

THURSDAY, April 4, 2013

REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

ROARING BROOK TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

The regular meeting of the Roaring Brook Township Board of Supervisors was held on Thursday April 4, 2013 at 8:00 P.M. at the Municipal Building on Blue Shutters Road. Present were Supervisors Jordan, Farischon and Schield, Atty Michael O'Brien, Gerard Hetman of Lackawanna County Community Relations, Donald Preate, Jeff Ostrowski, Nealon Family, Judith Youshock, Maron Bielovitz, Schield Family and Chief Don Hickey. Solicitor Joseph O'Brien was absent.

An executive session was held to discuss potential legal matters.

Snowman Contest Winners : 1st Place - Ostrowski Family

2nd Place – Glucksnis Family

3rd Place – Nealon Family

Snowman Sculpture – Kowalski Family

Honorable Mention – Schield Family & Jacob Motichka

Certificates and various prizes were given to the winners.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Judy Youshock and Maron Bielovitz representing the North Pocono Cultural Society asked the Supervisors if they are not using the County Arts Grant will they donate the grant funds to the NP Cultural Society. Jordan said the Township is considering asking the County if we can combine our grant funds with Elmhurst Township's grant funds for a band for the Fireman's Picnic.
- Joseph May re: letter from his mother about the driveway area at his home.
- Gerard Hetman from Lackawanna County reported it would be a few months before hearing about the Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG).
- Padfield's Bike Shop has someone interested in purchasing the building. The prospective purchaser has a masonry business and wants to use the building for storage. The building is currently in an R1 Zone so he wondered if it could be grandfathered in since it has been used for a business before.
- Solicitor will review Ordinance.
- Kozik would like to review the fee schedule with the Supervisors.

MINUTES & TREASURERS REPORT

- A **MOTION to accept the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 7, 2013 meeting** as presented, was made by Schield and seconded by Jordan. Farischon abstained because he was not at the March meeting. Motion carried with the addition in Public Comment – *residents of Golf Club Road between Griffin Road and Rte 590*. Schield reported about some of the work that we hope to do on Golf Club Road between Griffin Road and Rte 590.
- A **MOTION to accept the Accounts Payable and Payroll of April 4, 2013** as presented, was made by Farishon and seconded by Schield. Motion carried.
- A **MOTION to accept the Treasurer's Report of April 4, 2013** as presented, was made by Schield, and seconded by Farischon. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

- Letter from Joseph May of 401Donny Drive – drainage ditch under their driveway is causing soil erosion to occur and is so severe that their driveway is crumbling. Mr. May said the Township did work on the ditch in the winter of 2010 and since then it has been crumbling due to soil erosion. Mr. May said this is the second attempt his family has made to bring the Township's attention to this issue affecting their property. Mr. May said they simply request the Township to repair the damage it caused and prevent further soil erosion so their driveway doesn't collapse.
- The Lackawanna County Commissioners invitation to the Supervisors Spring Legislative Breakfast at the new PNC Field on Friday, April 19, 2013 from 8am-9am .

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- Notice from PennDOT – Highway Occupancy Permit (HOP) Training on Thursday, May 9, 2013 at two different locations.
- Letter from Tom Willard of the Crestwood Townhouse requesting the Township building for their meeting on Wednesday April 10, 2013 at 7pm.
- Letter from the North Pocono Cultural Society asking the Township if they would commit their \$500 Lackawanna County Arts & Culture Grant to the North Pocono Cultural Society along with other Townships to help sponsor events in the North Pocono area.
- Letter from St. Eulalia’s Parish requesting permission to hold their annual St. Eulalia’s 5K Run/Walk in the Township on Saturday, July 20, 2013. It will be the same race route as last year.
- Liquor License Fee Distribution from the PA Liquor Control Board in the amount of \$400.
- Memo from PSATS informing PSATS Pension Plan participants that representatives from Summit Financial Corporation, the administrators of the PSATS Pension Plans will be available during the PSATS 91st Annual Conference.
- Notice from PA Department of Transportation for Liquid Fuels Tax Fund payment in the amount of \$75,998.32 and will be paid on April 1, 2013.
- Memorandum from PSATS re: 2013 Proposed Resolutions and Bylaw Change for consideration at the 2013 PSATS’ Annual State Conference on April 21-24, 2013 in Hershey, PA.
- Letter from Scranton Board of Realtors inviting Elected Officials from the Township to the *Economic Update on Real Estate Trends and Issues* to be presented on Thursday, April 25th at the Radisson Lackawanna Station Hotel beginning at 9AM.
- Chainsaw Safety course in the Public Works Series being offered in May and June at various locations at no cost. Road Department wants to attend.
- Principles of Paving course put on by NEPA and PennDOT as part of LTAP (Local Technical Assistance Program) at the Monroe County Public Safety Center on Monday, April 15, 2013 from 8:00 am – 3:00 pm. Road Department wants to attend.

ACTION ON CORRESPONDENCE

- None.

SOLICITOR’S REPORT

- No report.

ROAD DEPARTMENT

- Report read and is on file.
- Schield wants Solicitor to send a letter to home in Windsor Hill that is for sale and has not finished their driveway.
- Dead trees on Gardner
- Schield would like to replace lights at Maintenance Building at a cost of \$100 each and we would get \$50 per light from PPL.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

- Report read and is on file.

RECYCLING

- March monthly total is 10.14 ton, year to date total is 35.57 ton that is 2.65 ton less than last year. Paper is really down.

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- No meeting.

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BUILDING PERMITS

- Reahm/Powell Inground Pool Summit Woods

PERSONS TO BE HEARD

- None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- Swings for the playground are in. There are two locations where they can be installed. Supervisors will look at the area. Timbers will cost \$1400 to match what is there. Mulch will cost \$2109 for 100 yards delivered which the last time was in 2006.
- Scheild met with Cal Ripken and Dandy Lion Little League.
- A **MOTION** by Farischon, and seconded by Schield to **purchase required items for completion of swingset for the park.** Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

- Lackawanna County Arts & Culture Grant – A **MOTION** by Schield, and seconded by Farischon to **use the Lackawanna County Arts Grant to offset expenses for bands at the Fire Company Picnic.** Motion carried.
- Shredding Day at the Township Building will be June 1, 2013 from 9:00 am – 11:30 am with the same limits as 2012.
- Kozik said he has had complaints from residents about Shredding Company running their truck all day to shred. The diesel engine is very loud.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

- None.

ADJOURNMENT

- A **MOTION** by Farischon, and seconded by Schield was made **to adjourn at 9:30 P.M.** Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert L. Farischon, Secretary