

**PERKIOMEN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MONTHLY MEETING
MINUTES: AUGUST 2, 2011**

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Richard Kratz, Chairman
Gordon MacElhenney, Vice-Chairman
William Patterson, Member
Dean Becker, Member
Edward Savitsky, Member

OTHERS PRESENT: Cecile Daniel, Township Manager
Kenneth Picardi, Township Solicitor
Chuck Frantz, Township Engineer
John Moran Jr., Code Enforcement/Zoning Officer:

Richard Kratz called the August 2, 2011 Board of Supervisors Meeting to order in the Perkiomen Township Administration Building at 7:00 p.m.

MINUTES: The minutes of the July 5, 2011 Board of Supervisors meeting were approved upon motion of Edward Savitsky and seconded by William Patterson. There were no public comments on the motion. The motion was carried by a vote of 5-0.

POLICE REPORT: The Board reviewed the written State Police Report for July.

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. **TRAPPE AMBULANCE & LOWER FREDERICK REGIONAL AMBULANCE CORPS:** Report
2. **UPPER POTTS GROVE:** Correspondence
3. **PSATS:** News Bulletin from PSATS
4. **CENTRAL PERKIOMEN VALLEY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION:** June meeting minutes

SOLICITOR'S REPORT: Kenneth Picardi reported on the following item:

1. Heatherfield Realty Associates – Mr. Picardi informed the Board that he reviewed with the Planning Commission, at their July Meeting, the possible purchase of 17.2 acre parcel owned by Kenneth Grosse. Mr. Picardi discussed changes that would need to be made to Resolution 2006-19 and Resolution 2006-21 regarding the acquisition of property by the Township for open space and/or recreation purposes. As a result, Mr. Picardi prepared draft Resolution 2011-12. Under this proposed Resolution, (1) the Perkiomen Township Open Space Plan, which was adopted by Township Resolution 2006-19, and Township Resolution 2006-21, would be amended for the limited purpose of permitting the

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acquisition by the Township of any property in the Township for open space uses provided said property is recommended for acquisition by the Perkiomen Township Planning Commission, and, the proposed property meets the criteria set forth in the Township Open Space Plan and Township Resolution 2006-21, including the acquisition of the subject 17.1277 acre parcel now owned by Heatherfield Realty Associates, L.P. (Kenneth Grosse) and (2) In all other respects, the Perkiomen Township Open Space Plan, Township Resolution 2006-19, and Township Resolution 2006-21 are ratified, reaffirmed, and shall remain in full force and effect. Mr. Picardi explained that the Planning Commission was in favor of revising said Resolutions and purchasing of the 17.1277 acres from Heatherfield Realty Associates. As a result, Mr. Picardi recommended that the Board approve Resolution 2011-12. With the recommendation of Mr. Picardi, Dean Becker made a motion seconded by William Patterson to approve Resolution 2011-12. There were no public comments on the motion. The motion was carried by a vote of 5-0. As part of the process to purchase the 17.1277 acres, the Board needs to hold a public hearing. Dean Becker made a motion seconded by Edward Savitsky to schedule the public hearing for 7:00 p.m., Tuesday, September 6, 2011. There were no public comments on the motion. The motion was carried by a vote of 5-0.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Mr. Picardi requested an Executive Session to discuss a real estate and a litigation matter.

ROAD MASTER'S REPORT: William Patterson, acting as temporary Road Master, submitted to the Board the Road Master's Report dated August 1, 2011 for activities taking place during the month of July. In addition to his report, Mr. Patterson informed the Board as to the repair work that needs to be completed on Johnson Road. Mr. Patterson informed the Board that he, Steven Moyer of P.K. Moyer, and Chuck Frantz inspected the areas of Johnson Road where the street was sinking. Mr. Frantz indicated that there were as many as six repair patches near existing inlets and 3 patches along the existing curb line that need to be made. Each patch will require excavation, compaction and placement of new bituminous pavement. The exact cause of the settlement will not be known until the areas are opened up.

FIRE MARSHALL'S REPORT: John Moran Sr. submitted to the Board the Fire Marshall's Report dated August 1, 2011 for activities taking place during the month of July.

CODE ENFORCEMENT REPORT: John Moran Jr. submitted to the Board the Code Enforcement Report dated August 1, 2011 for activities taking place during the month of July. In addition to his report, Mr. Moran informed the Board that the Zoning Hearing Board denied the application of Community Medical Dental. Mr. Moran also recommended that the Board consider revising the Resolution setting forth the fees for all Zoning Permits and Zoning Determinations. It was Mr. Moran's recommendation that a standard fee of \$40.00 be established for all Zoning Permits and Zoning Determinations. By creating a set fee, it

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will cover any future revisions to the Township's Zoning Ordinance that would require the person to obtain a Zoning Permit or a Zoning Determination. Mr. Picardi indicated that he has reviewed the proposed Resolution, but would like to make some minor changes. With the recommendation of Mr. Moran, William Patterson made a motion seconded by Edward Savitsky to adopt Resolution 2011-13 pending review and approval by the Township Solicitor. There were no public comments on the motion. The motion was carried by a vote of 5-0.

PERKIOMEN TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING: Cecile Daniel reported that the Planning Commission discussed the Conditional Use Application of the Dunkin Donuts at their meeting scheduled for July 19, 2011 as well as the possible purchase by the Township of 17.1277 acres owned by Heatherfield Realty.

MANAGER'S REPORT: Cecile Daniel informed the Board that the items to be discussed will come under New Business.

1. **PECO:** Ms. Daniel presented to the Board a letter that was drafted on the issue of payment to PECO for the relocation of the poles for the Godshall Road Bridge Project. Ms. Daniel asked for the Board's comments before she sent the letter on to PECO. The Board informed Ms. Daniel that they will make written comments to the draft letter and send the letter back to her. The Board directed that Mr. Picardi review the letter and if he has any changes to make them and forward the changes to Ms. Daniel. Once Ms. Daniel has all the comments, the letter will be revised and sent to PECO.
2. **APPEALS BOARD:** Schwenksville Borough requested consideration by the Municipal Members to allow the Borough to be a member of the Joint Board of Appeals. This Joint Board was a requirement of the UCC Legislation. As a member of the Joint Board of Appeals, the Board of Supervisors will need to agree with this request. The Board discussed the request of Schwenksville Borough and Dean Becker made a motion seconded by William Patterson to approve the request to allow the Borough to be a member of the Joint Board of Appeals. There were no public comments on the motion. The motion was carried by a vote of 5-0.

ENGINEERS REPORT: Chuck Frantz was present to review the following items:

1. **Godshall Road Bridge Project:** Mr. Frantz informed the Board that Flyway Excavating has completed the demolition of the existing bridge and has installed their erosion and sediment control measures. The initial stake out has been completed for the foundation of the new structure and Flyway is currently in the process of preparing the foundations. The anticipated date for the delivery of the structure is September 7, 2011. The delivery date is typically the installation date of the structure as well. It is anticipated that the

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contractor will need approximately 3-4 weeks after installation to complete the backfill and restoration work prior to re-opening of the road. The anticipated date to re-open Godshall Road is the last week of September or first week of October which is within the 10-12 week estimate provided to the public in the Township's Detour Notice. Flyway is currently working on a more definitive schedule based on this delivery date which they will forward to Mr. Frantz when that is finalized. Once this date is finalized, Mr. Frantz will coordinate with Kehoe Construction for commencement of the 2011 Roads Project in early October of this year.

2. 2011 Roads Project Update: Mr. Frantz informed the Board that he has provided the Township with copies of the Agreement for execution. Upon execution of the documents Mr. Frantz will forward the Agreement and a Notice to Proceed to Kehoe Construction. As mentioned under the Godshall Road Bridge Report, Mr. Frantz anticipates issuance of a Notice to Proceed for early October.

3. 391 Wartman Road – Escrow Release No.1: Mr. Frantz reviewed the request he received from Antonio Mazzamuto regarding Escrow Release No. 1 for the project that he is completed at his property located at 391 Wartman Road. Mr. Mazzamuto requested a release of \$12,950.00. Based upon Mr. Frantz's review of the information submitted to him, he is recommending that the Board release \$4,770.28. With the recommendation of Mr. Frantz, Gordon MacElhenney made a motion, seconded by Edward Savitsky to approve the Escrow Release No. 1 in the amount of \$4,770.28. There were no public comments on the motion. The motion was carried by a vote of 5-0.

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES: The treasurer read the receipts and expenditures for the month of July. After review of same, Dean Becker made a motion, seconded by Gordon MacElhenney to authorize payment of the July bills. There were no public comments on the motion. The motion was passed by a vote of 5-0.

NEW BUSINESS: There was no new business for the month of August.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned upon a motion made by Dean Becker and William Patterson.