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BOARD OF SUPERVISOR MEETING MINUTES – MARCH 7, 2012

*These are the official meeting minutes of the Oakland Township Board of Supervisors for the above referenced date.
 The Supervisors met at the municipal building, 565 Chicora Road, Butler, PA 16001. The meeting was scheduled to begin at 9:00 a.m.*

BOARD ATTENDEES:

Brian G. Hans, Chairman

Regis V. Thoma, Vice-Chairman

Brent A. Patten, Supervisor

Nadine A. Neff, Secretary/Treasurer

CALL MEETING TO ORDER / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Supervisor Brian Hans called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

APPROVE AGENDA

Supervisor Regis Thoma motioned to approve the Meeting Agenda; Supervisor Brent Patten seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: The motion was approved by all.

APPROVE MEETING MINUTES

Supervisor Regis Thoma motioned to approve the meeting minutes for the Board of Supervisor’s meeting for the month of February; Supervisor Brent Patten seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: The motion was approved by all.

APPROVE TREASURER’S REPORT

Supervisor Brent Patten motioned to approve the treasurer’s report for the month of February; Supervisor Regis Thoma seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: The motion was approved by all.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

RON COWEN / RE: HOFFER-ELLIOTT LOT LINE REVISION

Supervisor Brian Hans motioned to approve the subdivision for Mike and Connie Hoffer and Lorraine Elliott, et al. service number 11-120; Regis Thoma seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: The motion was approved by all.

BILL MCGARVEY / RE: PATTEN LOT LINE REVISION

Supervisor Brian Hans motioned to approve the lot line revision for Charlotte G. Patten, drawing number 5868-2; Regis Thoma seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: Patten, abstained. Thoma, yes. Hans, Yes.

ED DEARY / INVENTORY

The audit has been completed and went well. He feels that it is very necessary for there to be an inventory of items in the municipal building. Nadine Neff was instructed to see that it was completed.



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ROCCO LANZALOTTO / ROAD CREW MEETING ATTENDANCE

Rocco Lanzalotto noticed that the entire road crew was in attendance at the meeting. He asked the Board if they were being paid to attend and if so why. Supervisor Brian Hans stated that with the exception of Lonny, the others in attendance were there on their own time.

PENNSYLVANIA AMERICAN WATER COMPANY / LAKE ROAD MODIFICATIONS

Tyson Clouser was present representing Pennsylvania American Water Company. Ron Olsen of Olsen Engineering was present on behalf of the Township. There was much discussion over the width of the road and generally agreed that, for now, it should remain at 18 feet in width. There was a suggestion and agreement that the road surface should have 22 feet in width of gravel. Tyson advised that permits have been submitted to DEP and the limits of disturbance have already been approved and are being published in the Pennsylvania Bulletin. Any changes to the bank would require the republishing at a costly expense.

The Township is in agreement with Ron Olsen's recommendation that the guiderail being placed on the South side of the road should have turn-down ends, as per PennDOT specs, to prevent a passerby from impaling himself should an accident occur. There was discussion and general agreement that guiderail is not necessary on the North side of the road, due to the steep embankment.

Oakland Township's solicitor, Phil Lope has reviewed the Damage Agreement and has made several suggestions. First, the title should be changed to Agreement and the word Damage eliminated. Next, it is advised that as per Ron Olsen's recommendation, that PAW should prepare the land development plan now clearly outlining the additional road right of way that is being offered to the Township. Further, the agreement should indicate what work is being done by the Township and what work PAW is performing and/or contracting with an outside vendor to have performed. A clause to the agreement that will indemnify and hold the Township harmless from any claims that result in design error must be included.

After some discussion, the Board of Supervisors made clear that they feel that PAW should contract to have the road work done. There was a discussion of prevailing wage. The township is willing to dedicate the road and perform all future maintenance.

Ed Deary from Oneida Valley VFD stated that they need to know the dates when the road will be closed so that they can find alternate routes for emergency calls. Contact information for Oneida Valley will be provided to Tyson Clouser by secretary Nadine Neff.

Engineer Ron Olsen suggested that the Board deem the project exempt from Act 167 Stormwater Management requirements. Supervisor Brian Hans motioned to exempt the project from Act 167 Stormwater Management; Supervisor Regis Thoma seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: The motion was approved by all.



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STAFF REPORTS

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OLD BUSINESS

WILLIAM BENNINGER – Mr. and Mrs. Benninger were present regarding the letter that they received from the Township solicitor regarding the excessive barking of their dogs. Brian Hans stated that the dogs do not bother him and that he has discussed this matter with Mr. Schultz. He further stated that the issue will not be pushed because of the other dogs barking in the same area. Mr. Benninger stated that he will purchase a shock collar for his dogs.

TIME CLOCK – Brian stated that last month we made a motion to get time clocks for both buildings but there was no roll call. Supervisor Brian Hans motioned that we purchase time clocks for both buildings; Brent Patten seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: Patten, Yes. Thoma, No. Hans, Yes.

SUMMIT TOWNSHIP INVOICE – Correspondence was received from Summit Township along with the request of \$1,440.00 in payment of a maintenance agreement that they had for the flashers at St. Wendelin’s school. Supervisor Brent Patten motioned that we send a letter to Summit Township telling them that Oakland Township will take full maintenance responsibility for their light and that all prior agreements are severed; Supervisor Brian Hans seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: The motion was approved by all. Nadine Neff was further instructed to request copies of the invoices from Summit and that payment is tabled until next month’s meeting.

CRANMER V. OAKLAND TOWNSHIP – Supervisor Brian Hans motioned to pay \$1,250 to the Cranmers to settle the matter regarding the .08 acres along Beulah Road; Regis Thoma seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: The motion was approved by all.

ARLE GRANT – OAKLAND SCHOOL FLASHERS – The three sealed bids were received and were opened at 10:38 a.m. The results were as follows:

Bruce & Merilees Electric Company	930 Cass Street, New Castle, PA 16101	\$20,500.00
Traffic Systems and Services	4125 Campbells Run Rd, Pgh PA 15205	\$24,595.00
Bronder Technical Services	980 W Old Rt 422, Prospect, PA 16052	\$16,534.17

Supervisor Brian Hans motioned to accept the bid from Bronder Technical; Regis Thoma seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: The motion was approved by all.



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NEW BUSINESS

COMMUNITY CLEAN UP DAY

Supervisor Brian Hans motioned to set Community Clean-up Day for Saturday, May 12, 2012 from 8:00 a.m. to noon; Brent Patten seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: The motion was approved by all.

ROAD INSPECTION – AGGREGATE AND ROAD OILS BID

Supervisor Brian Hans motioned to bid 900 Tons of 1B, 400 Tons of 2B, and 400 Ton of 1B skid resistant level gravel; Supervisor Regis Thoma seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: The motion was approved by all.

Supervisor Brian Hans motioned to bid 32,000 Gallons of E3 and 8,000 gallons of MC70; Supervisor Regis Thoma seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: The motion was approved by all.

2012 SALT CONTRACT

The Board discussed the mild winter and our current stock pile of salt. The Township still has to purchase a minimum of 90 additional tons under this year's contract or a storage fee will be assessed. The Board agreed that we will not participate in the State salt contract for the 2012-2013 winter season.

AUDITORS LETTER TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

As per instructions from the Township Auditors, Nadine Neff read to the Board a letter from the Auditors concerning the 2011 Township Audit. Supervisor Brian Hans instructed that a letter should be sent to the Auditors referencing Section 3107 of the Township Code. He asked that the Board of Auditors clarify the difference between that section and the section that they quoted.

PENSION AUDIT

The State Auditor General's Office conducted a pension audit at the Township building for years 2010 and 2011. The Auditor informed Nadine Neff that there will be a finding in her report because the September meeting minutes do not include the MMO (Minimum Municipal Obligation) reference.

LONNY JEWART – FIRE TRUCK

The Board discussed the deteriorated water tank on the fire truck. Quotes to replace have ranged from \$4,432 from Filges, \$3,850 from Miano, and \$1,050 from Triangle (however the tank from Triangle is 1 foot too long. It was the consensus of the Board that the truck is worth getting repaired.



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SIGNING OF THE TIME SHEETS / AUTHORIZATION TO PAY BILLS ON HAND

The Board signed the time sheets submitted for payroll for the month. Supervisor Brian Hans motioned to pay the bills on hand, all previously authorized bills, and payroll for the upcoming month; Supervisor Regis Thoma seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: The motion was approved by all.

ADJOURNMENT

Supervisor Brian Hans motioned to adjourn the meeting at 11:47 a.m.; Supervisor Regis Thomaten seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: The motion was approved by all.