

**CALN TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
BUSINESS MEETING
May 29, 2014**

The Caln Township Board of Commissioners held their business meeting, Thursday, May 29, 2014 at 253 Municipal Drive, Thorndale, PA 19372. President John Contento called the meeting to order at 7:34p.m.

Other Board Members Present:
Vice President, Cynthia Eshleman
Commissioner James Kruse
Commissioner Lorraine Tindaro
Commissioner Joshua Young

Others Present:
Township Manager Greg Prowant
Assistant Township Manager Tony Scheivert
Township Solicitor Kristin Camp
Township Engineer Jeffrey W. McClintock, PE, CFM
Fire Chief Cordisco

All present saluted the flag

President Contento noted an executive session was held before the meeting discussing legal and personnel matters.

Citizens to be Heard

Donne Urban, 54 Carlson Way asked the Board about the Heroin incident that happened at Caln Elementary. Ms. Urban stated she had spoken to the responding officer to get an update but was wondering why the township police wasn't more active. Mr. Contento stated there was no assertion made by the school board that the Caln Township Police failed to be involved. We should have been involved but that wasn't the direction that they needed us to take. We want to be involved! President Contento noted a recent meeting with several school board members and Commissioner Eshleman to work together better in the future and provide a direct line of communication between the school and township police departments.

Beth Valocchi representing the Downingtown Public Library started by thanking the Board for their annual contribution. She was there to present a request on behalf of Downingtown Library. Mrs. Valocchi stated she was there asking if the Board could contribute to the new home for the Downingtown Library. They have been raising funds and received lots of grants. The total cost is 2.3 million and they have raised 1.3 million so far. The members of the library are reaching out to all surrounding townships for a one time contribution of \$10,000 spread over three years. Mr. Young asked how much are we currently donating? Mr. Prowant responded to \$8,500.00. This money will help allow access to more computers, bigger location, along with other upgrades. Mr. Contento noted the board will discuss it further.

Ordinances and Resolutions

Ordinance 2014-01: Ordinance to Amend Police Pension Plan

President Contento entertained a motion to approve Ordinance 2014-01: Ordinance to Amend the Police Pension Plan

The ordinance was moved by Joshua Young and seconded by Jim Kruse. Polled, all aye.

Resolution 2014-08 – Amendment to Personnel Manual

President Contento entertained a motion to approve Resolution 2014-08 – Amendment to Personnel Manual in regard to health insurance.

The resolution was moved by Joshua Young and seconded by Jim Kruse. Polled, all aye.

Public Safety

Fire Chief Cordisco

Mr. Cordisco noted there were 36 fire calls. Average response time is eight minutes and fifty six seconds. There were a total of 11 responders with a total of 373 responders. They continue to manage to keep response times low. He wanted to thank Sgt. Bernard and the Township for conducting a self defense class. The recent fund drive total was \$32,948.00. They will be conducting a boot drive at different locations to get extra funds. They received a grant for firefighter's awareness for \$49,500.00. This will help get the Hepatitis B shots and a physical. Mr. Contento asked if individuals could get reimbursed. He stated he doesn't know. The new engine will cost around \$495,000.00 but they are still trying to make changes. He requested to get approval to spend up to \$500,000.00 with Four Guys Inc. as the manufacturer.

President Contento entertained a motion to move forward to negotiate a contract with Four Guys Inc. not exceeding \$500,000.00 for the new fire engine. The motion was moved by Jim Kruse and seconded by Lorraine Tindaro. Polled, all aye.

Finance

Ms. Wertz

Treasurer's Report:

Ms. Wertz reported the revenues in 2014 under Code Enforcement are higher than in 2013 year because of the Valley Township contract. Mr. Contento asked about the earned income tax flow? Ms. Wertz said we get it from Keystone Collections. We get a couple of large payments throughout the month and we get the difference at the end of the month.

Mr. Reymos asked about the monthly treasurer's reports. Mr. Prowant responded that we do give him a copy of the monthly report. Mr. Young asked about the total cost for the last few years for road crew overtime/expenses to help budget in the future given this year's storm related costs. Mr. Scheivert stated he will get that together.

Bill List

President Contento entertained a motion for the Caln Township Board of Commissioners to authorize payment for bill list checks #34013-#34106 (void checks 34015 & 34018) and Bond #1017-#1018.

The motion was so moved by Cynthia Eshleman and seconded by Lorraine Tindaro Polled, all aye.

Township Engineer

Township Engineer Jeffrey W. McClintock

Land Development Items

Kings Grant Update

Mr. McClintock indicated that there has been no response to the complaint filed from neither the bank nor from the developer at this time.

Colonial Hyundai Waiver Request

Mr. McClintock stated they are looking to install a 20 by 16 foot modular office to the east of their existing building. After reviewing the proposal with the Board, Mr. McClintock recommended that if the Board is willing to grant the waiver of land development that they consider attaching two conditions: as built plan submitted once the work is completed and resolve the outstanding stormwater items on the property in accordance with the stormwater ordinance as applicable. Mr. Contento asked about the storm water issues. Mr. McClintock stated that water ponds in the rear of the parking lot and the property owner is looking to install some type of piping system to address this issue.

President Contento entertained a motion to approve the land development water waiver request for Colonial Hyundai's request to install a 20 by 16 foot modular office with the two conditions: an as built plan be submitted upon completion of the work and resolve the outstanding stormwater items on the property in accordance with the stormwater ordinance as applicable.

The resolution was moved by Joshua Young and seconded by Jim Kruse. Polled, all aye.

Mr. Reymos asked about the presence of a car carrier on Wedge Wood Dr. Mr. McClintock noted he made them aware to not park their carrier on Lincoln Highway.

Bondsville Road Apartments LD 2013-SE Hearing

The Applicant is going to request a continuance for the hearing from June 16th to July 3rd 2014. Mr. McClintock asked permission to have the Township Solicitor accompany him to the zoning hearing for the project. The Board gave its consensus.

Capital Project Discussion

Bondsville / GO Carlson Intersection

Mr. McClintock noted he met with Commissioners Kruse and Contento, Mr. Prowant, Dave Gibbons, and Denny Howell earlier today to discuss the various options for the project. He indicated that the meeting resulted in the concept to do the following: widening the lower end, install pipe system under Bondsville that will allow us to reconfigure that s-curve, no curbing, no sidewalks, and also do a full road profile and rebuild. This will allow it to have one consistent road way width and basically a brand new road. Mr. Young wants to know how much it will cost. Mr. Kruse stated we are at \$600,000-\$800,000.00 but they are still analyzing. Mr. Kruse stated we will discuss this further sometime in July.

ARLE 2014

Mr. McClintock asked for the Board's permission to allow to process application for the ARLE Grant. He indicated a meeting is scheduled with PennDOT on June 3 to discuss the scope of the grant projects he is contemplating applying for. The Board gave consensus direction to process the application.

Mr. McClintock stated he has a meeting in the middle of June with DEP to discuss the Pedestrian Bridge. This meeting will determine the extent of the design necessary to proceed with the project.

PennDot District 6-0 Signal Retiming Initiative

Mr. McClintock stated we are waiting for Mr. Prowant to sign the agreement to move forward.

Engineering Items

Osborne Road Bridge

Mr. McClintock indicated that the Andersons have agreed to the Township's offer, thus eliminating the need to file condemnation paperwork. He also indicated that an advertisement has been published, requesting proposals for inspection services for the replacement project.

Community Services

Mr. Scheivert hoped to have the chipping wrapped up by next Thursday. Mr. Fowler and his crew will be working on inlet repairs & new sidewalks on Buchanan Dr. All the street sweeping will be done Monday and the tar bucket crew will be out filling cracks.

Township Manager

Township Manger Mr. Greg Prowant

Insurance offer regarding storm damaged sheds

Mr. Prowant discussed the shed at Park West damaged by the previous snow storm. The insurance company PIRMA offered us a proposal of \$30, 513.14. If we rebuild the shed we will receive up to an additional \$11,867.79. Mr. Prowant asked the Board to approve the proposed settlement.

Mr. Contento entertained a motion to approve the proposal of \$30, 513.14 with the Board to explore replacing the building later.

The motion was moved by Cynthia Eshleman and seconded by Joshua Young. Polled, all aye.

HUD Block Grant Update

Mr. Prowant noted that the county is requesting applications for HUD Block Grants. This happens every two years. He asked the Board to apply for the 2015-2016 Community Development Block Grant, requesting a 60% grant amount- 40% local match, to assist in funding the Moore Road Area sewer installation. This potential project would serve approximately 38 existing residential dwellings as shows on the attached June 2014 Preliminary Probable Cost Opinion. There will be a resolution for approval at the next Board of Commissioners meeting.

He noted that at the last COG meeting there was a proposal for the Cohen Law Group to audit the Verizon franchise fees.

Mr. Contento entertained a motion to participate in the audit of Verizon cable services by the Cohen Law Group at a cost not to exceed \$4,500.00

The motion was moved by Cynthia Eshleman and seconded by Joshua Young. Polled, all aye.

Minutes Approval

President Contento entertained a motion for Caln Township Board of Commissioners to approve the meeting minutes for April 10, 2014.

The motion was moved by Joshua Young and seconded by Lorraine Tindaro. Polled , all aye.

Additional Business

N/A

Boards/Commissions Update

Park & Rec:

Commissioner Young said June 6th will be our first, First Friday Event, then the following dates will be: July 11th, and then August 1st. The first summer movie will be June 20th and the concert June 8th.

Green Task:

The committee met and the community garden is open and four plots are being used.

COG:

Commissioner Young discussed the Verizon audit. Moving forward we are going to try and set up joint Emergency Operation's Centers. Brandywine conservancy made a presentation regarding the new Watershed Plan and they are trying to plant 50,000 trees by 2017.

Municipal Authority:

The Authority discussed the HUD grant application. Also discussed transferring assets and liabilities with the Board of Commissioners.

Lincoln Highway Committee

Meeting next Monday night and a couple new members have joined. The committee is engaging more property owners. They also want to focus on rebranding our image.

Mr. Reymos asked about the demolition of deteriorated structures status. Commissioner Young noted we are looking into some properties and we will move forward with them one at a time.

Historical Commission:

Commissioner Tindaro stated there will be a tour at the Hexagon House on June 1st. June 6th there will be a meeting on Carvers Court. The Old Caln Historical Society had a flea market that was a big success. An annual picnic will be held in June where new officers will be elected at this time.

DARA:

President Contento updated the Board on the heavy rain storm damage at DARA that cost \$65,000 - \$75,000. Flood water gates were built around the structures to provide protection from inflows. The rain was so heavy the storm water got into the system. There is also additional electrical work needed. The DARA Board asked for an update on our progress on our pump station proposal. The CTMA has gone forward with easement requests and we also advised DARA that the bidding documents are ready to be finalized.

Mr. Reymos asked if the DARA voting is majority or does it have to be five approvals. Mr. Contento stated it is majority unless it's going to affect the inter-municipal agreement. Mr. Reymos and Mr. Contento also discussed the ACT 537 proposal with all five members.

Zoning Hearing Board:

Postponed Hearing in June.

Planning Commission:

Postponed Meeting in June.

Public Comments

Police Departments National Night Out is August 5, 2014. There are neon bands available at the police station to recognize t Lt. Nash fundraiser for \$1.00.

Adjournment

President Content entertained a motion for the Caln Township Board of Commissioners to adjourn the meeting.

The motion was so moved by Commissioner Young and seconded by Jim Kruse. Polled, all aye
The meeting was adjourned at 9:55 p.m.