

The monthly meeting of the Highland Township Board of Supervisors took place on Tuesday August 9, 2016 with supervisors Scott, Alexander, & Fredd present.

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

The proposed minutes of the Planning Commission were read.

Police report – there were 111 incidents, 8 traffic citations, 942 miles and 80 hours were logged. \$1500.18 was collected in fees. It was reported that there have been a number of car break-ins in Highland and W. Fallowfield townships. The burglary at the Coates house last year lifted a finger print but it has come back that there was no match.

The Lantz' turkey load out was brought up. It is to be at the end of August sometime, Bo will find out and let us know the specific date once it has been established, so that interested parties can be notified.

Arnette Lewis, daughter of long-time township residents, Charles & Arnette Murray was present to discuss a possible home daycare. She is currently caring for her parents which requires around the clock care. This has necessitated her quitting her job to move in with them to provide the care they need. This has caused a financial hardship and she would like to open a daycare in the home to provide additional income. She has completed the Zoning Hearing Board application but is requesting a fee waiver. Solicitor Legg said it has never been requested before so be have no precedence on which to base it. Bo asked if it was a low impact home based business, it would be. Roger explained that the fee is set to cover the cost of advertising and the court reporter. He said that because the fee was adopted by resolution, a resolution could be made to withdraw the fee in this case. Bo motioned to waive the fee, Tom Scott seconded. Tom Fredd asked if this would start a precedence. Solicitor Legg explained that the question could be answered both yes and no. All were in favor of waiving the fee, motion carried. Arnette asked if a street sign could be posted at the end of Murray Drive. Tom Scott said we have the sign and it will be erected soon. He would also like to post a no outlet sign.

Zoning – there were 0 building permits issued for the month, and none are pending, there was 1 stormwater permit issued, 1 junkyard license renewal and 1 mobile home park license renewal. Inspections will be done this week. Total fees collected were \$766.00 Bill reported that he attended a FEMA meeting with Roger on July 22. Bill stated that he is waiting for 1 letter to finish the 537 plan.

Road report – Tom reported that they are finishing up with boom mowing and will be switching back to regular mowing soon. Fernwood Bridge repair is to take place the week of August 22. Scratch paving is done and they are ready to do oil & chip. Tom eliminated one road from his list to oil and chip because scratch paving was a little higher than anticipated. Ben Burkhart is going to re-work North Five Points Rd before they oil and chip it. Oil & chip is scheduled to start the week of August 22 also.

Emergency Management – Jerry reported that it has remained pretty quiet, other than a couple of tree issues. He has also attended training.

Legal report – Solicitor Legg reported that he spoke to the claims adjuster about the Limestone Road Bridge, they are getting an engineer to review it. The floodplain ordinance needs to be redone before next June, and be approved by FEMA. Iron Springs property planning module – he sees no problem with

it. In regards to the Runnymede Sanctuary tax exemption, we need to agree to it, so Roger prepared the document.

Bo asked about the Sterling Act and its' implications. Roger explained that it is asking the state to change the law. If we chose to do so, we would be supporting other municipalities even if it didn't benefit us. It would take tax away from Philadelphia.

Bill mentioned that he had gotten an email to attend Landscapes as the Ag representative. Bo volunteered to be the representative.

Old business – Tom Fredd mentioned the website, he and Barb will be meeting with the proposed designer tomorrow at 3 pm.

New business – Bender sub-division – Brian from Register was present representing the Bender's. The Farm is in Ag preserve except for the piece they wish to sub-divide for their retirement house. The County, the Township Engineer, the Township Planning Commission have all reviewed the plans and waivers being requested. Brian reviewed the waivers, see attached. Bo motioned to approve, Tom Fredd seconded, all were in favor.

Solicitor Legg presented the Resolution regarding the Runnymede Trust tax appeal. Tom Scott motioned to sign the resolution, Bo seconded, all in favor.

The Bills were read. Bo motioned to pay the bills, Tom Fredd seconded. Bill and reports were reviewed and signed.

Roger suggested looking into PLIGIT for an interest earning account.

Tom Scott mentioned that he would like to have some revisions made to the equipment shed.

The Bender plans were signed.

Tom Fredd motioned to adjourn, Bo seconded, all were in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 9:22 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Barb Davis, Secretary/Treasurer