

Paupack Township Board of Supervisors

Meeting Minutes September 11, 2014

The Paupack Township Board of Supervisors conducted their monthly meeting on Thursday, September 11, 2014 at the Township Municipal Building. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 P.M. by Chairperson Bruce Chandler.

The following Township Officials were present at the meeting:

Bruce Chandler, Chairperson
Diana Stromberg, Secretary

Tom Oakley, Supervisor
Ron Bugaj, Solicitor

Leigh Gilbert, Supervisor

The following members of the public were present at the meeting:

Katie Collins
Dan Braun

Karen Lutz
Steve Rabel

Karl Hennings
Melanie Stockwell

Frank Williams
David Miller

Jean Corey
George Ammerman

Chairperson Bruce Chandler opened the meeting by asking all present to participate in the Pledge of Allegiance. Immediately following, Chandler asked for a moment of silence for the victims of 9/11. The minutes of the August 14, 2014 Supervisors meeting were presented. A motion was made by Leigh Gilbert to approve the meeting minutes seconded by Tom Oakley. The motion carried 3-0.

The Treasurer's Report was presented. Tom Oakley made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as submitted seconded by Leigh Gilbert. The motion carried 3-0.

The bills, totaling \$138,431.79, were presented. Following a review, Leigh Gilbert made a motion to accept the bills as presented, and pay same, August 15, 2014 to September 11, 2014. Tom Oakley seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0. A list of the bills is on file.

Davis Subdivision; (2014-10): This land subdivision is located in Wallenpaupack Lake Estates development in Paupack Township. Surveyor Karl Hennings presented maps. The condition set by the Township Planning Commission was met. A deed was drawn and presented to Solicitor Ron Bugaj for review. Bugaj stated that the deed was good. A motion was made by Bruce Chandler to approve this lot consolidation seconded by Tom Oakley. The motion carried 3-0.

Resolutions for PSATS Health and Pension Amendments and Declarations: A motion was made by Bruce Chandler seconded by Tom Oakley to approve the amendments and restated declarations of the health/disability and pension declarations. Motion carried 3-0.

Resolution 2014-31: A motion was made by Tom Oakley seconded by Leigh Gilbert to approve a resolution authorizing submission for a DCED grant for the repaving of the Lakeville Volunteer Firehouse parking lot.

Watershed Funding: A motion was made by Tom Oakley seconded by Bruce Chandler to release a check in the amount of \$10,000 to the Lake Wallenpaupack Watershed Management District. Motion carried 3-0.

Disbursement of Fire Taxes: Tom Oakley made a motion to release the remaining monies from the Fire Tax account to the Lakeville Fire Company. The motion was seconded by Leigh Gilbert. Motion carried 3-0.

Review Bids for Pole Building and Salt Shed: Five bids for the pole building were received and opened at the August 28, 2014 meeting of the Board. No action was taken at that meeting. Supervisor Oakley stated that all bids came in high. Oakley made a motion to reject all five (5) bids, seconded by Leigh Gilbert. The motion carried 3-0. One (1) bid for the salt shed was received and opened at the same meeting. The bid came in high. Tom Oakley made a motion to reject the bid, seconded by Leigh Gilbert. The motion carried 3-0. A motion was made by Tom Oakley seconded by Bruce Chandler to redesign the projects and re-solicit for bids at a later date. Motion carried 3-0.

WLE POA letter to Township Solicitor requesting tax exempt status: Solicitor Ron Bugaj gave explanation of the letter.

Goose Pond Road Property Maintenance Issue: Tom Oakley explained the current issue and stated that the owner responded by submitting an affidavit stating it was a recreational cabin and therefore is exempt from UCC codes. Solicitor Bugaj gave explanation about recreational cabins and advised the supervisors to reject and deny the affidavit.

Paradise Point Zoning Issue: Letters have been sent to the owner and the deadline to resolve the issue has been reached. The owner has not responded and the file has been turned over to the township solicitor. Supervisors have authorized him to take further action.

Woodland Hills Septic Issue: After numerous inspections by township supervisors and the township SEO, the septic system has been found faulty. The owner is cooperating and is increasing the septic system capacity an additional fifty per cent. The issue should be resolved within the next few weeks.

Headleys Road Property Maintenance Issue: The deadline for cooperation in resolving the property maintenance issues with loose chickens in the roadway and line of sight issues has been reached. The file has been turned over to the township solicitor for further action.

Recreation Park Update: The project at the park is fully completed. Tom Oakley also stated that the "geese away" light has been installed at the pond and is working. The geese have not been back since the installation.

LED Sign: The sign is up and running. Once the township receives the proper training for its operation, the township will give the final invoice to the Lakeville Fire Dept. for payment.

Building & Zoning Updates: Supervisor Leigh Gilbert gave an update. There were 12 permit applications for the month of August, 2014.

Township Fall Clean Up: The date for the Fall Clean Up is September 20, 2014 from 8:00 am to noon.

Fire Department Log: There were 17 calls during the month of August 2014.

Ambulance Log: There were 42 calls made during the month of August 2014.

Correspondence: Supervisor Bruce Chandler read all incoming correspondence. In response to a letter received from a resident with complaints of graffiti on the Martin Creek Bridge, he stated that the township will make an effort to clean it off.

Public Comment: Frank Williams announced that there will be a meeting of the Hemlock Hollow School Association on October 8, 2014 at 6:30pm at the schoolhouse. The agenda is to adopt new bi-laws and obtain a 501C3.

New Business: Solicitor Bugaj discussed the recent meeting of the planning commission with SEO Chris Martin and County Planning representative Craig Rickard. He explained that presentations on the sewage process were given followed by discussions concerning component 1 planning modules on subdivisions. He expressed to the supervisors the idea of implementing a new process related to the release of maps prior to DEP approval. After some discussion, a motion was made by Bruce Chandler seconded by Tom Oakley that maps are to be held until DEP approval of planning modules is received. The motion carried 3-0 and would become effective on October 1, 2014. It was agreed that letters would be sent to local surveyors informing them of the change.

Having no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 8:36pm by Chairperson Bruce Chandler.

Respectfully Submitted,



Diana Stromberg/Secretary