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The Wayne Township Supervisors, 1418 Wampum Road, Ellwood City, PA 16117 held its regular monthly Supervisor Board Meeting on Thursday, July 1, 2010 @ 7:00 p.m.

Meeting opened with the “Pledge of Allegiance” lead by Chairman, Dennis Hall and a word of prayer by Supervisor, Bruce Badger. Also in attendance was Supervisor, Charles Hutchison; Township Solicitor, Ryan Long; and Secretary/Treasurer, Shari D. Baney.

Motion was made by Hutchison to “Approve the Minutes” of June 17th and June 3rd meetings; 2nd By Badger. All in favor.

PUBLIC INPUT:

There were residents in attendance who voiced their complaints about the condition of Mount Hope Road –and- Squaw Run Road. Points are as follows:

- **Keith Foley**, 923 Mt. Hope Road – said the **sewer project** has gone on way too long and we’re getting no answers. He said he was having mailbox and stake problems, and the side of the hill is washed away. Who is responsible?
 - (a) Water is coming down from N.C. to Castlewood
- **Fred Hogue**, 938 Mt. Hope Road – said a Bobcat was driven through his septic tank and the responsible parties need to take care of this. He said his downspouts put in, were smashed. He mentioned Artie, from RAR, saw pictures of water going down the road, running high and the sides of the roads cannot take that kind of pressure. Referring to Squaw Run, the pavement is not holding up. Rocks are coming up through the road.
- **Terry Krukenburg**, 934 Mt. Hope Road – questioned was not their properties supposed to be put back in the same shape it was originally? He said he had honeysuckle on his bank to hold it up, he had household items, downspouts, and the curb box is all under the topsoil. He wanted to know who we take our complaints to.
- **Badger** responded to Mr.Krukenburg saying the roads were not turned-over to the township yet. **Hutchison** explained that the township is waiting for the bond to be up. If the township touches the road, it takes responsibility for the road. He further stated it costs \$750,000.00 to pave the road. We bring in \$88,000.00 from Liquid Fuel funding. The money that comes in from taxes is nominal. As an example, Hutchison explained he pays \$3,000.00 in taxes and only \$197.00 of it goes to the township. It is not enough to cover the expenses. He explained we do not have the monies to pave the roads and we cannot afford to touch a road that is still under a bond. The township will address this road after the bond is lifted. If we touch the road, we lose.
- **Bill Hepler** – Sewer Authority Board Member, said Chuck/Dennis were called-out to a Conti resident’s home on New Castle Rd. Hepler said the supervisors told him that Contractor Blaine Forbes is gone and not coming back, you are on your own. Supervisors said they responded only to a Joe Lamanza and a Monica Bamberry property.
- Contractor, **Dave Scopelite** commented on Mt. Hope Road issues. He said there is a 22” drop at the corner right by the hill. He said the supervisors inherited a mess but the roads need addressed.
 - (a) Wanted to know why the contractors are not getting the jobs?
 - (b) He said Greenawalt was \$1,200 higher on a job but Scope did not get it.

(c) Example of Bid: Resident's Home @ \$974, Scope's bid; Greenawalt @ \$1,365. Long said there needs to be a legitimate standard.

- **Mark Glenvicky**, Scope Construction, Partner –wanted the township to know he contacted the Atty. Gen. about the “award of bids” process for the grant lateral lines. Supervisors mentioned there were to be “surprise inspections”. Scope said they have done 5 jobs and have not had any inspections.
- **Dan Fornataro**, Squaw Run Road – said to repave roads now would be stupid, but the major problems/certain spots need fixed. Squaw Run is only 1 ½ lanes wide and has a 20” drop on one side and a 6” on the other. The township said they are doing patch work pavement and 4 loads of coal patch has already been placed; they are on their 5th load.
- **Rich Figurel**, Sewer Authority Board Member, said the township would not fix the road with coal patch but they patched a 20’ stretch of road with it. Long said the township is not blaming this on the Sewer Authority. There is still a bond on the road. Once the lateral lines are connected, then we will pave Squaw Run. It was a consensus that when the project was complete.
 - (1) Ques: Who owns the bridges from the intersection Mt. Hope and Squaw Run? Are they inspected?
 - (2) He said the Q & A is supposed to be from the Board but he believed the solicitor was taking over the meeting.
- **Long** explained he was there to advise the Board; that he was not taking over the meeting. Long interjected during the “Public Input” saying we are not here to have discourse. That Public Input is not the forum to address finger pointing issues, to put things “in writing” and it’ll be addressed at some other point.
- **Cornell Jerome**, 1852 Squaw Run Road –wanted to know when the berms of the roads would be taken care of.
 - (1) Repeat question, do you plan on fixing that road? Badger said it is a time factor. Time and money is the answer. Paving is going to be completed at Friday’s Hill. Badger, suggested in an effort to generate monies, maybe we should raise our millage.
 - (2) Due to repetitive questioning, Long said we are not required to give you an answer. There is a time issue. Long said we should receive the complaints & we need to have a meeting to work together to address the problems in Squaw Run & Mt. Hope; that the complaints should be put in writing & they will address it. Figurel said we should not get the complaints. Keith Foley said if he has to write ‘another letter’, he will.
 - (3) Jerome accused the township of sandbagging the residents. He asked if there was a motion to correct the problem at Mt. Hope. Long said no and that the public input is done.
 - (4) There was mention of a drainpipe smashed. Who is responsible? Who puts the drains in?
 - (5) 65 needs paved and it’s the township’s responsibility, correct the problem.
 - (6) QUESTION: Can we take out a loan to take care of the roads?
- Donna Cole, 997 Squaw Run – said she was told there were funds available from the county to inspect the bridges @\$1,200 ea, did the township supervisors ask for any of that? Larry Cole said the supervisors are responsible for the roads. Forbes is responsible to do what they should do and the township is supposed to do what they are supposed to do.
- An open question to the township was, “do we have pipe on hand?” And do we have enough to do Mt. Hope? When we fix Mt. Hope; we fix Squaw Run. Hutchison said we have some pipe but not enough, and we have to put catch basins in too. He said it is not just a “quick fix” and it does not happen overnight, there’s more involved.
- **Tootie Welsh** – wanted to inform the residents of the Mongols, a motorcycle gang, coming in from California set up in the Emporium as a tattoo shop. A handout about the Mongols and alerting the township as being dangerous, were made for distribution. She said they are in Ellwood City.
 - (1) She talked about Crime Watches and the need for community participation.
 - (2) Fire Hydrants? our responsibility? Water line break and we can’t find the hydrant, whose responsibility?
 - (3) Property of Factory Avenue? Was it ever annexed? Ans: no, it is the Boro property located in Wayne Twp and they do not pay taxes.

New Business:

Seaburn Modification – Hall made a motion to accept the Seaburn modification; Hutchison 2nd it. All in favor.

Sewer Lateral Funding – Hall made a motion to accept the CDBG recommendations from Waltz Consultants, Hutchison 2nd the motion. All in favor. (see 4b attachment)

Old Business: None

Approve the Financial Report from the printed ledger – motion made by Hall; 2nd by Hutchison. All in favor.

Hall made a motion to “**Pay the Bills**”, 2nd by Hutchison. All in favor.

Solicitor’s Report:

- Final Receipt, Release and Lien Waiver” from Delta Constructors, Inc. Recommend that the supervisors signoff on it.
- Lien Letters – what is included in a lien letter? Confirms any monies or any unpaid sewer bills owed involved in a closing.

Hall made a motion to “**Adjourn the Meeting**”. Hutchison 2nd it. All in favor.

Submitted by Shari D. Baney
Secretary/Treasurer

