

KIDDER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, October 20, 2011

Chairman Polansky called the regularly scheduled monthly meeting of the Kidder Township Board of Supervisors to order at 7:00 P.M. on Thursday, October 20, 2011 at the Kidder Township Municipal Building, Lake Harmony, PA.

ROLL CALL: Assistant Secretary/Treasurer Lisa Klem, Supervisors Polansky, Farnschlader, Bradley, Gluck and Lengle were present along with Attorney Miscavige. Township Manager John Finnerty was absent.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Don Michel, a resident of Golden Oaks Village, commented that nothing has been done with the swales at Golden Oaks Village. Attorney Miscavige replied that the Surety and the Township agreed to the funding and the Surety has authorized the contractor to proceed with the work. The final scope of the work is being finalized between the Township Engineers and Site Contractor. The Surety and The Township are trying to move the matter along as quickly as they can.

Joseph McAleer, President of the Lake Harmony Ambulance and Rescue Squad, said he understands that recently White Haven Ambulance has been in and out of Service. This could create a problem for Kidder Township, especially during the ski season. White Haven Ambulance provides Advanced Life Support (ALS) and Lake Harmony provides only Basic Life Support (BLS). Mr. McAleer said Lake Harmony will do their best to cover Jack Frost and Big Boulder. Chairman Polansky said the problem is if White Haven goes out of service that means it will be another twenty or thirty minutes for ALS coverage. Mr. McAleer said Lake Harmony could add a third unit; however they are not ALS. Mr. Bradley asked if there is any possibility of Lake Harmony going ALS. Mr. McAleer responded they do not have the ability to go ALS. Mr. McAleer said they are waiting for the State to issue a license for Advanced EMT services, which will allow them to run close to ALS services.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Regular Meeting September 15, 2011

MOTION – made by Mr. Lengle, seconded by Ms. Farnschlader **to approve the minutes of the September 15, 2011 Regular Meeting.** Motion carried 5-0.

Budget Meeting October 13, 2011

MOTION – made by Ms. Farnschlader, seconded by Mr. Lengle **to approve the minutes of the October 13, 2011 Budget Meeting.** Motion carried 4-0-1.
Mr. Bradley abstained due to his absence of the budget meeting.

There was an **Executive Session** held at 6:30 P.M. concerning legal and personnel matters.

CURRENT BILLS:

MOTION – made by Ms. Farnschlader, seconded by Mr. Bradley **to pay the current bills in the amount of \$435,549.92.** Motion carried 5-0.

OLD BUSINESS:

Wastewater Treatment Plant – award bid for sale of the Wastewater Treatment Plant.

Chairman Polansky said although we have two serious bidders, neither bid was in conformity.

MOTION – made by Ms. Farnschlader, seconded by Mr. Gluck **to re-advertise the bids specifications for the sale of the wastewater treatment plant for thirty days.** Motion carried 5-0.

NEW BUSINESS:

Administration of Uniform and Non-Uniform Pension Plans – Reconsider Pension Plan motion from July 21, 2011, Board of Supervisor's Meeting.

Chairman Polansky said at that time we had two bid to take over the administration of the Pension Plans which is a requirement by the state. At the time, based on incomplete information, we awarded the bid to one firm. After receiving the complete information it is clear that the distinction between the two is not as great.

MOTION – made by Mr. Bradley, seconded by Ms. Farnschlader **to revoke the original decision to award the bid to PSATS.** Motion carried 5-0.

MOTION – made by Mr. Lenge, seconded by Ms. Gluck **to award the bid for the administration of the pension plans to Trollinger Consulting Group.** Motion carried 5-0.

Police Pension Fund 2012 Minimum Municipal Obligation (MMO) – The MMO for the Police Pension Plan is \$115,006.00 for 2012. Chairman Polansky said between the Police and Non-uniform Pension Plans the Township will end up paying around \$100,000.00 toward the two plans. The State Contribution will only be about \$70,000.00 for a total of approximately \$170,000.00.

Adopt Ordinance No.: 154 – Re-enacting, restating and amending the Earned Income Tax Ordinance to establish conformity with the Local Tax Enabling Act as amended by Act 32.

MOTION – made by Mr. Gluck, seconded by Mr. Bradley **to adopt Ordinance No.: 154.** Motion carried 5-0.

Dimmick Memorial Library Fund Drive – request for donation.

Ms. Farnschlader said in the past Kidder Township donated \$300.00. Penn Forest donates \$1,000.00, and Jim Thorpe handles the bulk of it. Chairman Polansky said the document we have has four options \$100.00, \$50.00, \$20.00, or other.

Lisa Klem said last year the township gave \$150.00 and Mr. Kalins matched it so the total contribution would be \$300.00.

MOTION – made by Mr. Lengle, seconded by Mr. Bradley **to contribute \$100.00 to the Dimmick Memorial Library Fund Drive.** Motion carried 4-1. Ms. Farnschlader opposed because she would like it to be a higher contribution.

MOTION – made by Mr. Farnschlader, seconded by Mr. Lengle **to raise the salary of the Waste Management Clerk from \$12.00 per hour to \$13.00 per hour.** Motion carried 5-0.

REPORTS:

- A. **Police Chairman** – There was nothing additional to add.
- B. **Roadmaster** – Mr. Gluck said he had written to PennDOT about the pothole situation on State Route 534. PennDOT's response is they feel it is the truck stop's responsibility as a driveway issue. Mr. Gluck said one of the potholes is in the middle of the traffic lane. They had a big orange barrel over it. Mr. Gluck said the response from the guy he wrote to is "we moved the barrel to the shoulder." PennDOT's final response was that if the truck stop does not comply they will take the next step.
- C. **Solicitor** – There was nothing additional to add.
- D. **Manager** – There was nothing additional to add.
- E. **Police** - The report was in the Supervisors' file. Chief Kuzma said that on October 29, 2011 in connection with the Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) the department is having a national take back initiative at the Township Building from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM. Anyone can bring any expired, prescription, or over the counter drugs to be properly disposed of. Chief Kuzma said there would be no questions asked he would just ask the people to take the labels off.
- F. **Planning Commission** – No Meeting.
- G. **Zoning Officer** – The report was in the Supervisors' file.
- H. **Zoning Hearing Board** – The report was in the Supervisors' file.
- I. **Sewage Enforcement Officer** - The report was in the Supervisors' file.
- J. **Code Enforcement Officer** – The report was in the Supervisors' file.
- K. **Environmental Advisory Council** – The minutes are in the Supervisors' file.

We received reports from all three fire companies and from the rescue squad.

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION - made by Mr. Bradley, seconded by Mr. Lengle **to place all reports on file and adjourn the meeting.** Motion carried 5-0.

The Meeting was adjourned at 7:17P.M.

John P. Finnerty, Township Secretary