

**Upper Paxton Township Board of Supervisors  
Regular Monthly Meeting  
June 10, 2015**

Those in attendance: Ron Hepner, John Orr, and Robert Stoner, Supervisors; Betty Warfel, Secretary/Treasurer; Peter Howland, Esquire; and Luanna Zimmerman, Manager, and Bill Burch.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Hepner at 7:00 p.m. All present recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

**Public Comments:** None

**Approval of Minutes and Financial Report:** Minutes of the May 13th monthly meeting, the May 20<sup>th</sup> Special Meeting for Chelton Avenue, the May 22<sup>nd</sup> Opening Project Bids Meeting, and the May 27th workshop meeting were reviewed by the Supervisors. John Orr made a motion to approve the minutes of the May meetings. Second by Robert Stoner. With all in favor, motion carried. Treasurer Warfel presented a monthly financial report and list of bills for payment. Upon review of financial documents, John Orr made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report as presented and pay the bills. Second by Robert Stoner. With all in favor, motion carried.

**Old Business:**

1. Supervisors addressed entering into the proposed agreement to join other municipalities to have the Cohen Law Group prepare wireless facilities ordinance by the June 15<sup>th</sup> deadline. Ron Hepner reported that the other COG municipalities did not express interest in participating in the agreement. Attorney Howland informed the Board that we could prepare our own ordinance. Supervisors decided to table this matter until we begin the upcoming revision of current ordinances. Manager Zimmerman will conduct research on wireless facilities ordinances for consideration at that time.

2. Chairman Hepner reported that the Township may not receive grant money under the Millersburg Borough Stormwater Project to help cover the cost of permanent repairs on Chelton Avenue. The Township has acted in good faith to cover the cost of the temporary repairs done under the emergency permit. Under the original grant proposal, the cost of the Township's retention pond was included. There is no indication on the current plan as to how this money had been reallocated. Supervisors expressed the opinion that the Township's section of the project on Chelton Avenue should have been included in the original stormwater project under the Brinjac Plan. The storm sewer is only as strong as its weakest point. The starting point of the project should be at the outlet and not at the start of the stormwater problem. The grant monies for the project are derived from HUD funds under FEMA guidelines. If the Township's section of the project is not completed, the Borough's section will fail during a major rainfall event. Therefore, if the Township is expected to complete its portion of the project, Supervisors would like to have the grant monies reallocated on a prorated basis between the Borough and the Township to help cover our cost. The Township's engineer, Gannet Flemming proposed an alternate plan; however, Brinjac's engineers expressed the opinion that the plan was not acceptable. Supervisors reviewed Brinjac's plan with Attorney Howland. John Orr will discuss this matter with George Connor of DCED. Pending the outcome of this discussion, a draft letter outlining the Township's

position will be prepared. At the current time, the Township will pay the cost of the temporary repairs and close Chelton Avenue to traffic.

### **New Business**

1. Bill Burch addressed the Board with respect to the Robert and Lois Boyer Subdivision Plan. Burch and the Supervisors discussed the comments contained in the correspondence received from Light-Heigel, Zoning Officer. Burch reported that Brian McFeaters, Sewage Enforcement Officer, had performed the necessary testing and issued the required septic permit. The Boyers' home was destroyed in a fire. They are proposing to build a new residence on the adjoining lot, which they also own. The Subdivision Plan proposes that the Boyers be allowed to add the lot as a sideyard addition. The Dauphin County Planning Commission will not meet to review and approve the plan until July 13<sup>th</sup>. Burch was requesting the Supervisors grant approval of the plan in order to expedite the process of obtaining zoning and building permits prior to receiving approval from the Planning Commission. Supervisors discussed granting approval contingent upon the Dauphin County Planning Commission not having any adverse comments that would be detrimental to its approving the plan. Ron Hepner made a motion to give contingency approval to the Robert and Lois Boyer Subdivision Plan. Second by John Orr. All in favor, motion carried. Hepner will talk to the County about this plan tomorrow. Luanna Zimmerman will inform Marty Sowers of the Board's decision.

2. Supervisors reviewed an email received from Keith Heigel with respect to the Green Street project. Also included in the email was a Scope Narrative, aerial view, and draft sketch plan of the project area. Supervisors decided to pave the area between Plum Street and the north side of Pine Street. A revised cost opinion will be requested. Supervisors prefer painted crosswalks. Light-Heigel will be directed to prepare the bid package. Luanna Zimmerman will schedule a meeting with Scott Lehman to discuss the Summers Road and Green Street projects.

3. The Board discussed preparation of a Resolution commending the Millersburg Area High School Softball and Baseball teams on their successful seasons. The teams achieved wins in the District Class A playoffs. Bob Stoner will prepare a press release recognizing the teams' accomplishments.

4. Preparation of the next edition of the Township newsletter was discussed.

**Public Comments:** None

With no further business to be discussed, Ron Hepner moved to adjourn. Second by Robert Stoner. All in favor, meeting adjourned at 8:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Betty A. Warfel, Secretary