

Union Township Board of Supervisors
Monthly Board Meeting
May 28, 2013

The Board of Supervisors Meeting was called to order by Chairperson Linda Evans-Boren at 7:05 pm. The meeting was held at the Union Township Municipal Building, 3904 Finleyville-Elrama Road, Finleyville, PA. The pledge of allegiance was recited. Board Members in Attendance by roll call were Steve Parish, Larry Spahr, Andrew Tullai, and Brenda Cushey. Also in attendance: Harold Ivery, Jr.-Building Code Official, Peter Grieb-Interim Zoning/Code Enforcement Officer, Chris Furman-Solicitor, Carl Dei Cas-Engineer, Judith Taylor-Treasurer/Assistant Secretary.

Public Comment

None

Motion to approve minutes of April 22, 2013 regular Board meeting, as presented by the Secretary, subject to being true and correct
Motion by Brenda Cushey, Second by Larry Spahr
Roll call vote: Parish-yes, Spahr-yes, Evans-Boren-yes, Tullai-yes, Cushey-yes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve minutes of May 13, 2013 regular Board meeting, as presented by the Secretary, subject to being true and correct
Motion by Andrew Tullai, Second by Brenda Cushey
Roll call vote: Parish-yes, Spahr-yes, Evans-Boren-yes, Tullai-yes, Cushey-yes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve minutes of April 1, 2013 codification workshop, as presented by the Secretary, subject to being true and correct
Motion by Larry Spahr, Second by Brenda Cushey
Roll call vote: Parish-yes, Spahr-yes, Evans-Boren-yes, Tullai-yes, Cushey-yes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve minutes of April 29, 2013 codification workshop, as presented by the Secretary, subject to being true and correct
Motion by Brenda Cushey, Second by Larry Spahr
Roll call vote: Parish-yes, Spahr-yes, Evans-Boren-yes, Tullai-abstain, Cushey-yes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve payroll #9 dated April 26, 2013 in the amount of \$9,804.41 as presented by the Treasurer, subject to being true and correct
Motion by Larry Spahr, Second by Brenda Cushey
Roll call vote: Parish-yes, Spahr-yes, Evans-Boren-yes, Tullai-yes, Cushey-yes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve payroll #10 dated May 10, 2013 in the amount of \$14,910.20 as presented by the Treasurer, subject to being true and correct
Motion by Brenda Cushey, Second by Larry Spahr
Roll call vote: Parish-yes, Spahr-yes, Evans-Boren-yes, Tullai-yes, Cushey-yes. Motion carried.

Departmental Reports

Officer Storch presented the SWRPD report regarding police services in April. He specifically reported that there are numerous trees overhanging and lying on utility lines along Route 837 that present a danger to motorists. The secretary will report this situation to Adam Smith at Penndot in Washington. Mr. Parish also noted that there are leaves obscuring the traffic light at Giant Eagle and requested Penndot be notified to trim the trees in that location. The issue of differing speed limits on Finleyville-Elrama Road, SR 1006, was discussed. The speed limit changes from 35 mph to 40 mph then back to 35 mph. Albert Banahasky pointed out that a single section of Brownsville Road Extension has a 45 mph speed limit. The secretary will contact Rick Skovensky, Penndot Municipal Services, to request Penndot do a traffic study to establish a uniform speed limit on both roads.

The zoning officer reported that Dollar General has submitted payment for their building permit for the proposed store on Route. 88. Mr. Ivery also noted that there have been several complaints that Tomko has been excavating on their site on Route 88 again creating excessive dust, allegedly burning at odd hours, and working on Sunday in violation of township ordinances. The solicitor will send a letter to Tomko's attorney.

The engineer reported on the feasibility of installing public sewers in a portion of the Piney Fork Watershed in Union Township to flow through an interceptor in South Park to the treatment plant owned by Bethel Park Municipal Authority. There are approximately twenty homes that would be included in the project. It is Mr. DeiCas's opinion that there is adequate capacity in the interceptor and at the treatment facility. He recommended that the Board meet with Bethel Park Municipal Authority to discuss the issue.

Motion to approve to send a letter to Bethel Park Municipal Authority to request a meeting to discuss the possibility of connecting a limited number of homes in Union Township to the Bethel Park sewerage system
Motion by Brenda Cushey, Second by Larry Spahr
Roll call vote: Parish-yes, Spahr-yes, Evans-Boren-yes, Tullai-yes, Cushey-yes. Motion carried.

The Recreation Board presented a quote to install a new slide to replace the one removed from Brownsville Road Park, and a quote for a double-wide grill to be installed near the concession stand. Mr. Parish recommended that the Rec Board consider a plan to replace all of the playground equipment together instead of just the individual slide.

Motion to approve the purchase and installation of a double-wide grill at the Brownsville Road Park for a cost of \$371 plus shipping

Motion by Andrew Tullai, Second by Brenda Cushey

Roll call vote: Parish-yes, Spahr-yes, Evans-Boren-yes, Tullai-yes, Cushey-yes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve payment of the general fund invoices in the amount of \$22,117.35 as of May 28, 2013, as presented by the Treasurer, subject to being true and correct

Motion by Andrew Tullai, Second by Brenda Cushey

Roll call vote: Parish-yes, Spahr-yes, Evans-Boren-yes, Tullai-yes, Cushey-yes. Motion carried.

Motion to advertise the parking ordinance, Ordinance 2013-02 as amended

Motion by Larry Spahr, Second by Brenda Cushey

Roll call vote: Parish-yes, Spahr-yes, Evans-Boren-yes, Tullai-yes, Cushey-yes. Motion carried.

The Board discussed sending a mass mailing to all residents of the Township to acquaint them with the new parking regulations. The mailing was held in abeyance since notification of other ordinance requirements under review through the codification process could also be included.

Motion to approve mileage reimbursement at the IRS approved rate, currently \$.565, for the intern working on the Sign Management GIS project

Motion by Larry Spahr, Second by Andrew Tullai

Roll call vote: Parish-yes, Spahr-yes, Evans-Boren-yes, Tullai-yes, Cushey-yes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve the Department of the Army License Agreement No. DACA 31-3-13-347, which grants permission to the Township to erect a temporary salt shed on Nike Site 43

Motion by Brenda Cushey, Second by Larry Spahr

Roll call vote: Parish-yes, Spahr-yes, Evans-Boren-yes, Tullai-yes, Cushey-yes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve the engineer to review the proposed salt shed design with the Road Superintendent and prepare specifications for the June 10, 2013 Board meeting

Motion by Larry Spahr, Second by Brenda Cushey

Roll call vote: Parish-yes, Spahr-yes, Evans-Boren-yes, Tullai-yes, Cushey-yes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve the Union Gardens grading permit as recommended by the engineer

Motion by Steve Parish, Second by Brenda Cushey

Roll call vote: Parish-yes, Spahr-yes, Evans-Boren-yes, Tullai-yes, Cushey-yes. Motion carried.

The proposed supervisors pay ordinance was held for review.

Motion to accept the resignation of Anne Boyle from the Recreation Board

Motion by Larry Spahr, Second by Brenda Cushey

Roll call vote: Parish-yes, Spahr-yes, Evans-Boren-yes, Tullai-yes, Cushey-yes. Motion carried.

Motion to advertise for letters of interest for appointment of members to the Recreation Board

Motion by Larry Spahr, Second by Brenda Cushey

Roll call vote: Parish-yes, Spahr-yes, Evans-Boren-yes, Tullai-yes, Cushey-yes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve the purchase and installation of two eight-foot gates, with adequate support to resist sagging when opened or climbed on by children, at the entrance to the upper soccer field at Brownsville Road Park

Motion by Larry Spahr, Second by Brenda Cushey

Roll call vote: Parish-yes, Spahr-yes, Evans-Boren-yes, Tullai-yes, Cushey-yes. Motion carried.

The Board agreed to consider the possibility of keeping the gates and bathrooms unlocked for extended hours at the Brownsville Road Park in response to likely increased use once the walking trail and basketball court are installed. The road crew will place a new sign at the top gate notifying the presence of camera surveillance at the park.

Motion to purchase fifty (50) plastic reflective delineator posts to be installed on Township roads at culverts and sharp curves to aid in visibility at night and in inclement weather for a cost of approximately \$1,600

Motion by Brenda Cushey, Second by Larry Spahr

Roll call vote: Parish-yes, Spahr-yes, Evans-Boren-yes, Tullai-yes, Cushey-yes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve the Road Superintendent and any supervisor to attend a pre-construction meeting with Geokinetics regarding seismic testing in the Township

Motion by Larry Spahr, Second by Brenda Cushey

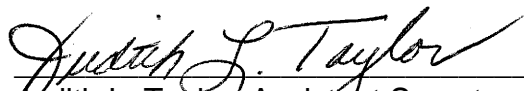
Roll call vote: Parish-yes, Spahr-yes, Evans-Boren-yes, Tullai-yes, Cushey-yes. Motion carried.

Mr. Spahr commented that the area of McChain Road near Agulia Lane has an exposed gas line that still needs to be addressed before the Township can install guiderails.

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 p.m.

Motion by Steve Parish, Second by Larry Spahr

Roll call vote: Parish-yes, Spahr-yes, Evans-Boren-yes, Tullai-yes, Cushey-yes. Motion carried.


Judith L. Taylor, Assistant Secretary