

Chairman Nelson Brenneman called the regularly scheduled meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Supervisors present: Dennis Luckenbaugh and Rodney Shearer. Present on behalf of the Township: Manager Sharon Kerchner and Solicitor Doug Myers. Also present: Recording Secretary and five citizens.

I. **Minutes**

**Motion** by Shearer, second by Luckenbaugh, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of October 17 and the Budget meeting of November 15, 2017. All members voted aye; motion carried.

II. **Treasurer's Report**

A. **Motion** by Luckenbaugh, second by Shearer, to approve the Treasurer's Report for October 2017 as presented. All members voted aye; motion carried.

III. **General Public Comment**

Nothing at this time.

IV. **Police Report**

Sergeant Jack Greene gave the police report for October 2017. Mr. Luckenbaugh said he received a call with a report of target shooting that turned out to be false. Mr. Brenneman asked in general how long a police officer is to sit at an intersection; he heard 15 minutes. Sgt. Greene said it depends on what the officer is doing; writing a report could take longer than 15 minutes. Also from Mr. Brenneman, what is the reason for the Township/Police hours coming in under the contracted amount? Sgt. Green gave an explanation on how the hours can fluctuate based on the calls of service. But they try to balance the hours within a reasonable period of time. From Mr. Shearer, there was an accident at Buffalo Valley and Green Valley Roads, and apparently two officers were in court and one officer was in training, leaving no one to respond. Mr. Shearer feels this is a scheduling issue and should be addressed in order to avoid it from happening in the future. Sgt. Greene said that the police department has no control over court scheduling; and training is scheduled quite far in advance so it's hard to anticipate if there will be any conflicts.

V. **Fire Company Report**

Tim Carr gave the fire company report for October 2017.

No one was present to give the EMS report for October 2017.

VI. **Permits, Plans, and Modules**

A. Richard L and Joan C. Rill and David Bradley – Final Subdivision Plan #170707, Grothey Road.

Patti Fisher, James Holley and Associates, was present on behalf of the applicant. This is basically a land swap to restore the parking lot to the appropriate parcel, then swap out the land for the other landowner. Mr. Luckenbaugh noted the waiver for the parking space striping was

approved with the condition that the applicants must delineate and properly mark a handicapped parking space as required, which has been done.

The only other outstanding comment previous to this meeting was the preparation of the deeds. That has been done, and Attorney Myers reported that the deeds are fine.

**Motion** by Shearer, second by Luckenbaugh, to approve the Planning Waiver and Non-Building Declaration and to forward same to DEP. All members voted aye; motion carried.

**Motion** by Shearer, second by Luckenbaugh, to approve the Final Subdivision Plan #170707 of Richard L. and Joan C. Rill and David Bradley. All members voted aye; motion carried.

## VII. Administrative Reports

### A. Supervisors' Reports –

Rodney Shearer – leaf collection in progress, as is line painting on select roads. Tree trimming to be done as well. A chipper is in the budget for 2018.

Nelson Brenneman – nothing further on the Salem Overlook.

### B. Manager's Report

1. **Motion** by Luckenbaugh, second by Shearer, to adopt Tax Resolution #08-11-2017. All members voted aye; motion carried.

2. 2017 Winter Service agreement funds received in the amount of \$33,628.87.

3. **Motion** by Luckenbaugh, second by Shearer, to ratify the approval of the purchase of the 2018 Appalachian Trailer in the amount of \$6,824 AND to authorize the Chairman to sign the title paperwork. All members voted aye; motion carried.

4. Discussion of Act 42, placement of ten Category 4 mini-casinos within the Commonwealth. **Motion** by Luckenbaugh, second by Shearer, to adopt Resolution 09-11-2017, opting out of the placement of mini-casinos in the Township. All members voted aye; motion carried.

5. The Township recovered \$22,002.10 from the Dirt and Gravel Bentz Road project.

### C. Engineer's Report

No questions or discussion on the report.

### D. Solicitor's Report

1. Hayrick Road abandonment – Attorney Myers reported that the easement agreement was signed and is ready for the Board's approval. Whatever happened to the information/vote at the public hearing on the abandonment? The minutes were checked from the past meeting; the issue was continued at that meeting. Also, Mrs. Kerchner asked if the Township should submit a bill to the County for legal fees associated with the abandonment.

**Motion** by Brenneman, second by Luckenbaugh, to authorize the Manager to try to recover the legal fees on the Hayrick Road abandonment. All members voted aye; motion carried.

2. Salem Overlook ordinance will be adopted when the road is adopted.

3. Request for an Executive Session following tonight's meeting to discuss possible litigation.

4. The Board of Supervisors approved for Mr. Myers to draft an ordinance to repeal the LST-Local Service Tax, and to have it advertised and prepared for the December meeting.

VIII. **Old Business**

A. New Salem Borough, grease trap update – Mrs. Kerchner received three reports from area food establishments. Are they actually cleaning out the grease trap or just hauling the grease away? Mrs. Kerchner will check with Andy Shaffer on any more that may have come in.

B. Section 195-8.D needs clarification – work in progress

IX. **New Business**

Nothing at this time.

X. **Announcements**

A. Seth Grove will be having a breakfast round table discussion on November 30, 8 a.m. at the Dover Valley Restaurant.

B. The Planning Commission will meet on November 28, 7 p.m.

C. The Southwestern Regional Police Board will meet on December 13, 7 p.m., at police headquarters.

D. The Board of Supervisors will meet on December 19, 7 p.m.

At 7:44 p.m., the meeting recessed to an Executive Session.

At 9:05 p.m., the board reconvened from the Executive Session, with no action taken.

**Motion** by Shearer, second by Luckenbaugh, to adjourn. All members voted aye; motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 9:06 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Kerchner,  
Township Secretary/Manager

Julie B. Maher,  
Recording Secretary