



SHOHOLA TOWNSHIP

Board of Supervisors

George C. Fluhr, Gregory P. Hoeper, Keith W. Raser
Municipal Building
159 Twin Lakes Road
Shohola PA 18458

May 12, 2016

ATTENDANCE:

- Supervisors; Chairman George C. Fluhr, Vice-Chair Gregory Hoeper, Supervisor, Keith Raser, Secretary, Diana Blume and Solicitor, Jason Ohliger and all other on the attached list.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER at 7:30pm

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- **Motion** to approve Minutes of the regular meeting of the Board on April 14, 2016, made by, **Vice-Chair Hoeper, second by Supervisor Raser, motion carried.**

APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURES:

- **Motion** to approve expenditures as listed for April 2016, made by, **Vice-Chair Hoeper, second by Supervisor Raser, motion carried.**

APPROVAL OF TREASURERS REPORT:

- **Motion** to approve Treasurer's Report for April 2016, **made by Vice-Chair Hoeper, second by Supervisor Raser, motion carried.**

PLANNING COMMISSION:

- Peter Wulforst commented that the Planning Committee as well as the Board attended a Banquet where the Planning Committee received an award for Outstanding Community Achievement. He went on to acknowledge the fact that they have received two other awards; one from the New York State Senator and the other from the New York State Assembly for Outstanding Community Achievement.
- **Motion** to set compensation for each member of the Planning Committee for year to date, 2016, at a rate of \$100.00 each. Compensation to be paid in the form of a gift certificate in that amount to the restaurant of each member's choice within Shohola Township, **made by Vice-Chair Hoeper, second by Supervisor Raser, motion carried.**

SOLICITORS REPORT

- Joe Zenes Right to Know appeal - **Motion** to go into executive session made by **Chairman Fluhr, second by Supervisor Raser, at 7:36pm. Motion carried.**

Meeting reconvened at 7:40pm.

- **Trails End Screened Enclosures:** Trails End attended the meeting of the Board on April 12, 2016 to ask that the Zoning Ordinance be amended to accommodate residents in Trails End to erect screened enclosures since the revised Zoning Ordinance was not what they expected. The Supervisors recommended Trails End to go back to the Planning Committee for their consideration. Trails End Attorney Richard Henry along with various other members of their Board attended the Planning Committee meeting on April 21st. The Planning Committee decided to proceed with screened enclosures under the Building Code where they will be subject to apply for a building permit, zoning permit and inspections. Trails End was satisfied with that result and so was the Planning Committee. It was a straight forward and satisfactory conclusion to this issue. Decks are subject to the Settlement Stipulation already in place and subject to the current Zoning Ordinance. The Board will have to set a fee for the Zoning Permit for Decks only.

- The permitting fee for the screened enclosures should fall under the Zoning fee for a structural change/addition which is \$100.00 for the Zoning Permit.
- Deck fees should be researched to accommodate inspections since building code does not apply and a combination inspection will be required for the building and zoning.
- Applications can be made immediately.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The Park & Recreation Committee will be hosting Cleanup Day, this Saturday, May 14th from 8:00am to 3:00pm at the Township Building. Please check the Township website for details or go to Rohman Park on Facebook.
- Shohola Boy Scout Troop #76 will be hosting their 5th 5K Run in conjunction with this year's Pumpkins in the Park on October 15, 2016. They are looking for sponsors and runners. For more information, please see the Township Secretary.

OLD BUSINESS:

- **Paving Bids:** Only two companies submitted bids for the paving projects, Wayco and E.R. Linde:

Little Walker Road:

Wayco Bid: \$46,238.27 E.R. Linde \$43,449.00

Shohola Falls: 875

Wayco Bid: \$23,905.96 E.R. Linde \$22,816.00

Shohola Falls: 1310

Wayco Bid: \$38,912.00 E.R. Linde \$34,165.00

Shohola Falls: 905

Wayco Bid: \$27,494.28 E.R. Linde \$24,288.00

Lake 567

Wayco Bid: \$31,057.37 E.R. Linde \$30,383.00

Lake 477

Wayco Bid: \$27,588.69 E.R. Linde \$40,199.00

Chris Road

Wayco Bid: \$3235.114 E.R. Linde \$1860.00

Motion to award Bid for Lake Road and Chris Road to Wayco, made by Vice-Chair Hoepfer, second by Supervisor Raser, motion carried.

Motion to award Bid for two sections of Shohola Falls Road; 1. 875 and 905 to Linde, made by Vice-Chair Hoepfer, second by Supervisor Raser, motion carried.

- **Grading Bids**

Little Walker Grading and Rolling of 2.4 miles

Ciccione Bid: \$9000.00 Fuhse Excavating \$6750.00 Robert Schmidt \$5300.00

Lee Road Grading and Rolling of .84 miles

Ciccione Bid: \$5000.00 Fuhse Excavating \$2350.00 Robert Schmidt \$2230.00

3.5 Miles of Road combined in one project for 9 Roads:

Ciccione Bid: \$10,000.00 Fuhse Excavating \$6250.00 Robert Schmidt \$6500.00

Motion to award bids to Robert Schmidt to Grade Little Walker Road and Lee Road, made by Vice-Chair Hoepfer, second by Supervisor Raser, motion carried.

Motion to award bid to Fuhse Excavating for the remaining 3.5 miles of 9 roads, made by Vice-Chair Hoepfer, second by Supervisor Raser, motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Boy Scouts Troop #76 Requesting letter of support from Township to hold their 5K Run on October 15, 2016. **Motion to write letter of support to Penn DOT, made by Chairman Fluhr, second by Supervisor Raser, motion carried.**

- Council Of Government Membership – **Motion** to join COG for \$100.00 per year, **made by Supervisor Raser, second by Chairman Fluhr, motion carried.**
- 119 Samantha Lane – Home in Sagamore Estates is falling down. Letter to the property owners has been sent to address the issue. Chief Carney will be notified to go out to the property to address the situation. No formal action taken.

CORRESPONDENCE

- **Byron Miller – Letter to request Wavier of Ordinance #59.** – Application for the Well Permit should be submitted to the Zoning Officer. This application will be addressed through the normal course. No formal action taken.

REPORTS TO THE BOARD

- Police - Report Attached
- Zoning/Sewage - 11 Zoning permit and 5 Sewage Permit issued in April.
- Building Permits - 1 Residential Building permit issued in April.
- Road Department – doing ditch work, shoulders and maintenance on Trucks.
- Park Committee – reiterated the announcement on Cleanup day.
- Fire Department – No report.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

- **Shirley Masuo** – directed her comment to Vice-Chair Hoeper and Chairman Fluhr why they voted to approve the Treasurer’s Report with an obvious error. **Chairman Fluhr** stated that they will exercise their right to answer her during Supervisors Comments under the line item on the Agenda, if they chose to do so. Mrs. Masuo further commented that she believes an alternate Secretary would be beneficial in the absence of the Township Secretary in order to take notes at the Board meetings.
- **Carrie Thomas** – commented that she finds it hard to believe that Public Comment does not include a response from the Board. **Solicitor Ohliger** addressed her point, stating that the Supervisors are not under any legal obligation to respond. Ms. Thomas further comments that the Supervisors should not have approved the report since it was a simple error and easy to detect. She stressed her concern that motions are being passed without proper review of the documents. She urged the Board to take their jobs seriously.

- **SUPERVISORS COMMENTS:**

Supervisor Raser, made a comment that at the last meeting he was able to take proper notes, and two recordings were made of the proceedings in order for the Secretary to transcribe the minutes. He further commented that the error was a simple error on the Treasurer’s report by simply placing the numbers on the wrong line.

Motion to adjourn made by Supervisor Raser, second by Vice-Chair Hoeper, motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Diana Blume
Township Secretary