

# THURSDAY, September 5, 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 September 5, 2013 at 8:00 P.M. at the Municipal Building on Blue Shutters Road. Present were Supervisors Jordan, Farischon and Schield, Burton Lee, Don Symanski, Tony Imbalzano, Gerard Hetman from Lackawanna County, Chief Don Hickey and Solicitor Joe O'Brien.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

- Don Symanski of Windsor Hill – drainage at the Basalyga property is off 3 degrees from the drainage plan that was submitted. Mr. Symanski wanted to know why in front of Basalyga house was not cleaned up when Road Department cleaned up at in front of his house. Schield said Road Department was not asked to clean up there. Mr. Symanski said there is going to be a problem because of the error. Symanski presented pictures on his computer. Basalyga has added a pool which will make the problem worse. Symanski said the corner of his property is being affected and his wall.
- Tony Imbalzano said he never had any water on his property but since Basalyga house he has a lot of mud.
- Jordan said we will get the Engineer to look at it and the submitted plan.
- Imbalzano wants to know what can be done at his property. Board said this is the first they have heard of the problem and will look into it.
- Jordan said Supervisors will meet with the Engineers and will then meet with Symanski and Imbalzano.
- Burton Lee of Homestead Drive – asked about the proposed changes to the ordinances regarding fences. Farischon said we are waiting to hear from the County and expect to have a hearing next month. Farischon said the 4ft has been reduced to 1ft. Solicitor O'Brien said any changes to the land development has to be approved by the County.
- Gerard Hetman from Lackawanna County – County Lines for the Township is on the County website and should be saved as a PDF. **Senior Health Fair** schedule for this month to be held at the PNC Field, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, September 20, 10am – 2pm – free flu shots provided. **Public Safety Fair** – Saturday, October 5, 10am – 2pm, McDade Park – car seat safety check.

#### **MINUTES & TREASURERS REPORT**

- A **MOTION to accept the minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 2, 2013 meeting** as presented with change in minutes of Thursday to Tuesday, was made by Farischon and seconded by Jordan. Motion carried. Schield abstained.
- A **MOTION to accept the minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 1, 2013 meeting** as presented, was made by Schield and seconded by Jordan. Motion carried. Farischon abstained.
- A **MOTION to accept the Accounts Payable and Payroll of September 5, 2013** as presented, was made by Schield and seconded by Farischon. Motion carried.
- A **MOTION to accept the Treasurer's Report of September 5, 2013** as presented, was made by Schield, and seconded by Farischon. Motion carried.

#### **CORRESPONDENCE**

- PSATS flyer on how to respond when an active shooter is present..
- Blue Cross – Current plan will not be available in 2014, however if renewed before December 31, 2013 there will be significant cost savings and you get to keep the same plan. We will contact Blue Cross to set up a meeting.
- Lackawanna County Planning Commission – Copy of the 2013 County Lines – the official information booklet on Lackawanna County.
- Lackawanna County Planning Commission – RE: Lackawanna-Luzerne Bi-County Hazard Mitigation Plan UPDATE.
- Comcast Franchise fee check in the amount of \$4,016.78.
- Notification from Maria Eaves, Girl Scout Leader; meeting schedule for Girl Scouts at Township building every other Monday from 6:00pm to 7:30pm.
- Department of Elections; use of Township building for November 5, 2013 General Election.
- Letter from Commonwealth of PA PennDOT re: preserve, manage and maintain Pennsylvania bridges' safety with assistance to local governments with placing new or reduced weight-restriction signs on bridges within an appropriate time frame.

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- Letter from Peter & Mary Beth Chludzinski asking for support to start up a North Pocono Wrestling Program. The Chludzinskis want to apply for the Local Share Grant from Gaming Funds to help start up the program.
- Notification from Diane Calhoun, PSATS, for the non-uniform Pension Plan, the Minimum Municipal Obligation (MMO) for 2014 is \$10,686.
- PSATS, Trustees Insurance and Retirement Services re:1/1/2013 Actuarial Valuation Report for Township's pension plan.

## ACTION ON CORRESPONDENCE

- Letter of support for Wrestling Program – Township Supervisors believe it's a school issue or if it's non-school, parents should pay. We will send a letter and say at this time we cannot offer support, Township is also applying for the same grant.
- Election paper for the use of Township building for the General Election to be signed.
- Lackawanna County Planning Commission Hazard Mitigation Plan: Township will cooperate with the Plan.
- A **MOTION** by Farischon, and seconded by Schield to **sign a Memorandum of Agreement with Lackawanna County Planning Commission Hazard Mitigation Plan.** Motion carried.
- Supervisors will call PennDOT about the arrow on Rte 307 near Smith Road.
- Approve the PSATS Webinar on "Active Shooter Response" to be held on September 9, 2013 at a cost of \$20 for PSATS member.

## SOLICITOR'S REPORT

- Neptune property going up for Sheriff's sale on September 23, 2013. If it does not sell then it will go for Judicial sale free and clear.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** Recreation Commission Minutes were read. Kite Festival – O.K., reasonable cost. Fall Festival – need to talk to Recreation Commission, costs and issues to be discussed and cannot get resolved in the timeframe. A **MOTION** by Farischon, and seconded by Schield to **send e-mail to Recreation Commission that kite festival is authorized and is a nice event for the cost and the Fall Festival cost of \$2000 is too much to be spent and other issues need to be discussed.** Motion carried.

2013 Recreation budget is over because of improvements at playground – swing set, mulch, and grill.

## ROAD DEPARTMENT

- Report read and is on file.
- Schield will have meeting with Hanson tomorrow – County will be paving their portion of Elmhurst Blvd. and will be getting a price to repair our part of the Blvd. Scranton is not going to allow trucks to travel on their portion of Elmhurst Blvd. Trucks will be directed from Rt. 307 to Blue Shutters Road and onto our portion of Elmhurst Blvd.

## POLICE DEPARTMENT

- Report read and is on file.

## RECYCLING

- August monthly total is 10.69 ton, year to date total is 98.77 ton that is 1.03 ton less than last year at this time.

## COG

- North Pocono COG meeting is scheduled for tonight and obviously we could not attend. COG meeting to discuss heating oil purchasing.

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**BUILDING PERMITS**

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|------------------------|---------------|--------------|
| • John Basalyga        | Inground Pool | Windsor Hill |
| • John Basalyga        | Garage        | Windsor Hill |
| • Elmhurst County Club | Renovations   | Gardner Road |

**PERSONS TO BE HEARD**

- None.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- County Development Block Grant – County came up and looked at Golf Club Road . The second County Grant we will apply for will be for a generator for the Township building.

**NEW BUSINESS**

- None.

Jordan reported the prior to this meeting an executive session was held to discuss potential litigation.

**ADJOURNMENT**

- A **MOTION** by Schield, and seconded by Farischon was made **to adjourn at 10:02 P.M.** Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert L. Farischon, Secretary