Maidencreek Township Board of Supervisor Meeting
December 13, 2012 7:02 pm

Present: Claude Beaver, David Franke, Eugene Orlando, Jr. – Orlando Law Office, Tom Unger– Systems Design Engineering, Inc., Diane Hollenbach – Township Manager, Johanna Mattera – Recording Secretary.

Guests: Michael Wagner - Womelsdorf, Jim Fisher - Oley, Catrina Mackes - Mohrsville

Claude Beaver called the December 13, 2012 regular meeting of the Maidencreek Township Board of Supervisors to order at 7:02 pm in the Maidencreek Township Municipal Building.

MINUTES & FINANCES

Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by David Franke, seconded by Claude Beaver, to waive the reading of the minutes and approve minutes of the November 8, 2012 regular meeting. Hearing no questions on the motion, all members voted, "Aye". Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report and Bill List

A motion was made by David Franke, seconded by Claude Beaver, to approve the November 2012 Treasurer's Report and Bill List. Hearing no questions on the motion, all members voted, "Aye". Motion carried.

REPORTS

ENGINEER'S REPORT

Subdivision Review Status Checklist

Esbenshade Greenhouse Time Extension

A motion was made by David Franke, seconded by Claude Beaver, to accept the Developer's offer of a time extension until March 28, 2013 for the review of the Esbenshade Land Development Plan. Hearing no questions on the motion, all members voted, "Aye". Motion carried.

Custom Milling Warehouse

A motion was made by David Franke, seconded by Claude Beaver, to accept the Developer's offer of a time extension until March 6, 2013 for the review of the Custom Milling Warehouse Land Development Plan. Hearing no questions on the motion, all members voted, "Aye". Motion carried.

Trinity Bible Fellowship Church Project - Mr. Fisher of Trinity Bible Fellowship Church reviewed with the Board their current approved plan and the possibility of adding modular unit's to the site. Mr. Unger advised that the Planning Commission is okay with the concept as long as it does not exceed what is currently on the plan. The Board advised Mr. Fisher that the church could proceed with obtaining building and zoning permits but whatever is put in place must not exceed setbacks, storm water or parking requirements of the approved plan.

MUNICIPAL SOLICITOR

Lease with Maidencreek Township Authority – Tabled for January 2013 meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

MANAGERS REPORT - Ms. Hollenbach reviewed the report with the Board.

Park and Recreation- A ball field light and pole were damaged during Hurricane Sandy and will need to be replaced.

A motion was made by David Franke, seconded by Claude Beaver, to authorize the replacement of the ball field light and pole at the Blandon Ball Field at a cost not to exceed $6,417.20. Hearing no questions on the motion, all members voted, "Aye". Motion carried.

Truck #1 Tire replacement of four rear tires

A motion was made by David Franke, seconded by Claude Beaver, to purchase four tires at a cost not to exceed $332.00 each. Hearing no questions on the motion, all members voted "Aye". Motion carried.

Ms. Hollenbach advised the Board that she has began writing her daily, monthly and annual job duties and beginning in January 2013, the Road Crew will have monthly goals to attain.

RESOLUTIONS & ORDINANCES

2013 Budget

Ms. Hollenbach advised the Board that the Township did not received the Police 2013 Budget until December 13, 2013. The Township returned the budget back to the police and requested that they reduce their budget by $157,000. The Township also requested that a police officer be present at this evening's meeting. The Board was advised that there has been no tax increase for 12 years and the reserve has been depleted. The Board voiced their concerns that if the police cannot reduce their budget or if there is a severe winter, there is no room in the budget to accommodate for the additional expenditures. Ms. Hollenbach advised the Board that they may increase the 2013 budget by 10% without re-advertising.

The Tax Collector also requested an increase in her pay rate. The Board advised the Township Manager to look into possibilities. Mrs. Hassler had not seen an increase in at least sixteen years.

Resolution #33-2012 – Fixing the Tax Rate for the Year 2013

A motion was made by David Franke, seconded by Claude Beaver, to adopt Resolution #33-2012 – Fixing the Tax Rate for the Year 2013 with a tax rate to .0015 mills. Hearing no questions on the motion, all members voted, "Aye". Motion carried.

Resolution #34-2012 – 2013 Budget

A motion was made by David Franke, seconded by Claude Beaver, to adopt Resolution #34-2013 - 2013 Budget with changes made to line 4 and line 16. Hearing no questions on the motion, all members voted, "Aye". Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business.

NEW BUSINESS

The Board went into executive session at 7:57 pm to discuss personnel issues and real estate, and returned at 9:35 pm.

Personnel Issues

A motion was made by David Franke, seconded by Claude Beaver, to have the Township Manager handle the two personnel issues as instructed in executive session. Hearing no questions on the motion, all members voted, "Aye". Motion carried.

Appraisals on two different properties

A motion was made by David Franke, authorizing the Township Manager to get appraisals on two different properties in order to seek out information on a grant. Mr. Franke amended the motion to have the appraisals not to exceed $1,500 each. Mr. Beaver seconded the motion. Hearing no questions on the motion, all members voted, "Aye". Motion carried.

Since there was no further business, a motion was made by David Franke, seconded by Claude Beaver, to adjourn the December 13, 2012 meeting of the Maidencreek Township Board of Supervisors. Hearing no questions on the motion, all members voted "Aye". Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:37 pm.

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Recording Township Secretary, December 13, 2012

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Township Secretary, December 13, 2012

Cc: Board of Supervisors
Eugene Orlando, Solicitor
Thomas Unger, Systems Design Engineering, Inc., Township Engineer
Planning Commission
Park & Recreation Board
Zoning Hearing Board and Alternates
Maidencreek Township Authority
Patrick Donovan, Maidencreek Township Authority General Manager
JoAnn Schaeffer, Maidencreek Township Authority Secretary
Robert Hobaugh, Jr. Esq., Stevens & Lee, Authority Solicitor
Greg Unger, Systems Design Engineering, Inc., Authority Engineer
Barbara Hassler, Tax Collector
Daniel Miller, Blandon Fire Company Chief
Chief Scott W. Eaken, Northern Berks Regional Police