

**TOWNSHIP OF INDIANA
FEBRUARY 10, 2015**

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the Township of Indiana was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Mayor Dan Taylor, with the Pledge of Allegiance. This meeting was held at Indiana Township Town Hall, and recorded on audio cassette.

Supervisors in attendance were Paul Jorgensen, Darrin J. Krally, Jeffrey D. Peck, Michael Schurko, and Daniel L. Taylor. Also in attendance were Chief of Police Robert W. Wilson, Code Enforcement Officer Jeffrey S. Curti, Engineer Daniel B. Slagle, Manager Daniel L. Anderson, Public Works Foreman John Carson, Solicitor Irving S. Firman, and Recording Secretary Carolyn A. Kustra.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

JANUARY 5, 2015, ORGANIZATION MEETING

The word "appoints" was changed to "appointment" in the last sentence on Page 2. In addition, Mr. Anderson noted the sentence "Motion carried unanimously." Needed to be added to the next-to-last paragraph on Page 1.

Mr. Schurko made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jorgensen, to approve the January 5, 2015, Organization Meeting minutes as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

CITIZENS' FORUM

NICK PIETROPAOLO, JR.-FRANCIONI HILL LANE STATUS

_____ Nick Pietropaolo of 330 Francioni Hill Lane, asked for an update on the status of the new road construction. Mr. Firman said the paving was recently completed, and guiderail will be installed within two weeks. He said landscaping matters are being worked through. Mr. Slagle said some drainage work was redone. Mr. Pietropaolo said despite the promise to keep the road open during construction, it was closed for four months, adding he wants to see it open by March 1st. Mr. Firman said in an attempt to keep things moving, the Township sent the Developer a letter, and expects that it will. Joe Pietropaolo of Francioni Hill Lane, said the drainage at the site is incorrect, and incomplete.

_____ Betsy Brown of 300 Francioni Hill Lane, said changes were recently made to the drainage system, and that drawings of them should have been sent to the Township. Mr. Slagle said he did receive some updated drawings, and the plan he received about a month ago from Pilston Surveying Inc., shows the "as built" storm sewer. He said he asked them for drawings of the entire road system but has not yet received them. Mr. Slagle said he has also received a revised tree planting plan, but has not yet responded to it. Ms. Brown said she received an email from Pilston wishing to plant the "settlement trees" on her property. She denied them permission to plant on her property at this time, because now that additional screening trees were improperly removed from Township property by the Developer, she is unsure where on her property the settlement trees should be placed to provide the most screening. She said this will now depend on if and where the Township requires the Developer to replace the trees that should not have been removed. Ms. Brown urged Board Members to require the Developer to replace the trees they incorrectly removed from Township property, since they were a source of screening as well. She said the road is now in plain view from her home since existing screening was incorrectly removed. Mr. Slagle said two remaining outstanding issues are tree planting, and guiderail installation, adding he will try to expedite this. He said the Developer has agreed to make the necessary drainage modifications. Board Members agreed that the Township should require the Developer to replace the trees that were incorrectly removed from Township property, and that this requirement be conveyed to the Developer by the Engineer. It had also been noted that the Township still holds the Developer's Bond which can be utilized if the project is not completed by the Developer.

DEVELOPMENT PROPOSALS

None submitted for consideration.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE-FEBRUARY, 2015

Mr. Peck made a motion, seconded by Mr. Krally, to approve payment of the February, 2015, expenditures as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Payments were to be made from the following funds:

General	\$190,016.98	Middle Rd Sewer Dist. No. 2	5,921.18
Developers Recreation	0.00	Ottawa Hills Sewer District	4,212.49
K-9 Fund	168.00	Rosedale Rd. Water Dist.	0.00
D.A.R.E.	0.00	Fairview Area Sewer Dist.	3,596.12
Middle Rd Sewer Dist. 1	9,521.19	<u>Payroll Fund:</u>	
Capital Improvement	146,768.21	Payroll Ending 1/11/15	82,514.41
State Fund	<u>85,168.57</u>	Payroll Ending 1/25/15	<u>85,022.20</u>
		Total	\$612,909.35

FINANCIAL REPORTS-JANUARY 2015

Each Board Member had previously received a copy of the "Expenditures and Revenues as Compared to Budget" and "Balance Sheets" for December 2014, and January, 2015.

ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE-JANUARY 2015

Each Board Member had previously received a copy of the "Accounts Receivable Statement" for January, 2015; copies were placed on file.

OLD BUSINESS

No Old Business was discussed.

REPORTS
VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANIES

No reports were submitted.

CHIEF OF POLICE

Each Board Member was previously presented with copies of the Police Department's written report for December, 2014, and January, 2015. Chief Wilson noted the Police Department's 2014 Annual Report will be available for next month's public meeting.

CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Each Board Member was previously presented with copies of the Code Enforcement Officer's monthly report for December, 2014, and January 2015, as well as the Code Enforcement Department's 2014 Year-End Report. The Indiana Township Planning Commission 2014 Annual Report was also submitted. Copies were placed on file.

Mr. Curti said he assisted the Rural Ridge Volunteer Fire Department with gathering information for its ISO Reporting.

PUBLIC WORKS FOREMAN

Each Board Member had previously received copies of the Public Works Foreman's

written report for December, 2014 and January, 2015. The 2014 Public Works Department Year End Report was also submitted; copies were placed on file.

ENGINEER

Mr. Slagle said his written report is not available at this time, and that he will provide it as soon as possible; it will be placed in the Township's files at that time. He summarized the following:

The Newland/Beatty Sewer Project was started on December 1, 2014, and was completed and tested on January 15, 2015. The Township has been asked to now take over this sewer. Mr. Slagle recommended the Township approve this sewer line extension.

Mr. Peck made a motion, seconded by Mr. Schurko, to adopt the Newland/Beatty Sewer Extension as recommended by the Engineer. Motion carried unanimously.

The Township's MS4 Annual Report is being prepared. The Pine Creek Watershed is proposing a joint municipal TMDL Strategy. The PADEP has started Administrative Audits. The Cove Run Road project is approximately 90% complete, with completion scheduled for April 2015, and paving to follow. Estimate No. 7 for Mele & Mele, and Sons, Inc. in the amount of \$50,970.01 was presented to Board Members for approval. It was noted that the Township is still holding \$200,573.15 in retainer.

Mr. Krally made a motion, seconded by Mr. Schurko, to approve payment of Estimate #7 to Mele & Mele, & Sons, in the amount of \$50,970.01. Motion carried unanimously.

Bid Solicitation requirements are being coordinated with the ACDD relative to the Public Works Maintenance Building. Bids were opened on January 29, 2015. The combination low Base Bid was \$2,283,258.50 with Alternates to reduce the bid to \$2,027,487.50. No action was taken on this matter pending review and consideration of all bid documents.

DAWN DIMEDIO

Architect Dawn DiMedio provided Board Members with a Bid Tabulation for construction of the Public Works Maintenance Building, documenting the apparent low bidders for various components of the construction project. She said ten percent (10%) must be added to the total amount for municipal costs, which include such things as legal and engineering costs, etc. She said the total cost of construction is approximately \$800,000 more than anticipated, adding this can be attributed to a 2,500 sq. ft. increase in the building size since planning began, as well as costs for revamping all of the utility work, and providing a stable base material for construction.

SOLICITOR

Mr. Firman requested a short executive session following the meeting to discuss litigation.

MANAGER

Mr. Anderson said he would like to add Possible adoption of Resolution 2015-03,

authorizing an application to the PA Municipal Assistance Program (Floodplain Ordinance Grant Application) to "New Business" on this evening's agenda.

Mr. Anderson provided Board Members with his written report, which he reviewed for the audience. Among other items, Mr. Anderson noted that the Township has applied for a Dirt and Gravel Road Grant in the amount of \$80,000 for resurfacing 1.09 miles of Cedar Run Road from the intersection of Shaffer Run Road to the top of the watershed, with Driving Surface Aggregate (DSA). DSA is a mixture of crushed stone developed specifically as a surface wearing course for unpaved roads designed to produce a durable road surface that performs better than conventional aggregates. The Township will provide in-kind support in the amount of \$46,791 for equipment, labor, and materials.

PARK & RECREATION BOARD

It was noted that a meeting was held in January; however, none was held in February due to a lack of quorum.

HISTORICAL COMMISSION

No report submitted.

SUPERVISORS

MR. PECK

Mr. Peck had nothing new to report.

MR. KRALLY

Mr. Krally had nothing new to report.

MR. SCHURKO

Mr. Schurko had nothing to report.

MR. JORGENSEN

Mr. Jorgensen had nothing to report.

MR. TAYLOR

Mr. Taylor had nothing to report.

Mr. Jorgensen made a motion, seconded by Mr. Schurko, to accept the foregoing reports as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE

GULICK UNIT 9H-RANGE RESOURCES, OIL AND GAS ACT 223/13

Each Board Member had previously received a copy of a letter from Range Resources, notifying the Township of a proposed gas well site (Gulick Unit 9H) in neighboring Frazer Township.

NEW BUSINESS

DISCUSSION RE: PUBLIC WORKS GARAGE BIDS

Previously discussed (Page 3).

**POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF THE AGREEMENT WITH TEAMSTER LOCAL UNION #205-
OFFICE CLERICAL EMPLOYEES**

Mr. Peck made a motion, seconded by Mr. Krally, to approve a three year Teamster Local Union #205 Contract for Office Clerical Employees, effective January 1, 2015, as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

**POSSIBLE ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION 2015-03, GRANT APPLICATION FOR
FLOODPLAIN ORDINANCE**

Mr. Krally made a motion, seconded by Mr. Peck, to adopt Resolution 2015-03, authorizing a Grant Application to the PA Municipal Assistance Program for the Township's Floodplain Ordinance. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:52 p.m. It was announced that an Executive Session would follow immediately afterwards to discuss litigation issues.

Daniel L. Anderson
Manager

