

**West Donegal Township Supervisors
Workshop
October 27, 2014**

The workshop meeting of the Supervisors was held at 7:00 p.m. at the Township Municipal Building. Chairman Roger Snyder called the meeting to order with the following Supervisors in attendance: Ralph Horne, Doug Hottenstein, and John Yoder. Clair Hilsher was absent. Also in attendance were Zoning Officer Wayne Miller, Township Manager, Gene Oldham, and Township Roadmaster Jeff Templin.

- I. **Call to Order**
- II. **Pledge of Allegiance/ Silent Prayer/ Tape Announcement**
- III. **Roll Call of Supervisors** – All Supervisors were present, except Clair Hilsher.
- IV. **Approval of October 13, 2014 Meeting Minutes**– Motion by Supervisor Horne/Supervisor Hottenstein to approve. Motion carries.
- V. **Public Comments** – Tom Dabbs from 1220 Turnpike Road asked if any of the Supervisors will be present when the bridge is removed on Newville Road. Manager Oldham noted that only Supervisor Horne, Supervisor Yoder and he are the ones that took the safety course and are approved to be on site; however, the removal of the bridge is going to take place overnight, so they may not be present when that happens. The tentative schedule for this week is removing the fence tonight, clearing and deck removal tomorrow; Thursday they will remove the beams; Friday they will be removing the transmission and signal lines; and Saturday, November 1st from 11pm-5am, they will remove the bridge. Sunday, November 2nd the electric will be restored and Amtrak will be able to be back on line.

Mark Hershey from Elizabethtown Friendship Fire Company is present and requests that the Board seriously consider adding in a fire tax to help offset the lack of funds they receive from fundraising. Chuck Stanford from Rheems Fire Department is also present and seconds the implementing of a fire tax. They both noted there are ways to keep the taxes almost the same by adjusting the millage rate.

- VI. **Action Items**
 - A. **Approve/Reject the Snow Removal Contracts for winter 2014/2015.** -- Motion by Supervisor Yoder/Supervisor Hottenstein to approve. Motion carries.
 - B. **Approve/Reject the Agreement providing for construction of required improvements for Levi F. and Katie Z. Stoltzfus, 1595 Maytown Road.** – Manager Oldham notes that Solicitor Cleary drafted an agreement that will be sent to the Stoltzfus' for their review and signatures. Motion by Supervisor Horne/Supervisor Yoder to approve. Motion carries.
 - C. **Approve/Reject the Lot Add-on Plan for Conoy Brethren in Christ Church, WDT 14-11, subject to the Engineer's letter of October 14, 2014, Township Solicitor's letter of September 12, 2014, and LCPC Memorandum, dated September 29, 2014.** – Motion by Supervisor Yoder/Supervisor Horne to approve. Motion carries.
- VII. **Discussion Items**
 - A. **Newville Road Bridge** – This was already discussed in the public comments.
 - B. **Salt Purchase** – Manager Oldham noted that they have it in the budget to purchase 200 tons for this year which is the same amount as last year. The board agrees to purchase that amount.
 - C. **Regional Elected Officials Meeting, October 30, 2014 @ 7 p.m. at Mount Joy Township, 3 members, Township seal.**– Supervisor Horne, Supervisor Hottenstein, Supervisor Yoder and Manager Oldham will be attending this.
 - D. **2015 Budget** – The Supervisors discussed the budget.

- VIII. **Executive Session** – There was an Executive Session after the meeting but no decisions were made.
- IX. **Bills Payable (Final Unpaid List Subject to Audit)**-- Motion by Supervisor Yoder/Supervisor Horne to approve. Motion carries.
- X. **Adjourn** -- Motion by Supervisor Yoder/Supervisor Horne to approve. Motion carries. Meeting adjourns at 8:45pm.

Prepared by April Miller for

J. Clair Hilsher, Secretary