

**MARCH 5, 2012 SUPERVISORS' MEETING:**

The Straban Township Board of Supervisors met this date, as publicly advertised, at 7:00 p.m. in the meeting room of the Straban Township Municipal Building, 1745 Granite Station Road, Gettysburg, PA 17325 with Board Chair Sharon Hamm presiding. Others in attendance were: Supervisors Tony Sanders and Fred Kammerer; Solicitor Walton V. Davis; Jon Kilmer, Engineer; Mark Walde, Road Master; George Mauser, Recreation and Parks Chairman; and Secretary Robin Crushong.

Others in attendance were: News Reporters Jarred Hedes (*Gettysburg Times*), Lawrence and Sandy Martin; Peg Strayer; Christina Simpson; Riley and Mary Redding; Roy Weaner; and News Reporter Tim Prudente (Evening Sun).

Board Chair Hamm led everyone with the Pledge to the Flag.

- Chair Hamm informed the residents present of the next scheduled meetings: Board of Supervisors meeting on April 2, 2012; Planning Commission meeting on March 28, 2012; Recreation Board meeting on March 19, 2012. The other meetings that took place in February were February 9, 2012 with the Commonwealth Code Enforcement Officer, Clem Malot; February 20, 2012 with Clem Malot & Jim Fox to discuss the Special Event permit for the 2012 Gettysburg Reenactment; and February 27, 2012 for a workshop of the Board of Supervisors.

**Public Comment:**

1. Riley Redding: Historic Preserve – how long has the plan been in review stage? How many extensions? Mr. Kilmer explained that the plan was dated January 2, 2008. There has been no approval at all on the plan. The extensions were mostly due to working with Gettysburg Municipal Authority (GMA) with water issues. In September 2011 a six (6) month extension was granted until March 2012 with substantial changes needed in order to get another extension. Mr. Riley stated that this plan has had four (4) years of extensions and that this is a very long time. He would like to see that this plan get no more extensions.
2. Christina Simpson – 619 Good Intent Road – she was here on behalf of her parents who are adjoining property owners to the Historic Preserve project and objects to more extensions for Historic Preserve
3. Riley Redding: Good Intent Road has poor drainage. Since Mark Walde is here this evening, Mr. Redding wanted to point out that draining needs done on this road. Mr. Redding asked Mr. Walde when any work was done to Good Intent Road. Mr. Walde indicated that it was paved about twelve (12) years ago. Mr. Walde indicated that there were plans for doing grading work this year with surrounding townships.

**Minutes:**

Mr. Sanders moved, seconded by Mr. Kammerer, to approve the February 6, 2012 minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

**Approve Bills:**

Mr. Sanders moved, seconded by Mr. Kammerer, to approve the February 9, 2012; February 23, 2012; and March 1, 2012 bills for payment. Motion carried unanimously.

### Office Administrator's Statement:

1. Cunningham zoning amendment request – the Board of Supervisors, Planning Commission, Adams County Office of Planning & Development and our Zoning Officer were all against the zoning amendment request. Ms. Hamm requested that the Board of Supervisors do one (1) of two (2) things; 1) have a meeting with Mr. Henry Heiser; or 2) have the Township Solicitor write a letter to Henry Heiser indicating that the Township is not interested in this zoning amendment. **Mr. Kammerer moved, seconded by Mr. Sanders to have the Solicitor prepare a letter to Mr. Heiser indicating that the Township was not interested in this zoning amendment. With no further discussion, motion carried unanimously.**
2. A new printer and typewriter are needed for the Township office. The office staff have been looking into the best option for longevity of the product and overall cost.
3. Sent an email to Dan Wilkinson and Frank Pennings indicating we are setting aside the Property Maintenance Ordinance and if we revisit the ordinance we will contact them so they have input.
4. Ms. Hamm informed the public that Mr. Sanders and Mr. Kammerer have been attending the Board of Supervisors seminar at Pennsylvania State Association of Township Supervisors (PSATS) this past weekend and the weekend coming. She thanked Mr. Sanders and Mr. Kammerer for doing this.

### Reports:

#### Recreation:

Mr. George Mauser, Chair of the Park and Recreation Advisory Board submitted the March 5, 2012 Recreation Advisory Board Report to the Board of Supervisors.

1. Park Improvement Planning: Park improvement schedule and sequence to be updated based on feedback from the engineer.
2. Scheduling: A revised park request form is posted to the township website. Submissions of scheduling requests by sports organizations have started in earnest. Upon the advice of the township solicitor, sports organizations are now required to provide proof of insurance to be kept in the township office. The recreation board has requested that representatives of sports organizations attend the March meeting to review park operations for the season.
3. Paving Query by Board of Supervisors: Scheduling of paving of existing non-permeable gravel areas so as to leverage planned township paving operations this season is feasible.
4. With consultation with maintenance staff the Recreation Board recommend improvement under a set of ball field bleachers on the 3<sup>rd</sup> base side of Field A to improve stability. **Mr. Sanders moved, seconded by Mr. Kammerer to approve the project of improvement to Field A, 3<sup>rd</sup> base side bleachers with recreation funds not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) to cover materials and labor. Motion carried unanimously.**

Mr. Sanders pointed out that when the paving on the existing non-permeable gravel areas is done that a 120 ft. conduit be installed under the paving for later use of electric, water, etc. The cost of this conduit will be nominal. **Ms. Hamm moved, seconded by Mr. Sanders to purchase a conduit from the recreation funds not to exceed five hundred dollars (\$500.00) for materials and labor. Motion carried unanimously.**

#### Road Department:

Mr. Walde requested permission to advertise for bid for the purchase of blacktop and that the bids would be opened next month at the Board of Supervisors meeting.

1. Paving bids for: a) Goldenville Road between Table Rock Rd & Rt. 394 - .97 of a mile of road; and b) Base repair on Pine Tree Road, Beaver Run Road and Woodside Road. This would take approximately 800 ton. The funds used for these projects would be liquid fuels. **Mr. Sanders moved, seconded by Mr. Kammerer to approve the advertisement for bid for the purchase of blacktop on Goldenville Road and base repair on Pine Tree Road, Beaver Run Road and Woodside Road. Motion carried unanimously.**

2. Concrete Box Culvert on Leedy Road – Mr. Davis asked Mr. Walde if he had three (3) quotes in writing for this project. Mr. Walde indicated that he did. This box culvert would be 3' x 9'. The road crew would install it themselves so the only cost would be for materials only which would be approximately \$15,000.00. **Mr. Kammerer moved, seconded by Mr. Sanders to approve the installation of a concrete box culvert on Leedy Road. Discussion: Ms. Hamm thanked Mr. Walde for being proactive on this matter. With no further discussion, motion carried unanimously.**

Mr. Mauser asked if the recreation paving project would be part of this bid. Mr. Walde indicated that with the costs of oil, he recommends that the recreation paving project be a separate bid from that of the liquid fuels project. There would be a better chance of getting a better price if done separately. Ms. Hamm recognizes the cost and it is probably better to put the recreation project bid out separately. Mr. Mauser asked if the paving at the recreation park should be done now or waits until the park improvement planning is done. This is a timing issue wherein the paving would close the park for a few days and with the grading it would take more time. Mr. Kilmer stated that it is all in priorities of the park and what the township wants to do. There is a drainage problem and this paving would be done on the upper portion to help that plus there is the grading that needs done. Mr. Davis pointed out that this project could be put out to bid and if the bid is good, go with it. If the bids are not good, you do not need to do the project. **Ms. Hamm moved, seconded by Mr. Sanders to approve the advertisement for bid for the purchase of blacktop for the existing non-permeable gravel areas at the Straban Township Recreation Park. Motion carried unanimously.**

#### Appearances:

None.

#### Correspondence:

Mrs. Crushong announced the following:

- Bonneauville Fire Department monthly report for January 2012 shows that the Department responded to 47 Fire and EMS calls for service.
- Gettysburg Fire Department monthly report for January 2012 shows that the Department responded to 175 requests for help.
- Starting in March 2012-June 2012, PennDOT will be contracting with Tri-State Traffic Data, Inc., to collect traffic data on municipally owned roads within the county and municipality. The data collected is reported annually to the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA). The data submitted to FHWA is used in a federal funding allocation formula which in turns determines the amount of money the state receives from the Federal Government.
- Minutes of the Gettysburg Municipal Authority Board of Directors Reorganizational Meeting and Regular meeting held on January 16, 2012.

#### Updates from Engineer:

Plank Field (Keller Farm): bond is to be in the township office by March 31, 2012.

Gettysburg Crossing: the Revised Preliminary Land Development Plan was reviewed. The conditions that were for storm water are approved. The conditions remaining at this time are outside agency requirements which are permitted at this Preliminary Plan stage. The engineering things are taken care of. Once all conditions of approval have been satisfied and plans are presented to the Board for signatures, it is recommended that the engineering office review the final set of preliminary plans to ensure that the plan set for signature corresponds directly to the last reviewed plan set by the township and that all page number discrepancies have been corrected.

### Old/New Business:

1. **Stormwater Management Ordinance** - To effectuate the Adams County Stormwater Management Plan adopted by Adams County and approved by the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection Straban Township needs to adopt an amended Stormwater Management Ordinance. **Mr. Sanders moved, seconded by Mr. Kammerer to authorize the solicitor and engineer to collaborate on incorporating a storm water management ordinance in accordance with the County Act 167 Ordinance. Motion carried unanimously.** Mr. Davis informed the Board of Supervisors that since this is a County-wide Ordinance and he represents five (5) municipalities in the County, he went ahead and prepared the Ordinance. The billing for this Ordinance will be split equally amount the five (5) municipalities that he represents. Mr. Davis will pass this Ordinance onto the engineer for his review and input. Mr. Kilmer stated that the same billing procedure will be followed with his office as Mr. Davis stated.

2. **Prevailing Wage Reform Resolution** – To urge the Pennsylvania General Assembly to eliminate or amend the State Prevailing Wage Act (Act 442 of 1961). Workers on public construction, reconstruction, demolition, alterations, and/or repair projects with an estimated cost greater than \$25,000.00 must be paid a wage set by the Secretary of Labor and Industry rather than local market rates. This Resolution supports increasing the prevailing wage threshold from \$25,000.00 to \$185,000.00 and adjust this amount annually based on the Consumer Price Index. This Resolution supports House Bills 1329 and 1685, as well as any other proposal that offers relief to Pennsylvania's local governments and taxpayers from the burdens of the Prevailing Wage Act. **Mr. Kammerer moved, seconded by Mr. Sanders to approve the adoption of the Prevailing Wage Reform Resolution. Motion carried unanimously.**

3. **Opt-in on UCC** - Mrs. Hamm explained that since the township is an opt-out of the Uniform Construction Code (UCC), developers/residents involved with any public facility must use the Department of Labor and Industry (L&I) for their building inspections. L&I only cares about the structure and has no interest in being certain local ordinances and codes are complied with hence all too often they issue a certificate of occupancy with no regard of Township regulations. L&I inspects all public businesses and with the high number of business within Straban we have not had good oversight into being certain our ordinances and codes are complied with. Mr. Kammerer also noted that approximately 80% of the state has already opted-in. **Mr. Kammerer moved, seconded by Mr. Sanders to approve the solicitor to draft a letter of intent to opt in on the Uniform Construction Code to Department of Labor & Industry. Motion carried unanimously.** Mr. Davis noted that there is a one hundred eighty (180) day notice from the date of your letter notifying the Department that you want to administer and enforce the UCC and the Ordinance date.

4. **Ordinance to opt-in on UCC** – **Mr. Sanders moved, seconded by Mr. Kammerer to approve the solicitor to prepare the Ordinance that is required as part of the opting-in procedure. Motion carried unanimously.**

**Land Use Reviews:**

Historic Preserve – Preliminary Subdivision Plan/Planning Module – (Rt. 15/Good Intent Road) – Must act by 3/7/12 – **Mr. Sanders moved, seconded by Mr. Kammerer to deny the plan in accordance with the letter from William Hill dated January 28, 2008. Motion carried unanimously.**

**Public Comment:**

1. Mr. Kammerer handed a letter to the Secretary indicating that he would like to be included in the dental insurance plan.
2. Sandy Martin – requested a copy of the February 6, 2012 Minutes.
3. Reporter, Tim Prudente – Requested what the comments of non-conformity were in the Wm. Hill letter concerning the Historic Preserve matter. Mrs. Hamm indicated that there were nine (9) pages worth and she offered the letter to him to look at. Mr. Davis said that the document is public record and he could review it if he would like. He also asked how long the Township has received Minutes from Gettysburg Municipal Authority (GMA). Mrs. Hamm said for quite some time, not exactly sure of when we started receiving them but we usually receive them after they have been approved.

**Adjournment:**

With no further business to come before the Board, Mr. Sanders moved, seconded by Mr. Kammerer to adjourn the meeting at 7:57 p.m. this date.

Respectfully submitted,

Robin K. Crushong  
Secretary

**The next regularly scheduled meeting for the Board of Supervisors of Straban Township will be held on April 2, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.**