

Regular Monthly Meeting
November 13, 2014

The regular monthly meeting of the Shenango Township Board of Supervisors was held on Thursday, November 13, 2014, at 6:00 p.m. at the Shenango Township Municipal Building, with Supervisors Russell Riley, William Albertini and Albert Burick, III, present.

Present at the Meeting:

Joe Budai
Don Parshall
Barbara Thompson

Marsha Presnar
Fred Kobbe

The meeting was opened with a salute to the flag.

The minutes were approved from the regular monthly meeting of October 9, 2014.

Superintendent William Phillips gave the monthly police report and said the police department has received the ENRADD unit.

Mr. Riley gave the monthly fire department report.

Public Comment:

Barb Thompson, Boyd School Road, commented that right after the supervisors said they could not comment on the investigation, a couple days later there was an article in the New Castle News. Solicitor Lou Perrotta said the District Attorney is doing the investigation, and after a search warrant is filed, anyone can go to the courthouse to review it.

William Cheslock, Old Princeton Road, asked if there is any way to recoup the amount of money lost over and above the \$400,000.00 bond. Mr. Riley said they are looking into that at this time. Solicitor Perrotta said there are options.

Joe Budai, Melody Lane, asked if there is any way to prevent flight of either of the men. Mr. Riley said we will have to wait and see.

Marsha Presnar, Circle Drive, said it was mentioned that there were several credit cards. Mr. Burick said there were multiple cards but all under one account. Mr. Burick said there is only a debit card at this time and all three signatures are on the card, and explained there are certain items which have been and may need to be purchased that will not take a check and they need the debit card for those items.

Fred Kobbe, Stewart Avenue, asked about the four to five years of liquid fuels money that were never applied for. Mr. Albertini explained that that was county liquid fuels and that we never missed applying for our liquid fuels money.

Bill Cheslock thanked the supervisors for paving done on Old Princeton Road.

Don Parshall, Summerlin Drive, asked why nothing has been done to fix Orchardale Drive. The supervisors agreed it needs repaired and agreed to put some cold patch on it at this time, until something can be done next year.

Dave Wagner, Old Butler Road, wanted to know what the paper meant when they were talking about people getting water and sewers and mentioned unsewered areas. Mr. Albertini said they talked about Old Butler Road and Shepherd Lane and it could possibly be that area, also, for water. Mr. Burick said it was all part of the 537 Plan.

Barb Thompson said she heard Dunham's was moving to Union Township and wanted to know if it was true, and said she also heard they wanted to closed Lawrence Village Plaza. The supervisors said they knew nothing about that. Barb asked if there is a chance that a grocery store would be going in the plaza and Mr. Riley said no.

Mr. Cheslock asked if there are plans to bring business into the township. Mr. Burick explained the Comprehensive Plan that has been worked on that looks at future growth and it should be ready by March, since it is a 16-month process.

Mr. Perrotta said the township is to be commended for participating in getting two new businesses in the township. Mr. Riley explained a new business is going into the Industrial Park and Portersville Valve should be opening in February of next year.

Barb Thompson asked what is going on with Hill View Manor. Mr. Riley said people have been inquiring about purchasing it.

New Business:

Motion by Mr. Albertini second by Mr. Burick to approve payment of the General Fund Expenses. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Albertini second by Mr. Burick to approve payment of the Payroll Expenses. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Albertini second by Mr. Burick to approve payment of the Park Fund Expenses. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Albertini second by Mr. Burick to approve payment of the Fire Tax Fund Expenses. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Albertini second by Mr. Riley to set a date and time for a Shenango Board of Supervisors hearing on the requested zoning map change by Robert J. Yokel for his property (Tax ID #31-274-400). Mr. Burick was authorized to work on setting a date in December of 2014. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Albertini second by Mr. Riley to adopt Ordinance #3 of 2014, Joinder Agreement with the Pennsylvania State Association of Boroughs Master Retirement Trust; Township of Shenango Police Pension Plan. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Albertini second by Mr. Riley to approve the James T. Irwin, Jr. and Michele K. Irwin Subdivision, Reviewed and Approved by the Shenango Township Planning Commission and Lawrence County Planning. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Albertini second by Mr. Riley to approve the Domenic and Alice Viccari Subdivision, reviewed and approved by the Shenango Township Planning Commission and Lawrence County Planning. Motion carried.

Joe Budai asked how they made out with the house on Melody Lane. Supervisor Phillips said he filed papers about three months ago and nothing was done, then Mike Lynch filed papers last week and they have 30 days to respond. Mr. Budai asked if there is a chance they could use Community Block Grant money for it. Mr. Burick said they talked about it, but the rules are much stricter now and it is income-based with the houses surrounding it.

Mr. Cheslock asked if the police department have decided whether they will be getting a new dog. Supervisor Phillips said Dan Tressler is leaning towards getting another one and it would probably not be until next spring. Mr. Cheslock said he would be willing to donate towards it and Supervisor Phillips said there are other residents willing to donate, also.

Motion by Mr. Albertini second by Mr. Burick to adjourn.