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BOARD OF SUPERVISOR MEETING MINUTES – NOVEMBER 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

Brent A. Patten, Supervisor

Regis V. Thoma, Vice-Chairman

Nadine A. Neff, Secretary/Treasurer

CALL MEETING TO ORDER / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Supervisor Brian Hans called the meeting to order at 9:03 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 Brent Patten motioned to approve the meeting minutes for the month of October; Supervisor Regis Thoma 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 October; Supervisor Regis Thoma seconded the motion. **ROLL CALL: The motion was approved by all.**

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Rocco Lanzalotto – Various Observations

Rocco Lanzalotto stated his opinion on the set back distance of the barn on Justin Schmeider’s property on Hoon Road and the Pumpkin Palooza event that he holds. He also stated that the barn is agricultural and that it has electricity in it.

Rocco Lanzalotto asked if the person that they hired ran the equipment prior to getting the job. The Board stated that he had not and Rocco stated that at the last meeting they said that the person hired would be tested.

Rocco Lanzalotto stated his opinion that Lonny Jewart should not be paid by the Township when he goes on his maneuvers with the military. He stated that he went to Mike Kelley and Brian Ellis and that we do not have to pay him. Supervisor Brian Hans asked Rocco to bring in the supporting documentation for his statements.

Tom Covert – Equipment Operation



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Tom Covert expressed his opinion regarding the Board hiring an equipment operator without being given a test on the equipment.

MARCELLUS SHALE

Robert Harkey, representative for XTO Energy was present at the meeting.

Lease Contract – The leasing contract for the Township property on Shearer and North Butler Church Road was presented to the Board of Supervisors. Mr. Harkey stated that it was the standard parcels plan for non-surface leasing rights. He stated that there should be no problems with the water on Shearer Road. Royalties and bonuses were included. The Board asked that Nadine Neff forward the contract to our attorney for review.

Hauling Agreement – The Board reviewed the recommendations of Attorney Phil Lope. After some discussion, the Board agreed to go with Phil's recommendations. **Supervisor Brent Patten motioned to approve the contract with recommendations; Supervisor Regis Thoma seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: The motion was approved by all.**

CORRESPONDENCE

Dawson Geophysical Company – Seismic Survey

A letter was received from Dawson Geophysical regarding some seismic testing to be conducted on Hoon, Thorn Run and Boydstown Roads. The process will involve three trucks. **Supervisor Brent Patten motioned that they will be required to bond those roads; Supervisor Brian Hans seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: The motion was approved by all.**

URS Corporation - Galli Pad - The Township was notified by URS Corporation, engineers for Shell Appalachia, that a gas well will be constructed in Oakland Township off Center Drive on property owned by Galli.

Farmers National Bank – Check Signatures – Correspondence was received from Farmers that with the automated processing equipment, checks requiring two signatures and having only one signature on it, could potentially be processed without any liability on their part.

STAFF REPORTS

Nadine Neff – Nothing to report

Lonny Jewart – St. Joe Road ditch complaint. Regis Thoma advised that this is a known issue and asked that it be looked into.



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OLD BUSINESS

Building Set-Back Variance – Supervisor Regis Thoma stated that since we gave a variance to Terry Wingfield, it is his opinion that one be granted to Brenda Bush as well. **Supervisor Regis Thoma motioned to approve a variance for Brenda Bush to build her garage with a set back distance of 50 feet from the center line of the road; Supervisor Brian Hans seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: The motion was approved by all.**

Road Crew Vacancy - Supervisor Brian Hans motioned to hire Kenny Blatt, Jr. on a 90 day probation effective November 7, 2012 and set a wage at 75% of the union wage rate; Supervisor Regis Thoma seconded the motion. **ROLL CALL: The motion was approved by all.**

Brian further stated that two of the other candidates were giving consideration to having their names placed on our On-Call List

NEW BUSINESS

Burton Brewster Pension Plan – Supervisor Brian Hans motioned to turn ownership of the pension plan over to Burt; Supervisor Brent Patten seconded the motion. **ROLL CALL: The motion was approved by all.**

2013 Budget Meeting – The Board agreed that the annual budget meeting will be held on Sunday, November 11, 2012 beginning at 1:00 p.m.

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 11:24 a.m.; Supervisor Brent Patten seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: The motion was approved by all.