

The monthly meeting of the Highland Township Board of Supervisors took place on Tuesday April 12, 2016 with supervisors Scott, Alexander and Fredd present.

Chairman Scott called the meeting to order. The minutes of the March meeting were read. Bo motioned to approve the minutes as read, Tom Fredd seconded, all in favor.

Police report – none, they were unable to attend.

Zoning – Bo read the report in Bill's absence. There were 4 building permits issued and 1 is pending. Bill met with Chief Sheller at 4 Friendship Church Rd. about continuing issues on the property. We received a notice from DEP, see attached.

The proposed minutes of the Planning Commission were read.

Road report – Tom Scott contacted Signal Service, as the traffic light at Highland Rd. is now the township's responsibility. A generator has been purchased to operate the light when needed. The tractor was serviced, the hydraulic line needs to be re-routed. Tom did the required sign inventory. Dave Herr asked about the signs at Limestone and Racetrack roads, Tom informed him that they are state roads. More grading has been done on Five Point Rd, the benches at the ball field have been rebuilt, some fencing also needs replaced. Tom measured for oil and chip and roads to scratch pave, from Tom's measurements it would cost approximately \$75,000 for oil and chip and \$30,000 for scratch paving.

Legal report – Solicitor Legg reported on the bridge on Old Limestone Rd., the insurance company declined to attend the inspection but would like a copy of the report. The stormwater BMP agreement has been signed by the Kings. The proposed Zoning Ordinance change will be discussed later.

Emergency Mgmt report – Jerry said it has been pretty quiet. There have been a few automatic fire alarms and a minor woods fire. There is an upcoming meeting with neighboring municipalities to discuss pooling resources. There is also an upcoming meeting with the county regarding the addressing of Friends Meetinghouse Rd.

New business – Jim Lantz requested permission to erect a tent for a tent meeting, similar to last year. It would take place during the month of July. The supervisors had no issues with such, Jerry asked that the tent be properly staked down, Jim assured him it would be.

Landis Reid thanked Tom for cleaning up the tires that had been on the side of the road. Jerry mentioned the Zika virus, and the need to be vigilant about standing water in places such as tires. Dave Herr asked Roger about the PC change, and complained that there was no agricultural representation on the committee.

Chris King asked about his signed plans. Judy Noyales has to sign them first, which she will do first thing tomorrow morning.

March Walsh asked if Dave Lantz could notify someone when the turkeys would be moved so as Jason Dalessio could plan accordingly for his horses. Bo will contact Dave to find out, and let Jason know.

Solicitor Legg distributed the Zoning Ordinance changes, Proposed Ordinance 2016-3 would repeal portions of the 2005 Zoning Ordinance, changing how Agricultural activities are regulated in the Ag Preservation and Rural Conservation districts and prohibiting such in the Rural Village districts. The statutes related to the Agricultural amendments have been approved by the Attorney General and

Board of Supervisors, as well as the Chester County and Highland Township Planning Commissions. There are basically 3 options at this point: 1-tell the Attorney General NO

2-adopt the Zoning Ordinances as changed

3-adopt at another time

Bo suggested waiting until next month to adopt.

Doug Lapp Jr. asked about the reduction of 25 acres to 10 acres. Barb will email him the proposed ordinance changes.

Old business – Tom Fredd asked about the SPCA. Bo spoke with them today. The limited contract is \$1100/year + \$300/animal, the full service contract is \$1600/year + 150/animal. If someone picks up the animal, \$100 is refunded. With the full service contract, they will come out to settle disputes between neighbors. It was asked, what obligation do we have to have any contract with them? Roger will check into it.

Bo asked about the audit findings. Roger will review the report.

The bills were read. Bo motioned to pay the bills, Tom Fredd seconded, all were in favor. The checks were reviewed, and signed, as were the reports.

Tom Scott motioned to adjourn the meeting, Bo seconded, all in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 9:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Barb Davis, Secretary/Treasurer