

KIDDER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES
Thursday – August 18, 2016

Chairman Thomas Bradley called the regularly scheduled monthly meeting of the Kidder Township Board of Supervisors to order at 7:00 P.M. on July 21, 2016 at the Kidder Township Municipal Building, Lake Harmony, Pa.

ROLL CALL: Secretary/ Treasurer Suzanne Brooks, Manager Lisa Klem, Supervisors, Berger, Bradley, Franzosa, LaFond, Pieri and Attorney Dan Miscavige were present.

Chairman Tom Bradley announced that there was an Informational Session and an Executive Session prior to this evenings' Public Hearing that was held at 6:30 P.M. meeting.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION:

John Williams, N. Lake Drive, asked the Board of Supervisors if there is anything that can be done to keep large vehicles from going on N. Lake Drive. A tour bus did property damage turning around in the area of his property. Mr. Bradley commented for Mr. Williams into looking at the situation with Mr. Berger.

Ellyn McGinnis, Lake Harmony, commented on Mr. Williams's concern that perhaps a "NO OUTLET" sign can be put by Fern Street.

Charlotte Blackwell, Lake Harmony, thanked the Township for painting the stop lines at the intersection of North and South Lake Drive. She also voiced her concerns on the two "NO LEFT TURN" signs on S. Lake Drive. Chief Kuzma commented that he is meeting with a Safety Director from Penn-Dot about those signs.

Ralph Lennon, Lake Harmony Volunteer Fire Chief, commented on the overgrowth of trees that is along the roadsides in the Township, which include private and state owned roads. Can anything be done, perhaps by Ordinance, to require maintenance for the clearance height and being cut back? It can be damaging to the emergency vehicles. Mr. Bradley commented that the Township will look into it.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Regular Monthly Meeting July 21, 2016 – MOTION made by Mr. Pieri, seconded by Ms. Franzosa to **approve the minutes of the July 21, 2016 Regular Monthly Meeting.** Motion carried 5-0.

CURRENT BILLS:

Mr. Bradley asked for a motion to pay the current bills in the amount of \$109,449.80. **MOTION** – made by Mr. LaFond, seconded by Mr. Pieri to **pay the monthly bills in the amount of \$109,449.80** Motion carried 5-0.

SUBDIVISION/LAND DEVELOPMENT: None

OLD BUSINESS:

Award Bid Proposal for the Traffic Light at S.R. 903 & S.R. 1003, Lake Harmony Road. The project was advertised in the Times News and the Standard Speaker on July 20, 2016 and July 25, 2016. Bids were to be opened on August 16, 2016 at 4:00 p.m. No bids were received. Ms. Klem commented over twenty requests were made to view the plans and the problem could possibly have been that the date for completion of the project, February 28, 2017, was not manageable for the plan holders. **MOTION** – made by Mr. Berger, seconded by Ms. Franzosa to **re-advertise for bid proposals for the construction of the Traffic Light at S.R. 903 & S.R. 1003, Lake Harmony Road with the project to be completed by August 31, 2017.**

NEW BUSINESS:

The Lake Harmony Rescue Squad request for monies from the Emergency Services Equipment Fund – The Lake Harmony Rescue Squad has requested the amount of \$40,962.00 in funds to be used toward the purchase of a new ambulance from the Emergency services Equipment Fund. **MOTION** – made by Mr. LaFond, seconded by Mr. Pieri to **grant the request of \$40,962.00 in funds to the Lake Harmony Rescue Squad to use toward the purchase of a new ambulance.** Motion carried 5-0.

OTHER BUSINESS:

The Township Received the 2nd Quarter Financial Reports for both the Police and Non-uniformed Pension Plans. **MOTION** – made by Mr. LaFond, seconded by Ms. Franzosa to **place the 2nd Quarter Financial Reports for both the Police and Non-uniformed Pension Plans on file.** Motion carried 5-0.

2017 Budget Workshop. **MOTION** – made by Mr. LaFond, seconded by Mr. Berger to **advertise a 2017 Budget Workshop Meeting for September 12, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. at the Kidder Township Municipal Building.** Motion carried 5-0.

REPORTS:

- A. Police Chairman** – Mr. LaFond commented that the Township has started contract negotiations for the next Collective Bargaining Agreement which begins January 1, 2017.
- B. Roadmaster** – Mr. Berger stated that Pete Lambert has been working on the Township intersections getting the lines painted. Also, some cleaning of ditches has been completed as well.
- C. Solicitor** – Nothing additional to add. The report was in the Supervisor's file.
- D. Manager** – Ms. Klem began by commenting on the membership fee for the Carbon County Chamber of Commerce in the amount of \$375.00. **MOTION** – made by Mr. LaFond, seconded by Ms. Franzosa to **join the Carbon County Chamber of Commerce and pay the invoiced amount of \$375.00 for the annual membership fee.** Motion carried 5-0.

Ms. Klem added that she received a letter from Chuck Weber, Charter Organization Representative for Cub Scout Pack 597, requesting that the Township waive a Zoning Fee for a shed that was donated to the Cub Scouts. The shed will be located on the Albrightsville Fire Company property next to an existing shed. **MOTION** – made by Mr.

LaFond, seconded by Ms. Franzosa to **waive the Zoning Fee for the donated shed to be placed on the Albrightsville Fire Company's property.** Motion carried 5-0.

Ms. Klem finished by commenting the Parking Lot Improvements should be starting the second week of September. The report was in the Supervisor's file.

- E. Police** – Chief Kuzma commented that reports have been received about golf carts coming past the gate from Split Rock going to local establishments in the Township. He spoke with Split Rock Security on the possibility of warning signs being placed at the East Gate. He added that he received information from Kovatch Ford on the acquisition of the new police vehicle to take place by the beginning of September. The report was in the Supervisor's file.
- F. Planning Commission** – Meeting was held August 3, 2016
- G. Zoning Officer** – The report was in the Supervisors' file.
- H. Zoning Hearing Board** – No meeting was held.
- I. Sewage Enforcement Officer** - The report was in the Supervisors' file.
- J. Code Enforcement Officer** – The report was in the Supervisors' file.
- K. Environmental Advisory Council** – Meeting was held August 10, 2016. The report was in the Supervisors' file.
- L. Stormwater Committee** – Ms. Franzosa commented that volunteers went out and cleaned out some culverts in the community. Also, the Lake Harmony Watershed Preservation Group has started an "Adopt-a-Culvert" Project for people to participate in. Ms. Franzosa added that she submitted the Low Volume Dirt and Gravel Road Grant for the project on Old Stage Road. She asked for a motion to advertise the project on Old Stage Road and not to wait for any verification of receiving the Low Volume Dirt and Gravel Road Grant. **MOTION** – made by Mr. LaFond, seconded by Mr. Pieri to **advertise the Stormwater Project on Old Stage Road.** Motion carried 4 yes, 1 no. Mr. Bradley voted no.
Meeting was held August 10, 2016. The report was in the Supervisors' file.
- M. Safety Committee** – Meeting was held August 16, 2016. The report was in the Supervisor's file.

Mr. Bradley announced that we received reports from the Volunteer Fire Companies and the Rescue Squad.

MOTION – made by Mr. LaFond, seconded by Mr. Pieri **to place all reports on file.**
Motion carried 5-0.

Meeting was adjourned at **7:21 P.M.**

Suzanne Brooks, Township Secretary