

NORTH EAST TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS  
MEETING  
MONDAY, APRIL 4, 2016  
7:30 PM

Chairman August Neff called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance. Also in attendance were Supervisors Fredrick Shunk and Robert Mazza, Attorney Robert Jeffery, Engineer Clay Fails and Secretary Karen Ahlgrim. Members of the public included, Al Arment, Jim Williams, Matt Putman, Sally Griffin, Ann Kreider, James Sheridan, Teresa Sculley, Fritz Holzhausen, Julie Creed, Joan Bemiss, Greg Swabb and Aime Szymanski.

Chairman Neff asked for public comments or concerns and none were stated. A motion from Robert Mazza and the second from Fredrick Shunk approved the minutes of the March 21<sup>st</sup>, 2016 meeting as presented and passed by unanimous vote. Secretary Karen Ahlgrim presented the Treasurer's report for the month of March 2016 and by a motion from Fredrick Shunk and the second from Robert Mazza was accepted as presented and passed by unanimous vote. Bills were presented for March 21<sup>st</sup> through March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2016 for approval and payment as follows:

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| General Fund Checks | #15425-15462               | \$ 114,442.10 |
| General Fund Debits | #J2318,2322,2327,2328,2329 | \$ 2,061.47   |
| Water Fund Checks   | #4395-4401                 | \$ 160,468.20 |
| Water Fund Debits   | #J1214, 1215               | \$ 500.50     |
| Sewer Fund Checks   | #3532-3539                 | \$ 81,689.22  |

Total approved by a motion from Robert Mazza and the second from Fredrick Shunk was \$359,161.49 and passed by unanimous vote.

*Correspondence: None*

*Old Business:*

Supervisor Neff noted the Board has received acknowledgement from PennDOT of our request to lower the speed limit and evaluate the use of engine brake retarders along Route 89 from I-90 to the Borough line. They estimate the study to take 60 days.

*New Business:*

Supervisors addressed Resolution #2016-011, adding properties to the Agriculture Security Area for Jeffrey and Pamela Thompson on Middle Road and East Lake Road. Attorney Jeffery noted both properties are quality areas for development. The northeast corner of Orchard Beach and Middle was entered into Ag Preservation 10 years ago, now this will take the northwest side of Orchard Beach and Middle. Robert Mazza noted that the Middle Road property could have been subdivided but was not completed, if development was the idea it could have been bought, he feels if they want Ag Security for the area we should allow it, it is prime property for agriculture and Fredrick Shunk agreed. August Neff and Robert Jeffery noted that the Township does not have a say whether land goes into Ag Preservation but that every 7 years we can review the areas in Ag Security. A motion to pass and sign Resolution #2016-011 was made by Robert Mazza and the second from Fredrick Shunk and passed by unanimous vote.

Mr. Al Arment addressed the Board with his \$2,699.80 water/sewer bill for the first quarter of this year, he had a leak in his master bath toilet and this is the result. He is asking for help, he is retired and living on social security and this bill represents 5+ years of his normal usage. Fredrick Shunk noted that the Township has to pay the Borough for its usage and our expenses. Attorney Jeffery noted that the Water/Sewer Authority denied the request noting it is up to the Board of Supervisors to make this determination. Mr. Arment is asking for a "fair bill" and is concerned about the penalty and interest which will take effect after April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2016. The Board agreed to waive any late fees and possibly prepare a new determination of charges. This item is tabled until the May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2016 meeting.

Supervisors discussed a letter from Hill Engineering concerning Test Drilling Freeport Road and Beach for construction of a pump station at the Site II Treatment Plant. The cores are for bidders of the project and this is just for preliminary designs, no permits have been applied for with DEP yet. Fritz Holzhausen asked if there would be a public hearing for the Township and it was noted that the sponsor would have the hearing. Matt Putman asked if this permitting before is getting ahead, and was told no, just steps in progress, some for grant applications maybe. Robert Mazza noted DEP permits deal with quality and quantity. A motion to approve test borings with the Freeport Road Right of Way was made by Fredrick Shunk and the second from Robert Mazza and passed by unanimous vote.

A resolution to apply for a grant through the DCNR was addressed, Clay Fails noted that this one will be complimentary to the Fish & Boat Commission Grant already filed for; we are trying for more matching. Sally Griffin asked what the project was and it was explained that handicapped access parking and a fishing pier will be built. Robert Mazza noted he had received a letter from DCNR that they had recently conducted a "post completion" site inspection on the Conservation Park and that ADA access is in need of updating. A motion to approve and sign Resolution #2016-012 for the Twenty Mile Creek Fishing Access grant application was made by Fredrick Shunk and the second from Robert Mazza and passed by unanimous vote.

*Mylar:* Denise Engro of Old Lake Road, subdividing property. A motion from Fredrick Shunk and the second from Robert Mazza approved the plan and passed by unanimous vote.

*Mylar:* Judy Nelson, 11410 East Lake Road, subdivide property into two lots. A motion to approve and sign was made by August Neff and the second from Robert Mazza and passed by unanimous vote.

The Board accepted a letter of resignation from Allison Smith, Rec Commission member; she is moving to the Borough and can no longer serve the Township. Supervisors noted anyone interested in serving on the Rec Commission should contact the Township. A reminder that Election Day for Pennsylvania is Tuesday, April 26<sup>th</sup> and the offices and garage will be closed that day.

Attorney Jeffery noted that Dear Inc. and the Sisters of Mercy, East Lake Road had received approval of a discharge pipe that had been being addressed.

After announcements and with all business concluded a motion to adjourn was received from Fredrick Shunk and the second from Robert Mazza at 8:25 PM. Meeting Adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Ahlgrim, Secretary