

THURSDAY, June 6, 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 June 2, 2013 at 8:00 P.M. at the Municipal Building on Blue Shutters Road. Present were Supervisors Jordan, Farischon and Schield, Solicitor Joseph O'Brien, Gerard Hetman of Lackawanna County Community Relations, Chief Don Hickey, Sam Hickey, Burton Lee and Zoning Officer Paul Kozik.

Jordan announced an Executive Session was held before last month's meeting as well as tonight to discuss potential litigation.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Burton Lee of Homestead Drive asked about the progress of the zoning changes of the distance a fence has to be from the property line. It is currently 4 feet.
- Farischon said we have our Community Planner reviewing this change along with some other changes to the current Ordinance.
- Paul Kozik said he received two calls in one day regarding fences.
- Schield said the 4 feet decision was made so a property owner could do maintenance to the fence and lawn without going onto the neighbors's property.
- There was discussion of what a reasonable distance from the property line should be.
- Gerard Hetman said the County will have a Representative at the Fireman's Picnic. Mr. Hetman also announced there will be a Job Fair at PNC Field on Thursday June 13, 2013 from 1 – 6 PM. Also Parks and Recreation schedule for the summer is available.
- Schield asked if Gerard has heard anything about the awards for the Block Grants and he said he hasn't heard anything.

MINUTES & TREASURERS REPORT

- A **MOTION to accept the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 2, 2013 meeting** as presented, was made by Farischon and seconded by Schield. Motion carried.
- A **MOTION to accept the Accounts Payable and Payroll of June 6, 2013** as presented, was made by Farishon and seconded by Schield. Motion carried.
- A **MOTION to accept the Treasurer's Report of June 6, 2013** as presented, was made by Schield, and seconded by Farischon. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

- Letter of resignation from Sewer Authority Chairman Gary Boam effective December 31, 2013.
- Notice of payment of State Police fines for June 2013 in the amount of \$1,103.80.
- Letter from ShopRite Partners In Caring re: several events planned to help raise money for charities such as food pantries, soup kitchens, senior citizen programs, battered women's shelters and more.
- Letter from Gardecki Masonry re: purchase property on N. Main Street and use it for inside and outside storage of equipment.
- North Pocono Library Grand Opening Events, June 21st – June 24th at the new library, 1315 Church St., Moscow, PA.
- E-mail from Tom Willard requesting use of Township Building meeting room for the Townhouse Association meeting on Tuesday, June 25, 2013 at 7:15 pm.
- Estimate from Busy Bee Cleaning (Jennifer Biko) for cleaning of the Townhouse Building at a cost of \$60 every two weeks.
- Letter from Blue Cross of Northeastern PA re: Early Renewal Option to help lower costs of health insurance premiums.
- Comcast Franchise fee of \$3798.65 for the 1st Quarter of 2013.
- Lackawanna County grant approval of \$500 to be used for entertainment for Fire Company's picnic. Check to come.
- PSATS Bulletin re: prevailing wage legislation – PSATS asking Townships to adopt a resolution urging state legislature to enact prevailing wage reform.
- Verizon notification of contract renewal – Farischon will investigate rates at Comcast.
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- North Pocono Public Library requesting permission to acknowledge Roaring Brook Township's name on their *Giving Tree* recognizing donors whose contribution exceeding \$1,000.
- PSATS – Youth Awards Contest Program

ACTION ON CORRESPONDENCE

- A **MOTION** by Farischon, and seconded by Schield to **support the Prevailing Wage Act by adopting a Resolution.** Motion carried.
- Blue Cross – will be put in budget process.
- Townhouse Association request for use of meeting room granted.
- Supervisors will talk at Work Session about recognizing Gary Boam.
- Estimate from Busy Bee Cleaning accepted.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

- No report.

ROAD DEPARTMENT

- Report read and is on file.
- For the past 3 weeks Road Department has been preparing Summit Woods Road for paving. Overlay is being paid by Developer Jim Comes.
- Nathaniel Mills and a Girl Scout troop cleaned up an area of Elmhurst Blvd. Township will send a certificate of Recognition to them.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

- Report read and is on file.
- Police Department received the new Police car.

RECYCLING

- April monthly total is 11.80 ton, year to date total is 60.88 ton that is 5.25 ton less than last year at this time.

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- No meeting.

BUILDING PERMITS

- Frank Butash Sunroom Blascak Place

PERSONS TO BE HEARD

- None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- May Property – Solicitor O'Brien will send letter stating issue is not on Township Road but Ttownship will again offer the labor if the Mays pay for materials at the cost that was previously stated in letter that was sent a couple of years ago.

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- Recreation Commission Budget – the budget has been over spent. Supervisors will attend one of their meetings. Budget is over because of mulch at playground. A plan is needed for the rest of the year.

NEW BUSINESS

- None.

ADJOURNMENT

- A **MOTION** by Schield, and seconded by Farischon was made **to adjourn at 9:14 P.M.** Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert L. Farischon, Secretary