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WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS
P O BOX 56 93 JONES STREET
LILLY, PA 15938

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Regular meeting call to order:

Chairman Raymond Guzic, Jr, Vice Chairman Leslie Devett, Supervisor Jaime Hartline, Engineer Richard Wray, Solicitor Thomas Swope and Secretary Pamela Flis.

Fran Risko, Scott Guzic, Patrick Shedlock, William Claar, Michelle Claar, Kathy Mellott and Justin Eger also attended the meeting.

Salute to the Flag:

Public Participation:

Patrick Shedlock request enforcements on littering throughout the Township and speeding along Blueberry Road, Mr. Shedlock has been picking up litter throughout the township.

Police Report:

Office Honeshell presented the November Police Report to the board, 11 calls were answered in Washington Township.

Cresson Township Police are hearing of the thefts throughout the township and other municipalities, these thefts are not being reported to the police and they should be. The police are hearing of these crimes through word of mouth.

Officer Honeshell is currently investigating a township fire that is suspected as arson.

As discussed the Fuchs fencing project along Farmers Turnpike, fencing is complete and 2 cars still need to be moved into the fenced area, the two vehicles reported earlier to be infested with bees. Cresson Township Police to make sure these cars are moved into the fenced area. Cresson Township Police to check on this matter.

Renter on Wood Street has complaints about his landlord and the ordinance violations, Cresson Township Police to investigate the matter, as well as the Cambria County Building Codes Enforcement Agency.

Secretarial Report:

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Motion made by Leslie Devett 2nd Jaime Hartline to accept the Minutes dated from November 4th, 2009, with corrections, Treasures Report, Unpaid Bills and Additional Unpaid Bills as submitted in written form. Roll call, All in favor, Motion passed.

Motion made by Leslie Devett 2nd Jaime Hartline to accept Resolution 4-2009 amending the original Ordinance to set the Municipal Fee at \$10.00 for the 2010 billing. Roll call, All in favor, Motion passed.

Motion made by Jaime Hartline 2nd Leslie Devett to make final payment on Loan # 729-23, and the closing of Savings Account # 24079 and Savings Account # 22277. Roll call, All in favor, Motion passed.

Motion made by Leslie Devett 2nd Jaime Hartline to accept the letter of correspondence to James Leahey of First National Bank of Lilly stating the closing of two savings accounts. Roll call, All in favor, Motion passed.

Motion made by Leslie Devett 2nd Jaime Hartline to ratify actions of advertising for certified public accountant to audit the Washington Township 2009 financial records, advertising of the budget and for advertising of a special meeting to be held on December 24th, 2009, for opening bids for CPA. Roll call, All in favor, Motion passed.

Correspondence:

FEMA/ Flood Program- Meeting December 3rd, 2009, Roadmaster to attend this meeting in preparation of the 10 year flood plains mapping (DFIRM) Digital Flood Insurance Rate Map and (NFIP) National Flood Insurance Program.

Comcast- Washington Township comparing prices with telephone and internet providers to help decrease office expenses.

Feasibility study from the Redevelopment Authority of Cambria County, for the provision of potable water connections and improvements in the Upper Dutchtown and Main Street Extension areas of the Township of Washington is being preformed.

Road Masters Report:

Monday December 7th, 2009: Meeting with Penn Dot Representative Michael Bowser, on to complete final paper work on the 2009 road paving project and to submit the township's application for county aid. Road milling and sealing has been completed on Memorial Drive.

Safety Committee:

Nothing at this time

Solicitors Report:

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All items have been covered under other discussions.

Gamesa Savings can be transferred into the General Fund.

As discussed: making the last payment of the 2006 road paving project to have this loan paid off before 2010.

As discussed the codification process of Washington Township's Ordinances and Resolutions, while reviewing the township noticed some out of order numbered Ordinances, the township supervisors wish to correct this error so future board members will not be confused that an Ordinance is missing. So Washington Township is re-naming:

Ordinance 2008-4 now known as 2008-3 Wind Turbines

Ordinance 4-2007 now known as 3-2007 Mutual Aid

Ordinance 5-2007 now known as 4-2007 Fireworks Display/Permit

Research concluded that no adopted ordinances were overlooked.

Motion made by Jaime Hartline 2nd Leslie Devett to rename Ordinances 2008-4 to 2008-3, 4-2007 to 3-2007 and 5-2007 to 4-2007. Roll call, All in favor, Motion passed.

No Ordinances numbers were changed to impact police policies, Keystate Publishers must be informed as part of the codification process.

PCSD: 120 Peach Lane no taxes are due on this property, a certification letter exempting Washington Township from taxes was correctly applied to the correct parcel.

Deed of dedication- solicitor is in the final stages for the proposed alley between Blueberry Road and Ryan Street, final signatures are being required, on completed Washington Township can finalize the dedication of an alley to the township.

As discussed: Delinquent Sanitation Customer

Motion made by Jaime Hartline 2nd Leslie Devett to allocate Solicitor Thomas Swope to file a municipal lien for unpaid sanitation delinquencies against 107 High Street, Lilly, PA 15938. Roll call, All in favor, Motion passed.

Engineers Report:

Ryan Street: Lilly Borough Water Authority is currently in the process of replacing water lines for borough customers. Roadmaster to work with LBWA and engineer to discuss water line placement to reach additional homes that expressed interest in tapping into public water supply. With any additional costs for water line placement will be covered by Washington Township, Roadmaster to report on line placement at the next scheduled meeting.

New Business:

Scanlon Hill Property- Apple Drive-Current owner has no interest in the property; the

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property has already gone through an Upset Sale. Washington Township has an interest in this property, there are currently three mortgage companies holding liens against the property.

Motion made by Jaime Hartline 2nd Leslie Devett to allow solicitor to include 153 Apple Drive in a request to the Tax Claim Bureau for the property to be included in a judicial sale. Roll call, All in favor, Motion passed.

The Washington Township Supervisors would like to address an article placed in the local paper regarding the purchase of a large tract of land and the indebtedness to township residents. Washington Township board would not take an action without public knowledge.

The landowner approached the Washington Township Supervisors about said property with all wishes from the landowner that the property remains as public use lands. This property surrounds $\frac{3}{4}$ of the proposed Regional Recreation Center; the Washington Township supervisors have been diligent in trying to find revenue resources to acquire this property through grants and various foundations willing to acquire the property for public use. One foundation would not allow the use of ATV vehicles; currently the Lilly Volunteer Fire Department uses this land for their fundraisers, even looking into keeping the property as public hunting lands. More investigation and research is required, the land owner has been very gracious with allowing the supervisors time to investigate funding resources, in the best interest of the township. The supervisors are still researching avenues for information purposes for funding, if funding is available this tract of land would be an asset to the township, the use of general funds or tax payers moneys will not be considered for use.

Old Business:

Codification- Meeting proposed with Kenneth Rotz, Keystate Publishers, to review draft codification, make any changes and prepare a final draft for adoption 2010.

Survey Washington Township Boundary Sign/Line – earlier this month Portage Township Supervisors and Washington Township Roadmaster, surveyor Fred Brown presented to both boards the mapping and surveying posts/marks to the best of his knowledge is true and correct. Documentation between township solicitors needed to implement and reestablish the township line between Portage Township and Washington Township boundaries. Pins have been placed along Route 53 and Benscreek Area. Guard rails/ roads will be painted to inform emergency services personnel where the boundary lines between WT and PT. With this boundary line changes it clears confusion there are no new property taxes or school district issues.

Barry Walters has contacted the township through the Roadmaster asking about the turnaround located on his private property. Washington Township no longer goes past the 1st turnaround located on Red Dog Lane; Mr. Walters's wishes to gate /fence the property off. Solicitor and Engineer reviewed the Walters property map, and found no problems with gating off of the property.

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Department of Emergency Services- Requesting municipalities to be more involved in the local emergency and fire services.

As discussed: Alarm Cards - The Washington Township Supervisors have researched time trials and personnel staffing between Portage ambulance Association and Cresson Ambulance Association. There was no notable difference between the two associations; the supervisors also contacted the Cambria County 911 Center for an updated copy of the alarm cards. On 9-17-2009 the alarm cards for Washington Township were changed without consent of the Washington Township Supervisors. Lilly Borough's alarm cards were changed by Kevin Hite, alarm card # 7201 carried over to Washington Township alarm card #7201-WT.

Motion made by Jaime Hartline 2nd Leslie Devett to compose and send a letter of correspondence to the Cambria County 911 Center inform the management that only the Washington Township Supervisors are permitted to authorize changes on Washington Township Alarm Card 7201-WT, only my motion of the board of supervisors. Roll call, All in favor, Motion passed.

Motion made Jaime Hartline 2nd Leslie Devett to make changes to the Washington Township alarm card 7201-WT, only after meeting with the Lilly Volunteer Ambulance Association. Roll call, All in favor, Motion passed.

Supervisor to meet with Lilly Area Ambulance Association for a discussion on the alarm cards.

The Washington Township Supervisors would like to thank Chris Cox, Manager of Portage ambulance association and James Effinger, Manager of the Cresson Ambulance Association for all their input on EMS services research provided to the supervisors. Cresson Ambulance Association has recently hired additional personnel from Lilly Borough and Washington Township.

Regional Recreation Center:

Regional Recreation Center: Still awaiting results for grant application.

Larry Custer- Redevelopment Authority -Brownsville- Environmental Study The first step to acquiring Brownsville funds is an environmental study on pollution. (Ex: paving of parking lot for the Regional Recreation Center).

Lilly Area Baseball Booster Association generous donated to the proposed Regional Recreation Center. LABBA has concerns if the grant is not awarded to Washington Township, for the proposed Regional Recreation Center, residents would like to continue on the Recreation Center with monies currently held by the supervisors for the Regional Recreation Center.

For The Good of the Township:

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Motion made by Jaime Hartline 2nd Leslie Devett to award James Salony of the Lilly-Washington Historic Association for The Award of Merit presented by the Pennsylvania Federation of Museums and Historical Organizations for the book entitled “ The Spirit of A Community”. Roll call, All in favor, Motion passed.

Additional Items:

Washington Township website manger reported to the supervisors that she will attend additional training for the new software that Cambria County has recently updated to, classes start mid-December and at that time Ms. Claar will update the web site www.washington-cmsa.com.

As discussed: The agreement of intent signed by Lilly Borough and the Dutchtown Maintenance Association and the Main street Extension, Washington Township Solicitor to contact Lilly Borough solicitor to discuss the agreement between the two entities. Washington Township would like to be kept informed on the authority and how it will impact future water delivery to township residents. Township supervisors concur that this agreement is a good thing; however have concerns of the authority operating within township boundaries, and any legal issues that may impact the township residents now and in the future.

Executive Session:

Executive Session Begins: 7:34
Executive Session Ends: 7:54

Adjournment:

Motion made by Raymond Guzic, Jr. 2nd Jaime Hartline to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 PM. All in favor, Motion passed.

Chairman- Raymond Guzic, Jr

Vice-Chairman, Leslie Devett

Supervisor, Jaime Hartline