

BOARD OF SUPERVISOR MEETING MINUTES – DECEMBER 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 Regis Thoma motioned to approve the Meeting Agenda; Supervisor Brent Patten 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 month of November and the Budget Minutes; Supervisor Brent Patten seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: The motion was approved by all.

APPROVE TREASURER'S REPORT

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

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Nadine Neff told the Board of Supervisors that Rocco Lanzalotto contacted her at home yesterday and said that Larry Bachman would be present at the meeting to explain to the Board his findings on the military payment issue he raised last month. Larry Bachman was not present.

Paul Miller - Subdivision for Stepansky and Wolfe

Supervisor Brian Hans motioned to approve the drawings by S. D. Graff for Wolfe/Stepansky, project number 12164; Supervisor Regis Thoma seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: The motion was approved by all.

Harry Mottern - Road Crew Hours

Harry Mottern asked if the Road Crew was working their winter hours and the Board confirmed that they were.



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<u>Lynette Alessandroni and Adolph Weiland</u> – Lynette Alessandroni requested that a hardship variance be granted to her to place a trailer on the property of her father, Adolph Weiland. <u>Supervisor Brian Hans</u> motioned to approve a Hardship Variance for Lynette Alessandroni to put a mobile home on the property hooked up to the septic with David Ice's approval and obtaining all permits required and at the end of use, the system must be disconnected; <u>Supervisor Regis Thoma seconded the motion</u>. <u>ROLL CALL: The motion was approved by all.</u>

<u>Stan Graff – Hartle Subdivision</u> - Supervisor Brian Hans motioned to approve the subdivision for Kenneth and Cheryl Hartle, S. D. Graff project number 12189; Supervisor Regis Thoma seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: The motion was approved by all.

<u>Stan Graff – Graham Subdivision</u> – The Board reviewed the subdivision drawings presented by Stan Graff. The Oakland Township Planning Commission did not sign the drawing because they felt that the subdivision would create a hazard with ingress and egress. An e-mail from our Township Solicitor advises to have wording placed on the Mylar that a driveway permit would not be issued. The Board felt that the drawings need to reflect the right-of-way to the property so that there are no questions in the future as to the Board's intent in allowing this subdivision for which a driveway permit would be denied.

CORRESPONDENCE

<u>XTO Energy Marcellas Drilling Notifications</u> – The Board reviewed the notifications received. The Board asked that Nadine Neff obtain a map on which we can mark where the various wells are being constructed.

STAFF REPORTS

Nadine Neff for Sherry Filges – The Board reviewed the paperwork to turn the delinquent real estate taxes over to the County for collection. They did not approve and sign the forms because they were not complete.

Nadine Neff – In updating the personnel policy to coincide with the union contract, a clause regarding carrying concealed weapons came into discussion. There was further discussion regarding the legality of carrying a concealed weapon in a commercial vehicle. Supervisor Regis Thoma advised that we should get our solicitor's opinion.

Lonny Jewart – They are having backhoe issues and the equipment is being repaired. There was further discussion regarding the purchase of a tractor. The Board will get more information and prices for discussion at next month's regular monthly meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

Oil Leasing Contract - The Board agreed to have Solicitor Phil Lope negotiate on behalf of the Township.

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<u>Approve 2013 Budgets</u> - Supervisor Regis Thoma motioned to approve the 2013 General Fund Budget, Fire Tax Fund Budget, Liquid Fuels Budget, Capital Reserved Fund Budget, and Impact Fee Budget; Supervisor Brent Patten seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: The motion was approved by all.

NEW BUSINESS

<u>Distribution of Fire Tax Monies</u> – Supervisor Brian Hans motioned to turn over the \$1,228.31 to Oneida Valley; Supervisor Regis Thoma seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: The motion was approved by all.

Bonniebrook Road Sign – Since the beginning of the year, Nadine Neff has been receiving calls from Mr. Weiland on Bonniebrook Road regarding a missing sign. She contacted Butler PennDOT several times, as this is a State road. Correspondence was received from David Tomaswick at Dist 10 and an in person visit from Tony Dallafiora was received at the Township Office. PennDOT said that this is the municipalities responsibility. The documentation that they gave to support their statement states "(iv) Local authorities may install, revise or remove the following devices, and Department approval is not required: … (B) Street name signs (D3 Series)." After a discussion, of the terminology "may" the Board agreed that they are not going to replace the sign because they still feel that this is PennDOT's responsibility.

<u>Organizational Meeting Time (Monday, January 7, 2013)</u> – The Board agreed that the meeting time will be advertised for 9:00 a.m.

<u>Kenny Blatt – Wage</u> – Supervisor Brian Hans motioned to raise the wage for Kenny Blatt to 90% of the Union Wage; Supervisor Brent Patten seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: The motion was approved by all.

<u>Township Christmas Party</u> – Nadine Neff asked the Board if the employees can go off site for their Christmas Party again this year. There was no opposition.

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 Regis Thoma seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: The motion was approved by all.

ADJOURNMENT

Supervisor Brian Hans motioned to adjourn the meeting at 11:46 a.m.; Supervisor Regis Thoma seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: The motion was approved by all.

Meeting Minutes Approved January 7, 2013

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Secretary/Treasurer