

MADISON TOWNSHIP

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MINUTES OF AUGUST 11, 2014

The August 11, 2014 meeting of the Madison Township Supervisors was called to order by Claire Swartz at 7:00 PM. Attending were, Claire Swartz, Glenn Titman, Michelle Densberger, Nancy Welliver, Gary Williams, Charlotte Welliver, OIC Swank, and Peggy Long.

RECOGNITION OF GUESTS

MINUTES

Peggy Long presented the minutes of July 14, 2014. *Michelle Densberger made a motion to accept the minutes of July 14, 2014. Glenn Titman seconded the motion. Motion carried.*

FINANCIAL REPORTS

The financial statements and bills were reviewed.

Glenn Titman made a motion to approve the financial reports and to pay bills as presented. Bills paid from General Fund were \$1,441.73. Bills paid from Liquid Fuel Fund were \$4,713.89. Bills paid during the month from the General Fund totaled \$1,170.79. Bills paid during the month from the Liquid Fuel Fund totaled \$120.00. Michelle Densberger seconded the motion. Motion carried.

MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY

No meeting this month

PLANNING COMMISSION

Michelle Densberger reviewed the Ahearn subdivision request. *Michelle Densberger made a motion to approve the Ahearn subdivision. Glenn Titman seconded the motion. Motion carried.*

TRANSFER TAX REPORT

(2 - \$1,222.55)

SEO REPORT

(1)

PERMIT OFFICER REPORT

(4)

ORDINANCE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

ROAD MASTER REPORT

Claire Swartz asked if Paul Shultz was taken care of. Glenn Titman said they were up and cleaned up the ditches. Mr. Shultz would like to cut and redo his driveway. Glenn said if he does that we will get shale and build the ditch back up.

Glenn Titman got estimates from Crone and Crawford for Humpty Dumpty Road repairs. They

reviewed both quotes. Michelle Densberger noted this is an emergency and we can apply for grant money and still have Crone do the work. She will check with Barry Travelpiece tomorrow. Glenn Titman noted there are some very old radio equipment (20 years) at the shed that are no good, can Glenn get rid of them. They can be recycled. Michelle asked if there is an equipment list. Secretary noted it is an old list. Michelle suggested we take off the old radios and light bar.

OLD BUSINESS

Michelle sent another email to ATF concerning the missing guns and no break thoughts. He did suggest we file a formal letter listing the serial numbers of the guns and make them aware that the former Police Chief had traded or disposed of the fire arms at the form D & R store in Bloomsburg. The Township is no longer in possession nor do we have any of the records of these guns and we want the ATF to be aware of this. This will release the Township of any future problems. Letter should be sent certified to ATF and a copy to the state police. We need to cut our losses and learn from this. Records need to be kept as well as when equipment is disposed of. *Michelle Densberger made a motion to send ATF a certified letter and copy to State Police. Glenn Titman seconded. Motion carried.*

Michelle recommended we try to resolve with Ted Stout. He is willing to pay for five items in the amount of \$627.98. If we can get the \$627.98 back and not have the expense to go to court it would be better. Nancy Welliver questioned the other items listed as in the office. Michelle noted most of the stuff is not known if it was ours or Millville's. Nancy said if there are two items one would be ours and the other would be Millville's. *Michelle Densberger made a motion to give Ted Stout a bill for \$627.98 to close this matter. Glenn Titman seconded the motion. Motion carried.* She will call Barry Lewis tomorrow to make sure all this done legally. We need something in writing from him stating he will not come back on the Township for anything in the future.

NEW BUSINESS

Hemlock Township is going to sell their 2008 Crown Vic police car. It has 80,000 plus miles, half of what ours has. They plan to put it out for bid tomorrow. They would take \$3,000.00 from us. The lights, console, radio, and siren are out of the car. Chief Van Dine has a spare console and siren he will give us. We now have a 2003 Crown Vic with 140,000 miles and the air conditioner does not work. Gary Williams asked if we really need two police vehicles. Michelle noted the SUV is good in the winter and the car is more economic on fuel and is used for speed patrols. We also loan it out if Millville or Greenwood would break down and need it. It is not so much if we need it, we weren't even looking, but a great bang for the buck. With no air conditioner in the car you can't ask the officers to drive like that. Glenn Titman noted we need two cars to run speed. We have been co-oping with Benton to use their speed machine. We use their machine and they use our labor. Nancy Welliver asked if that was why Madison's Police officer was at the Benton Carnival (Rodeo) for 6 hours. Michelle said maybe that was the agreement. Michelle not aware but will find out. We budgeted \$20,000.00 for equipment (road budget) and have \$2,262.00 left. We didn't budget for police car. Her thought was to pull \$2,000.00 from road and the other \$1,000.00 from police. Claire Swartz noted we can sell the old car to recoup some of the money. Hemlock would like to know tomorrow or they will be putting out an ad. Michelle reported DiFebo said it would probably cost \$800.00 to \$1,000.00 to fix the air conditioner in the old car. Claire Swartz said we could probably get \$400.00 for the car if scraped. Claire Swartz concerned there won't be any major problems. We can have a mechanic look it over first. Michelle asked OIC Swank if he could give up some of his budget to get the car. Swank will look over his budget and come up with something. OIC Swank has a light bar and siren pack that was given to him to use where needed. Glenn Titman asked who

owned them. Swank said the Montour Count Sherriff's Department gave him the one light bar to use where needed. The inside light bar was given to him by the Danville Police Chief to use where needed. Glenn Titman asked if we need 2 cars to run speed. Swank said you only need 1 car with the stop watch. The N-rad takes 2. There is a new machine that is wireless but it cost about \$4,000.00. He suggested going together with Greenwood to purchase the machine. Michelle was concerned if down the road things weren't on a friendly basis how we would handle the purchase.

Glenn Titman made a motion to purchase the 2008 Ford Crown Vic from Hemlock Township, pending mechanic approval, for \$3,000.00. Michelle Densberger seconded the motion. Motion carried.

POLICE

Michelle Densberger asked about officer working at the Benton Rodeo. Swank said Benton ran speed for us and asked if we could send someone for the Rodeo. Swank will be having wrist surgery on August 25th and will be out for 5 weeks. He will stop in to check paper work.

CORRESPONDENCE

Letter from Penn Dot advising they will be doing construction on a bridge at Eysersgrove Road in 2015, and will be detouring traffic.

Planning Commission received information on a Pipeline Safety Program. We don't have anything yet, maybe in the future.

Email from EMS concerning the NIMS programs. If they can get 10 people to attend they will do the 100 & 700 programs in a classroom setting. Glenn & Claire need the courses and would attend. Michelle will email them tomorrow.

FOR THE GOOD OF THE TOWNSHIP

Charlotte Welliver has been approached about people wanting to be buried at Katys Church. The only way they could do this would be if they were cremated. They are considering constructing a 12 to 14 unit building for cremated remains. She questioned if they will need a permit. She should check with Chris Bower.

Nancy said the roof is finished, the bell tower was repaired, and some painting has been done. Still need some painting and cleaning. Michelle noted the Millville School District requires the Honor Student to do "X" amount of volunteer community services. She suggested someone call the school, they will make a list of jobs available for the students.

ADJOURNMENT

Michelle Densberger made a motion to adjourn at 8:47 PM. Glenn Titman seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Long
Secretary/Treasurer