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MINUTES OF OCTOBER 8, 2012

The October 8, 2012 meeting of the Madison Township Supervisors was called to order by Glenn Titman at 7:00 PM. Attending were, Glenn Titman, Claire Swartz, Michelle Densberger, Nancy Welliver, Connie Crawford, Gary Williams, Mary Shade, Andria Lamay, Sue Giberson, Ted Stout, and Peggy Long

RECOGNITION OF GUESTS

Mary Shade reported Engle Road is really in bad shape. The road is all mud and seem like someone had poured oil over it. Glenn Titman noted they had put 2 RC down but the rain has wasted it out. They will continue to work on it.

MINUTES

Peggy Long presented the minutes of September 10, 2012 meeting.

Michelle Densberger made a motion to accept the minutes of September 10, 2012. Claire Swartz seconded the motion. Motion carried.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

The financial statements and bills list were reviewed.

Claire Swartz made a motion to approve the financial reports and to pay bills as presented. Bills paid from General Fund were \$11,017.85. Bills paid from Liquid Fuel Fund were \$5,966.49. Bills paid during the month from the General Fund totaled \$157.37. Densberger seconded the motion. Motion carried.

POLICE REPORT

Chief Stout reported on the Methamphetamine Awareness Training being offered for free. He recommended the street department workers attend the class. Glenn Titman said he will be attending. Michelle Densberger said if the workers want to attend they could leave work early to compensate for the time at the meeting.

MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY

Nancy Welliver reported the Authority will raise the sewer rates to \$42.00 a month starting with the 4th quarter billing.

Sue Giberson has agreed to replace Andria Lamay on the Municipal Sewer Authority Board. *Michelle Densberger made a motion to replace Andria Lamay with Sue Giberson on the Municipal Sewer Authority Board. Glenn Titman seconded the motion. Motion carried.*

PLANNING COMMISSION

Michelle Densberger reviewed the request for Madison Township to sign off on the DEP module for the Lawton sub-division. She explained the actual work would be in Hemlock Township and would not affect our Township.

Michelle Densberger made a motion to sign off on the DEP module for the Lawton subdivision. Claire Swartz seconded the motion. Motion carried.

TRANSFER TAX REPORT

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SEO REPORT

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PERMIT OFFICER REPORT

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ORDINANCE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

None

ROAD MASTER REPORT

A written report was included with the agenda as to what was done during the month.

Glenn Titman noted he does not work every day and when he does he only works when there is work. He reported the Deihl Road project cost was about \$6,469.79. Michelle Densberger noted that was a lot less than the Penn Dot estimate of \$100,000.00.

OLD BUSINESS

Michelle Densberger reviewed both of the employee hand books, one that Jim Hilner gave her and the one the Township recently adopted. There was no mention for personal days in either and there are no part time employees that are eligible for half of their health care coverage. Claire Swartz felt now it the time to change the policy.

Michelle Densberger made a motion to eliminate the clause that allowed for part time employees to get 50% of their health insurance paid for. There will no longer be any coverage for part time employees. Claire Swartz seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Secretary stated she has a schedule that computed employee holidays, vacations, personal days, and sick days. Supervisors will review before they make a decision on the personal days.

Glenn Titman spoke to John Nichols about the used furnace and found out it was new in 1997. John also thought that to run duck work from the existing furnace would be too far and the air would cool down till it get where it is needed. Claire Swartz thought you could probable buy a new furnace for \$1,200.00 to \$1,600.00 but that would not include installation. Michelle Densberger feels it would be better, in the long run, to purchase a new furnace.

Glenn Titman said John will attend our meeting in November.

Supervisors would like to get another quote for the radios. Secretary will call Brenda Romally, at the 911 center. Also try to Google.

NEW BUSINESS

Michelle made a motion to advertise the 2013 Budget work secession for Monday, October 15, and Tuesday, October 16, at 6:00 PM at the Millville Borough Office. Claire Swartz seconded the motion. Motion carried.

A letter from Penn Dot advising the emergency work on the Chillisquaque Bridge is now completed.

A letter from EXCO Resources to advise they have applied to DEP for a permit to drill a gas well. The actual location will be in Franklin Township. No action on our part is required.

Commissioners of Columbia County are requesting municipalities adopt the Regional Solid Waste Management Plan for Columbia County.

Michelle Densberger made a motion to adopt Resolution #10082012 that adopts the Regional Solid Waste Management Plan for Columbia County. Glenn Titman seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Brian and Nancy Leighow have requested forgiveness on the roll-back taxes from the Clean and Green Program for the one acre of land they are giving the Emanuel Dutch Hill Bible Church to be used as a parking area. Under the preferential assessment of farmland and forest land under the Clean and Green act Chapter 137b.74. option to accept or forgive roll-back taxes in certain instances. (7) A religious organization, if the religious organization uses the land only for construction or regular use as a Church, Synagogue or other place of worship, including meeting facilities, parking facilities, housing facilities and other facilities which further the religious purposes of the organization. Connie Crawford, Township Tax Collector, noted it would be less than \$8.00. *Michelle Densberger made a motion to forgive the roll-back taxes on Brian and Nancy Leighow's acre of land they are donating the Emanuel Dutch Hill Bible Church. Glenn Titman seconded the motion. Motion carried.*

Claire Swartz asked what the Supervisors would like to do on Cross Road. Michelle Densberger noted the traffic is terrible and the truck speed right down through and don't stop at the stop sign. You would also be able to see better if the one entrance is eliminated. Penn Dot has given their approval for us to close that section. We will have to advertise in two different areas for 30 days. We will also have to erect proper signs to notify motorist. *Claire Swartz made a motion to close one entrance to Cross Road on the West end. Glenn Titman seconded the motion. Michelle Densberger abstained.*

CORRESPONDENCE

FOR THE GOOD OF THE TOWNSHIP

Nancy Welliver asked if there is any progress in getting the roof repaired at the Community Center. The roof has to be fixed now. Claire Swartz will contact Mark Ernest to come look at the roof. There was discussion that there is some type of liquid sealer that may work.

Nancy Welliver reported the door is here but there was a problem with the glass.

ADJOURNMENT

Michelle Densberger made a motion to adjourn at 8:05 PM. Claire Swartz seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Long
Secretary/Treasurer