

Lower Oxford Township
Board of Supervisors Meeting Minutes
July 11, 2012

The Regular Meeting of the Lower Oxford Township Board of Supervisors was held at the Township Building, 220 Township Road, on Wednesday, July 11, 2012.

The following were in Attendance: Chairman, Kenneth L. Hershey; Vice Chairman, W. Ronald Kepler; Supervisor, W. Ralph Cheek; Roadmaster, Steve Price, Zoning Officer, Deborah Kinney, and three guests.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Kenneth L. Hershey called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & MOMENT OF SILENCE

Mr. Kenneth L. Hershey led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

PUBLIC COMMENT CONCERNING ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

None.

RECOGNITION OF THOSE ASKING TO APPEAR ON THE AGENDA

Peggy Russell – 423 Wheeler Blvd, Oxford, PA

Ms. Russell stated that the residents of Oxford Borough are excited about the new shopping center at the Oxford Commons. However, some of these Borough residents do not have cars and are looking for a place to shop. Ms. Russell is concerned that the pedestrians and people using the motorized scooters are not be able to cross over from the Oxford Mall to the Oxford Commons or from the Sacred Heart Church across where the Auto Zone is located because there are "No Pedestrian" crossing signs placed at these locations. She would like it placed in the meeting minutes that she is concerned for the kids and people who are handicapped that cannot cross at that intersection. She has contacted PennDOT and she stated that Mr. Steve Austin told her that the developer is responsible for any changes at the intersection.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Mr. Cheek moved to approve the minutes for the Board of Supervisor's meeting on June 13 2012. Mr. Kepler seconded the motion. MOTION CARRIED.

TREASURER'S REPORTS

Presentation of Bills – The Board of Supervisors reviewed the list of bills that had been paid and needed to be paid for the month of June, 2012; totaling \$65,642.84 for the General Fund and \$62, 507.61 for the Open Space Revenue Fund. Mr. Hershey moved to approve to pay the bills. Mr. Kepler seconded the motion. MOTION CARRIED.

Fiduciary Refunds – Mr. Hershey moved to transfer \$1,651.90 from the two listed escrow sub-accounts to the Master Escrow account to reimburse for legal and engineering fees. Mr. Cheek seconded the motion. MOTION CARRIED.

CORRESPONDENCE

- ✓ Berkheimer Earned Income Tax Audit for 2011
- ✓ Union Fire Co. No. 1 Municipal Fund Financial Statements for years ending December 31, 2011 and 2010.
- ✓ Letter from Natural Lands Trust announcing that they have joined forces with Montgomery County Lands Trust
- ✓ Memo from PSATS regarding their latest member service: Township Emergency Management Association
- ✓ Letter from PECO regarding their meter replacement program
- ✓ E-mail from SCCEMS, Bob Hotchiss, to the County Commissioners opposing the proposed municipal cost recovery fee
- ✓ Letter from DEP regarding the Route 10 Low Pressure Sewer Line SFPM submission
- ✓ Chester Water Authority Newsletter
- ✓ Union Fire Co. No. 1 incident listing for May

Comments: None.

BUILDING INSPECTOR

None.

CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Mrs. Kinney read the Building Permits & Zoning Violations Reports for June 2012. She issued five residential and zoning building permits, three commercial building permits, five commercial sign permits, and picked up 6 non-permitted signs for the Township. There was six complaints three of which were township violations: 264 Ashmun Ave, Lincoln University – Gray water on ground which was turned over to the Chester County Health Department; 216 Elkdale Road, Lincoln University – weed violation; 100 & 102 Elkview Road, Lincoln University – weed violation.

Subdivisions & Land Development Plans

Mrs. Kinney presented Hearthstone Subdivision and Land Development Plan, Ballymeade Subdivision and Land Development Plan, and Reedville Ventures, LLC, Land Development Plan for extensions by Resolution.

Mr. Kepler moved to adopt Resolution #2012-19 for Hearthstone Subdivision and Land Development Plan for a 180 day extension to the final plan approval. Mr. Cheek seconded the motion. MOTION CARRIED.

Mr. Kepler moved to adopt Resolution #2012-20 for Ballymeade Subdivision and Land Development Plan for a 90-day extension to the final plan approval. Mr. Cheek seconded the motion. MOTION CARRIED.

Mr. Cheek moved to adopt Resolution #2012-21 for Reedville Ventures, LLC, Land Development Plan for a 90 day extension to the final plan approval. Mr. Kepler seconded the motion. MOTION CARRIED.

Mrs. Kinney also stated that the Planning Commission met on June 28, 2012 for the regular meeting, but was dismissed for lack of a quorum. The next scheduled meeting for Thursday, July 26th has been moved up to Monday, July 23rd and advertised.

Mr. Cheek moved to approve the Zoning Officer's reports. Mr. Kepler seconded the motion. MOTION CARRIED.

ENGINEER

Mr. Cheek moved to approve the Engineer's report for June 2012. Seconded by Mr. Kepler. MOTION CARRIED.

OASA REPORT

Mr. Bob Yeatman stated that all is on schedule for the lagoon and at this point in time, they are actually a bit ahead of schedule. The plan for the sprayfield is complete and the next step is the bidding process. OASA is currently working on plans for the treatment plant.

Ron Kepler moved to approve the OASA report. Mr. Cheek seconded. MOTION CARRIED.

ROADMASTER

Mr. Price read the Roadmaster's Report. Mr. Hershey moved to approve the Roadmaster's Report. Mr. Cheek seconded the motion. MOTION CARRIED.

REGIONAL RECREATIONAL AUTHORITY

Mr. Hershey reported that the next regular meeting of the Regional Recreational Authority will be held Thursday, July 12, 2012, and will open the bids for phase #2 parking lot and walking path. Mr. Hershey also stated that Lower Oxford Township and East Nottingham Township has hauled approximately 1,000 tons of stone to the Recreational Authority site from the OASA lagoon. Lower Oxford Township worked four days at eight hours per day and \$60 per hour to equal \$1,920 in labor plus mowing at a cost of \$500. This amount will be deducted from Lower Oxford Township's contribution to the Recreational Authority.

Mr. Cheek moved to approve the Regional Recreational Authority Report. Mr. Kepler seconded. MOTION CARRIED.

HISTORICAL COMMISSION

None.

OLD BUSINESS

Comprehensive Plan – Mr. Brown reported that the Oxford Regional Comprehensive Plan Committee will meet at the Herr's Visitor Center on Wednesday, July 25, 2012 to explain this plan to the townships involved and have an opportunity for public comment and discussion.

NEW BUSINESS

There was a complaint by a resident to the Township that the intersection of Elkdale Road and Baltimore Pike has become hazardous since the Lincoln University International Cultural Center has opened.

Mr. Kepler moved to ask the Township Engineer to contact Lincoln University to do a traffic study. Mr. Cheek seconded. MOTION CARRIED

OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Hershey stated that he received a letter from Chester County Officials asking municipalities for funding for Department of Emergency Services for the development of ***Chester County Public Safety Training Campus*** in South Coatesville for \$10 million; ***upgrade major equipment*** for \$75 Million; and ***administration and maintenance costs for the County's 9-1-1 Center and all municipality EMS operations*** for \$5.3 Million annually. Mr. Hershey is concerned because it would cause the Township to place a per capita of \$5.20 per person. Lower Oxford Township has already written a letter opposing this proposal.

Mr. Kepler stated that Steve Wolfson stopped by the office to inform us that the Grand Opening for Walmart will be held on August 15, 2012. Further details will be sent to the Township for the event.

Mr. Kepler stated that Township Solicitor, Winnie Sebastian, contacted him and said that all the agreements for Route 10 sewer line will come before the Board at the August 15, 2012 Board Meeting. Mr. Campbell will dedicate the line to Lower Oxford Township and then Lower Oxford Township will dedicate the line to the Oxford Sewer Authority. Mr. Kepler also stated the urgency in this as there are 11 failed systems on Route 10.

Mr. Kepler stated that soon the Lincoln University Village sewer will need to be dedicated to Lincoln University.

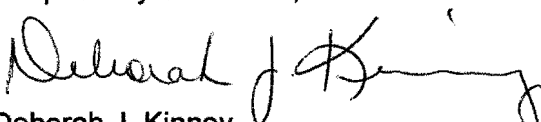
PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Cheek made a motion to adjourn at 7:50 p.m. Mr. Kepler seconded the motion. MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully Submitted,


Deborah J. Kinney
Acting Secretary

Note: Copies of all reports mentioned are available at the Lower Oxford Township Building, 220 Township Road, Oxford, PA.