planning Commission decision to not rezone the Tressler Tract. Roan 2nd Aberegg- Yes Gutshall – Yes Roan – Yes.** McCauley mentioned that the NVJPC Comprehensive Plan did address certain issues being mentioned. County does not keep a record of the completion of the FEMA courses 100/700 on file; it is the responsibility of each individual. Roan discussed attendance at the MPO and CCMPO that was discussed at the meeting. If we want to be a member of the CCMPO and MPO all should attend these meetings to learn what is happening in the areas. Bellefonte Borough is upset with Marion Township as we did not ask for their support for any of this and they are being linked to Marion Township's membership request for CCMPO and MPO. Further discussion was brought on this matter and it is a courtesy to send into to the other members of the NVJPC.
2. Park & Rec – **Roan made a motion to recommend Randy Kellerman as a member of the Park and Rec committee. Aberegg 2nd Aberegg- Yes Gutshall – Yes Roan – Yes. (Sec will send a letter to Kellerman informing him of his acceptance and the meeting dates.)** Roan discussed the Lowell Hartzell invoice received of \$3,700. Invoice amount was lowered to \$2600.00. Roan and Aberegg discussed the invoice being turned over to our solicitor. Aberegg feels we should pay no more than \$1,000.00. **Aberegg made a motion to have our solicitor look over the original contract and give us an opinion on the course of action to be taken. Secretary is to send a letter to Lowell Hartzell and inform them that the matter is in the hands of our solicitor. Roan 2nd Aberegg- Yes Gutshall – Yes Roan - Yes**
3. Zoning Report for January 2011 – Aberegg was impressed with Zoning Officer's report and the handling of the issues from last month's meeting. **Roan made a motion that we give Tim \$.20 an hour raise. Aberegg 2nd Aberegg- Yes Gutshall – Yes Roan - Yes Aberegg made a motion to increase the Secretary/Treasurer's hourly rate by \$.20 per hour. Roan 2nd Aberegg – yes Gutshall – Yes Roan - Yes**
4. Planning Commission Minutes for January meeting – Discussed above with Stan Wallace.
5. Head Roadmaster Report – Co-Stars info for salt contract for Aug 2011 thru July 2012 must be submitted by March 15, 2011. Hold off till March meeting. Approval from County Commissioner for \$5,000.00 for the Sunset Drive repairs. Form MS 339 form was signed to be sent back to the County Commissioners. HRM report: In January the Marion Township employees spent 72 hours plowing and salting. In January they drove 913 miles plowing and salting. From January to September of 2010 the average monthly payroll was \$6,197.34. From

September thru December 2010 our monthly payroll was \$3,712.29. We have reduced the Marion Township monthly payroll by \$2,000.00 a month for the last 4 months. We have also drastically reduced the reimbursed mileage. We have had some discrepancies in time keeping that must be addressed. On January 11, 2011 from 5:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Gutshall and Dolan plowed snow. Only 1 truck was used. Vehicle Inspection Report was completed by Dolan for Unit #2. Gutshall stated he was driving Unit #2 and Dolan was driving Unit #1 and it broke down and they rode together for 45 minutes. Aberegg stated that no VIR was made out for Unit #1, notifying of a breakdown of equipment. Gutshall states he told Dolan to complete the paper work for Unit #2. Aberegg stated someone will not be paid for the 3.5 hours. Gutshall stated that the Unit #1 was driven for about 2.5 hours. Aberegg stated that the truck was not driven for that length of time. Truck was not driven but 6 miles from October 30, 2010 to January 11, 2011. Dolan was asked to attend the meeting but did not attend. Gutshall mixed salt on January 18th, 2011 and put the Unit #4 (backhoe) away without it being cleaned and an equipment repair report being completed. Aberegg has a listing of the responsibilities of Marion Township Roadmasters and laborers to be adhered to without exception. They will be posted in the garage for all employee to follow. **Aberegg made a motion that Roadmaster Gutshall and Roadmaster Dolan will be discharged at the very first discrepancy. Roan 2nd Aberegg- Yes Gutshall – No Roan – Yes** Gutshall will not be paid for 3.5 hours on his time sheet due to no report being completed by him. Discussion on paying employees for attending a meeting. If an employee is directed to attend a meeting he will be paid. Aberegg stated it is the same as when he informed Gutshall that there would be discussion about these items and does he want to discuss it now (privately) or at a public meeting. Gutshall choose the public meeting.

Roan attended the Roadmaster Round Table he will discuss the information with Jack. It was a very informative meeting.

6. Centre County Solid Waste Authority December report – FYI No action needed
7. County of Centre Planning & Community Dev Office letter of January 24, 2011 – Minor Subdivision Plan for Eddy S & Cheryl Watkins property with Municipal Response Request to be returned. See Stan Wallace comments under Public Comments above.
8. Strob Environmental Inc. letter of January 14, 2011 – FYI No action needed
9. Appeals Court denial of access to officials’ e-mail – FYI No action needed
10. Roan to discuss the Building Code meeting at Spring Township. - All were sent the e-mail with the documents attached. Proposed start up costs is \$267,882.00. Roan will keep attending these meetings to keep us on top of what is happening.
11. Clearwater Conservancy January 20, 2011 letter – FYI April 23 for Watershed Cleanup Day. We will donate a truck if needed. Secretary will call and inform them.
12. Decision whether to purchase the items for enclosing the pavilion at the Park. – Pavilion enclosure will be put out to bid in the spring. McCauley is to ask YBC for a donation of a pavilion. The residents who called in wanting to rent the pavilion for August will be called and told that the pavilion will be enclosed this spring.

Gutshall questioned the purchase of a lap top computer at a cost of \$500+. It was purchased under the Head Roadmaster’s expenses of \$1,000.00 to be used for reports, such as above items in the HRM reports.

Roan made a motion to approve the Treasurer’s report and approve all bills through February 8, 2011 paid or unpaid. Aberegg 2nd Aberegg- Yes Gutshall – Yes Roan – 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 is being presented for signatures at this meeting.) Checks listed above are from January 3, 2011 through February 3,2011. Check numbers and the amounts are on the listings and it will be included with the official minutes for filing.

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

General —	\$ 83,341.78	State Fund —	\$34,636.35
Park Fee-In-Lieu Account —	\$ 1,663.95	State Equipment —	-0-
Park Grant Account—	\$ 8,112.31		

Aberegg made a motion to adjourn the February 8, 2011 meeting at 8:16 p.m. All in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jack Aberegg, Chairman

Ellie Trulick
Secretary/Treasurer

Ray Gutshall, Vice Chairman

Kenneth L. Roan