

# South Coventry Township Board of Supervisors Minutes

Monday, November 1, 2010

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Supervisors of South Coventry Township, Chester County, PA, was held on Monday, November 1, 2010 at 7:30 PM in the South Coventry Township Building with Chairperson Tim Blevins presiding. Millie Donnell, Bill Nesley and Sean O'Neill were also in attendance. Mr. Blevins called the meeting to order.

**Minutes** – Mr. Nesley made a motion to accept the minutes of the October 4, 2010 regular evening meeting, the October 1, 2010 morning meeting and the October 21, 2010 special meeting as presented. Mrs. Donnell seconded and the minutes were unanimously approved.

## **Public Comment**

1. Cathie Whitlock questioned the car that has been parked in the entrance to Connie Batdorf Park with a sign on it advertising Rita's Water Ice. Mrs. Whitlock did not think this should be allowed and stated that the Township should contact the owners. Mrs. Donnell stated that the Zoning Officer is currently investigating this concern.

## **Public Works/Roadmaster's Report**

1. Roger Ciebien summarized the October 2010 Public Works Report. The Roadmaster's report is available for review at the Township Office.

## **Zoning/Code Enforcement Officer's Report**

1. Copies of the October 2010 reports, including correspondence, from the Residential Code Enforcement and Zoning Officer and the Commercial Code Enforcement Officer are available for review in the Township Office.

## **Planning Commission Report**

1. Ms. Shaner summarized the October 18, 2010 Planning Commission meeting. Meeting minutes are available for review at the Township Office.

## **Federation of Northern Chester County Communities Report**

1. Cathie Whitlock summarized the October 12, 2010 meeting of the Federation of Northern Chester County Communities. The meeting minutes are available for review at the Township Office.

## **Historic Commission**

1. Ms. Shaner summarized the October 11, 2010 meeting of the Historic Commission. The meeting minutes are available for review at the Township Office.

### **Open Space, Recreation and Environmental Oversight Board (OREO)**

1. Mrs. Whitlock summarized the October 25, 2010 meeting of the OREO Board. The meeting minutes are available for review at the Township Office.

### **Discussion or Business from the Floor** – None

### **Old Business**

1. The Board considered for adoption an ordinance to re-establish Earned Income Tax collection in accordance with provisions of Act 32. Mr. Blevins announced that the ordinance was advertised as required and asked if there was any public comment. Mrs. Whitlock questioned if the tax rate was changing. Mrs. Donnell reported that the rate was the same, 0.5% for the township and 0.5% for the school, as it was when it was the EIT was first enacted in 1989. The new ordinance is updating the Township's previous ordinance to be in compliance with the county-wide collection requirements established by the new legislation. Having no other public comment, Mrs. Donnell made a motion to adopt the proposed ordinance to establish the Earned Income Tax under Act 32 guidelines. Mr. Nesley seconded and the motion was unanimously passed.
2. The Board reviewed a letter received from PennDOT notifying the Township that the speed limit on Route 23 between Daisy Point Road and Warwick Township has been lowered to 50mph. Along with the lowered speed limit, the 30" x 30" crossroads signs at Coventryville Road will be replaced with 48" x 48" signs.
3. The Board reviewed information sent to PA DEP regarding the Ridglea Water System.

### **New Business**

1. The Board reviewed the contract proposals for 2011 received from the Chester County SPCA. There are two options both of which have greatly increased in cost this year. After discussion, the Board agreed to table this discussion to further review the proposals before making a decision.
2. A letter was received from PA DEP regarding changes made to reporting of groundwater monitoring data submitted to PA DEP for Ridglea Water System.
3. The Township is in receipt of a hearing schedule and results from the Chester County Board of Assessment Appeals.
4. The Township received a copy of the emergency action plan from Scott's Run Dam and Hopewell Dam.
5. A letter was received regarding the French Creek Elementary School's Water Quality Management Permit renewal.
6. A letter was received from the Chester County Tax Claim Bureau regarding the date change for delinquent real estate taxes.

### **Correspondence** – The Township is in receipt of the following correspondence:

1. October 2010 log from the Ridge Fire Company
2. October 2010 log from the State Police.
3. PSATS NewsBullentin

**Financial Business** – Mr. Blevins announced that there was \$29,990.10 in Receipts and \$65,421.15 in Disbursements for the General Fund. Mr. Blevins made a motion to pay the bills which was seconded by Mr. Nesley.

Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned. The next regular monthly meeting will be held on Monday, December 6, 2010, at 7:30 PM in the South Coventry Township Building.

Respectfully submitted,

Amanda Shaner, Assistant Secretary-Treasurer