

CHESTNUTHILL TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS
ROUTE 715, BRODHEADSVILLE, PA 18322
MINUTES OF MEETING – JUNE 15, 2004

A regular meeting of the Chestnuthill Township Board of Supervisors was called to order at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 15, 2004, at the Municipal Building, Rte 715, Brodheads-ville. Those present were Chuck Gould (Chairman), Maureen Tatu (Vice-Chair), Super-visor Leigh Kane and Atty. Joseph P. McDonald, Jr. In addition, joining the Board was Boy Scout Derrick McHugh who is working on his communication badge.

The **Pledge of Allegiance** to the Flag was led by Derrick McHugh.

Executive Session. Was held on 6/1/04 for pending litigation.

Unit Care Agreement. None.

Public Comment. None.

Minutes. On motion made by Maureen, seconded by Leigh it was voted to approve the minutes of the June 1, 2004 meeting, as distributed. (3-0)

Correspondence.

America's Town Meeting. 2004 Legislative and Educational Conference held in Wash-ington, DC September 8-10, 2004. Maureen asked the Board if she could attend on be-half of Chestnuthill Township. The cost would be approximately \$632.00. On motion made by Chuck, seconded by Leigh it was voted to approve this conference. (3-0)

Monroe County Conservation District. A letter to the Board regarding Dry Hydrants. This was sent to all the fire companies in Monroe County. On motion made by Chuck, sec-onded by Maureen it was voted to pass along to the fire department and if they are inter-ested, one supervisor will sign off on the paperwork. (3-0)

West End Little League. A letter from the Monroe County Conservation District has been received regarding the review of the plan for the league ball-field on Kennel Road. We will keep it on file. If it is necessary for the Roadmaster and the Engineer to meet on this issue on site for a conference, on motion made by Chuck, seconded by Leigh it was voted to approve this. (3-0)

DCED. A close out letter had been received from DCED for the \$20,000.00 grant we had previously received.

Council of Governments. The monthly minutes have been received; they are available for all to read.

Roadmaster.

Penn-Dot Agility Agreement. This is an agreement between Penn-Dot and Chestnuthill Township to do work for each other from time to time if necessary. On motion made by Leigh, seconded by Maureen, it was voted to approve this agreement, and Resolution 04-12; pending information from our insurance agency that our insurance extends to work on state roads. (3-0)

Overtime Request. Joe Weston, Roadmaster has asked the Board to approve overtime of 10 hours a week for each man for approximately 6 weeks, not to exceed 60 hours for each man in a 6 week period so they can meet their deadlines building Christopher Lane. The total cost of overtime will be \$14,203.80. On motion made by Maureen, seconded by Leigh it was voted to approve this request. (3-0)

Planning Director.

Growing Greener letter of Support and Resolution. Growing Greener is a 4-year initiative financed in part by an \$800 million bond that legislators can put on the ballot and voters must approve. A trash tax would pick up most of the tab for Growing Greener. As a result, the cost to the average residential family member would be around \$5.00 a year, not a bad price to pay for creating new jobs, improving cities, main streets, and state parks and cleaning up abandoned and polluted industrial sites. A lengthy discussion ensued. On motion made by Leigh, seconded by Maureen it was voted to approve and sign Resolution 04-13 along with the letters of support. (3-0)

Well Bids. We had asked for well bids for the park when we bid the electric underground utilities, however, we did not receive any. We are in the process of obtaining faxed and telephonic quotes. The Board will call a special meeting on June 21, 2004 at 8:00 a.m. to discuss and possibly award the well bid. (3-0)

Old Business.

Repository Bids. This repository bid has been in front of the Board for approximately one year. This 8.75 ac parcel tax ID # 02/2/2/54 was sold by the Tax Claim Bureau for \$600.00. Less than a year ago, the Board talked with the Monroe County Commissioners to eliminate these properties existence. The Township would buy each property for \$100.00, and clean them up. The Board agreed to approve this pending bid as it was received before the meeting with the Commissioners, however, the Board felt they should not approve anymore repository bids until they meet with the Commissioners and come up with a viable solution. On motion made by Chuck, seconded by Maureen it was voted to approve the repository bid sale on parcel tax ID #02/2/2/54. (2-0) Leigh abstained as the title company she works for did work for parties involved.

Building Code – Election Form. A form must be submitted to Labor and Industry to opt-in to the Uniform Building Code. We passed the ordinance last September, however, this form was not sent in. On motion made by Maureen, seconded by Leigh it was voted to approve and sign this form. (3-0)

New Business.

Officer Phil safety program donation. This program is a bridge to help us reach our children, to instill a responsible level of positive attitudes and safety awareness. The ingredients of this program accents our already established DARE program through animated presentations, informative books and work projects as directed by our area teachers, parents and law enforcement. On motion made by Maureen, seconded by Leigh it was voted to take a ½-page advertisement for \$499.00 for the safety program. (3-0)

Bills. On motion made by Maureen, seconded by Leigh it was voted to approve the General Fund bills. (3-0)

Plans. None.

Whispering Woods. Bill Hopkins was present to ask the Board for conditional approval on the acceptance of the roads in Whispering Woods, which is approximately 2+ miles. After a brief discussion, on motion made by Chuck, seconded by Maureen it was voted to conditionally approve providing the guide rail be removed from lots 43 and 63 by the end of the month (June 04) and the Engineering review is complete and approved, and in compliance with the last addendum agreement. (3-0)

Future Consideration. Maureen asked the Board if they would consider renaming Christopher Lane to Ronald Regan Way. In honor of our recently passing president.

Adjournment. There being no further business, on motion made by Chuck, seconded by Leigh it was voted to adjourn into executive session for a pending litigation matter. (3-0)

Respectfully submitted,

Cathy A. Baker
Recording Secretary