

Hamiltonban Township

23 Carrolls Tract Road, Fairfield, PA 17320

Board of Supervisors Workshop

September 24, 2015

At 7:00 PM Chairman Gordon called the meeting to order. He announced that the meeting is being recorded for the sole purpose as a review aid in compiling the written minutes.

Supervisors Present: Chairman Robert L. Gordon, Vice-chairman Douglas Woerner, Coleen N. Reamer, LuAnn M. Dille and J. Edward Deardorff.

Staff Present: Secretary/Treasurer Deborah K. Feiler.

Public Present: Jack Inskip; and John Messeder of the *Gettysburg Times*.

Township Business: The following Township business was discussed:

Mr. Inskip of the Fairfield Area Historical Society thanked the Board for their continued support and spoke of the Society and their mission. The Society which was formerly known as the Fairfield Civil War Sesquicentennial Committee was created to preserve and protect the historical heritage of the area and is now a not-for-profit organization. The historical importance of this area goes well beyond the Civil War. The Society intends to acquire artifacts and historical information and will soon be having a membership drive. Mr. Inskip left the meeting at 7:17 PM.

For more than twenty years Mr. Don Wills has served the Township as EMA Coordinator and as part of the road crew. Mr. Wills will be retiring from the Township at the end of 2015 and the Board will honor Mr. Wills for his many years of dedication to the Township at the December Board meeting.

At the September Planning Commission meeting the Commission began to review the proposed Zoning Ordinance update that was prepared by Adams County Planner Rob Thaeler. The Board was reminded to begin their review of the update.

Chairman Gordon summarized the Floodplain Workshop that he and Supervisor Reamer attended. Record keeping and Floodplain regulations were discussed. In early 2016, Adams County will be forwarding to all Municipalities a Floodplain update and at that time there will be more training regarding this matter.

Chairman Gordon identified some properties on Mount Hope Road that are in violation of the Nuisance Ordinance. The Code Enforcement Officer will be notified.

Vice-chairman Woerner stated that a resident asked him why the Township does not have an area to drop off yard waste. The resident was referred to the Washington Township Transfer Station. It was noted that this is a County wide problem and that at the September Adams County Council of Governments meeting, Bicky Redman of the Adams County Office of Planning and Development spoke of the recycling issues in Adams County.

Chairman Gordon summarized the meeting that was held on September 16, 2015 at the Highland Township office with regard to the bridge on Route 116 spanning Muddy Run in Highland Township. This bridge is part of the PennDOT Rapid Bridge Reconstruction Project. The contractor has scheduled to close the bridge during construction from June thru September 2016. First responders, school bus drivers, and local officials, including the Adams County Commissioners and Senator Alloway are all involved in trying to convince the contractor to keep the bridge open during construction as the proposed detour will affect all motorists alike.

It was noted that permanent boundary markers should be installed to mark the Township office property lines.

Road Coordinator Deardorff updated the Board with the Road Department projects. The Knox Road project has been completed and the road crew will now be working on stormwater issues in the BB Section.

Chairman Gordon stated that he was asked by a resident why the Township Office does not fly a flag. The Board agreed that a flag should be flown at the office and will look into getting a flag.

A quote to repair the roof that is leaking at the maintenance facility was received from Lobar Associates Construction in the amount of \$4,270.01. This matter will be up for consideration at the October Board of Supervisors meeting.

With regard to the Reeds Bridge project, it was noted that PennDOT approved the detour that is in place which utilizes state owned roadways.

In order to be eligible for a Dirt and Gravel Road Grant, a Township representative must attend a training session to become certified in the Dirt and Gravel Road Program. Roadmaster Harbaugh will be attending the October training session.

The Board reviewed the first draft of the 2016 general fund budget.

Chairman Gordon went over the items that will be on the October Board of Supervisors meeting agenda.

At 8:51 PM the Board of Supervisors unanimously approved to adjourn the workshop and moved into an Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter.

The next Board of Supervisors meeting is October 6, 2015 at the local prevailing time of 7:00 PM.

Deborah K. Feiler, Secretary/Treasurer

Robert L. Gordon, Chairman