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BOARD OF SUPERVISOR MEETING MINUTES – SEPTEMBER 5, 2012

*These are the official meeting minutes of the Oakland Township Board of Supervisors for the above referenced date.
 The Supervisors met at the municipal building, 565 Chicora Road, Butler, PA 16001. The meeting was scheduled to begin at 9:00 a.m.*

BOARD ATTENDEES:

Brian G. Hans, Chairman

Regis V. Thoma, Vice-Chairman

Brent A. Patten, Supervisor

Nadine A. Neff, Secretary/Treasurer

CALL MEETING TO ORDER / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Supervisor Brian Hans called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

APPROVE AGENDA

Supervisor Brian Hans motioned to approve the Meeting Agenda with the addition under Old Business, Letter E Coffee/Uniform Contracts; Supervisor Regis Thoma seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: The motion was approved by all.

APPROVE MEETING MINUTES

Supervisor Regis Thoma motioned to approve the meeting minutes for the Board of Supervisor’s meeting for the month of August; Supervisor Brent Patten seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: The motion was approved by all.

APPROVE TREASURER’S REPORT

Supervisor Regis Thoma motioned to approve the treasurer’s report for the month of August; Supervisor Brent Patten seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: The motion was approved by all.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Harry Mottern – Union Contract –

Harry Mottern requested a copy of the Union Contract. Nadine Neff advised that he could have a copy if he completed a Public Record Request and paid the Twp Copy Fee accordingly.

Rocco Lanzalotto – Coffee, Uniforms and Union Contract

Rocco Lanzalotto asked if anything was figured out about the coffee and uniforms and Supervisor Brian Hans stated that the matter will be discussed under Old Business, Letter E added to the agenda.

Duane Patten / Mowing on Hoon Road

Duane Patten expressed his concern regarding the unmowed portion of Hoon Road. There was discussion of equipment breaking down and procedures. Supervisor Brent Patten motioned that if the tractor is working, no roads are skipped and that if you are in the area, you don’t leave the area until the



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roads in that area are mowed; Supervisor Brian Hans seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: The motion was approved by all.

CORRESPONDENCE

Arlene Toner – Spillway Owner – There are construction trucks turning around in their upper lot. This is causing damage to the lot and a hardship for their patrons. When they approached one of the drivers, he stated that the Township gave him permission to turn there. Nadine Neff assured her that the Township did not give them permission to do so on a private lot and gave to her the contact numbers for K C Construction, the contractor working on Oneida Dam.

Pennsylvania American Water Co Feasibility Study – The Township received a voice-mail message from PA American Water that they are going to do a feasibility study regarding bringing water service as far as Oakland Township Elementary school.

Charles Hohn et us./Oakland Township – Correspondence was received by our solicitor regarding the revocation of the subdivision on Windwalker Lane.

Donna Moser RE: Building Permit – Donna Moser wrote to Nadine Neff stating that she had to drive to Volant to get her building permit. Nadine Neff contacted Jackie Richardson and the building permits will be mailed to the Township Building so that residents can pick them up.

DEP Complaint from Barbara Eppinger RE: Hazel Grimes Property – The Board of Supervisors were informed of the complaint and the history of complaints regarding same. The Board chose to take no action at this time.

Delinquent Tax Collection – Sharp Collections has not made an effort to send the information packet that it said it would. The Board authorized Nadine Neff to contact another source for collection.

Loretta Beblo Cat Complaint - Emails were exchanged between Ms. Beblo and the Township Secretary regarding stray cats that have been dumped in their neighborhood and possible solutions.

LTAP Class –October 16th Asphalt Roads, Common Maintenance Problems – there was no interest at this time.

Hendricks Road Bridge – The Township received a phone call that the bridge by the water co is to be replaced and will be closed the entire summer of 2014. The 6.4 mile detour will be utilizing routes 8, 422, and 38.



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Butler County Municipal Employees Annual Safety Training – Supervisor Brian Hans motioned to approve Bert, Dave, and Lonny to go to the safety training; Supervisor Regis Thoma seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: The motion was approved by all.

Michael Hoffer Email Regarding Halloween – Emails were exchanged between Mr. Hoffer and the Township Secretary regarding his request to have Halloween set prior to the beginning of October so that working parents can request off in a timely manner. Supervisor Brian Hans motioned to set Trick or Treat for Wednesday, October 31, 2012 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.; Supervisor Brent Patten seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: The motion was approved by all.

Mini-Auditor Training – Supervisor Brian Hans motioned to approve the auditors to attend the auditor training at Summit Twp on Tuesday, November 13th; Supervisor Regis Thoma seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: The motion was approved by all.

STAFF REPORTS

Nadine Neff – Nothing to report.

Lonny Jewart – Nothing to report.

OLD BUSINESS

Cranmer v. Oakland Township – Supervisor Brian Hans signed the Agreement

Berkheimer/Earned Income Collection – Nadine Neff reported that she has a list of 702 names of residents that either have not paid or their employer has not turned earned income tax over to Berkheimer. Berkheimer checked only ten on the list and does not appear to be considering any further follow-up at this time. The Board of Supervisors agreed that this should be turned over to State Representative Brian Ellis to see if he can render any assistance in this matter.

Nadine Neff gave to the Board of Supervisors an Ordinance that Concord Township passed in order to collect Earned Income from non-resident employees. With the Marcellas drilling in the area and many temporary workers coming into their municipality, they are trying to capture some of the lost revenue. Supervisor Regis Thoma directed that a copy of the Ordinance be given to solicitor Phil Lope for his review and recommendations.



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On Call Employees – Nadine Neff was told that Concord Township contacted Dick Knapko at PennDOT to get a list of retired PennDOT employees in the area who are available for on-call duties. The Board agreed that she should contact Dick Knapko for a copy of the list as well.

Coffee and Uniform Contract – The uniform contract renewal was given to the Board of Supervisors for their consideration. Tom Covert expressed his opinion about the uniforms not being included in the Union Contract. Supervisor Brian Hans motioned to cut uniform rentals until later if negotiated into the Union Contract and with the Township still providing reflective vests and coats; Supervisor Brent Patten seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: The motion was approved by all.

Supervisor Brian Hans motioned that coffee is only purchased for public meetings, voting day, and no more personal use of coffee and creamer unless you purchased it yourself. There was no second and the motion died on the floor. Supervisor Brent Patten stated that he disagreed with the purchase of coffee for voting day. Supervisor Brent Patten motioned that only water is provided for the meetings; Supervisor Brian Hans seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: The motion was approved by all.

NEW BUSINESS

Marcellas Shale Permits – Three additional permits were received for wells being constructed in Summit Township. It was suggested that the permits be posted for the public on the township website.

Building Permit Procedural Change – Jackie Richardson of Richardson Inspection Services has informed the township that they are doing the reporting to the County for new building permits and charging a \$10.00 fee to do so. Therefore, the township will no longer collect the \$20.00 reporting fee for new building permits. Assessment permits will continue to be charged at a \$20.00 fee.

Ash Bid Authorization – Supervisor Brian Hans motioned to bid 1,500 tons of ash; Supervisor Brent Patten seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: The motion was approved by all.

Old Copy Machine – Supervisor Brian Hans motioned to put the old copy machine out on Election Day with a jar for sealed bids; Supervisor Regis Thoma seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: The motion was approved by all.

Pension MMO and Interest for back Pension Owed – The MMO for Oakland Township will be approximately \$4,200.00.

The Board discussed the interest that should be paid on the pension monies owed to Burt Brewster. Supervisor Brent Patten motioned that we call Paul McEachin at the bank and find out what the three



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year average interest rate is and pay accordingly; Supervisor Brian Hans seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: The motion was approved by all.

SIGNING OF THE TIME SHEETS / AUTHORIZATION TO PAY BILLS ON HAND

The Board signed the time sheets submitted for payroll for the month. Supervisor Brian Hans motioned to pay the bills on hand, all previously authorized bills, and payroll for the upcoming month; Supervisor Brent Patten seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: The motion was approved by all.

ADJOURNMENT

Supervisor Brian Hans motioned to adjourn the meeting at 10:44 a.m.; Supervisor Regis Thoma seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: The motion was approved by all.