

TOWAMENSING TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS MEETING MINUTES
TOWAMENSING TOWNSHIP BUILDING
October 6, 2011

CALL TO ORDER

7PM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Penny Kleintop, Chairperson/Treasurer; Tom Newman, Vice-Chairman; Rodney George, Supervisor/Road Master; Thomas Nanovic, Solicitor; and Lora Nothstein, Secretary.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Towamensing Township Supervisors Meeting Minutes September 1, 2011

Motion made by Vice-chairman Tom Newman, seconded by Chairperson Penny Kleintop.
Vote 2 to 0. All in favor.

Approval of Bill List 10/1/2011

Motion made by Vice-chairman Tom Newman, seconded by Supervisor Rodney George.
Vote 3 to 0. All in favor.

Treasures Report

Motion made by Vice-chairman Tom Newman, seconded by Supervisor Rodney George.
Vote 3 to 0. All in favor.

Executive Meeting held September 22, 2011 at 9:30am.

Motion made by Penny Kleintop to not intervene with the Zoning Hearing Board decision; Falling Creek Investments. Seconded by Supervisor Rodney George.
Vote 3 to 0. All in favor.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION- 5 MINUTE LIMIT (Please sign the book if you would like to address the Board).

George White addressed the supervisors and residents informing them of the Bean Soup Sale and Basket Bingo at the Big Creek Grange, Thursday October 13, 2011.

Charles Laviolette addressed the supervisors about events that the Palmerton Library held last month and new events that are coming up, he delivered the fliers that will be distributed with the townships garbage bills.

Wayne Knirnschild asked if the supervisors have heard anything from the insurance company; lightning strike. Chairperson Penny Kleintop asked Secretary Lora Nothstein for information.

Secretary stated that claim has been filed and is awaiting review by the insurance board; township will notify fire co. as soon as they receive notification from insurance co.

Wayne Knirnschild asked if the fire company volunteers could be included in the vaccinations.

Approved by supervisors.

Motion made by Vice-Chairman Tom Newman, seconded by Supervisor Rodney George.

Vote 3 to 0. All in favor.

PLANS AND SUBDIVISIONS

Alton Green extension.

Excepted

Motion made by Supervisor Rodney George, seconded by Vice-Chairman Tom Newman.

Vote 3 to 0. All in favor.

OLD BUSINESS

Open bids for DSA Material.

One bid received from Hanson Aggregates PA LLC.

\$14.95 per unit, \$22,425.00 total; delivered to job sight.

Motion made to except bid by Supervisor Rodney George, seconded by Vice-Chairman Tom Newman.

Vote 3 to 0. All in favor.

Update on joint meeting with Lower Towamensing and Hannover Engineering: SALDO & Zoning project

Date set for next Zoning and SALDO meeting: October 24, 2011 6:00pm at Lower Towamensing Township Municipal Building, 595 Hahns Dairy Road Palmerton PA 18071.

Up-date on Towamensing Township New Ball Field.

Permits have been applied for, concerns from the conservation district have been sent to Carbon Engineering.

Township is waiting for additional information before they can proceed.

NEW BUSINESS

Approve ad to enact EIT Ordinance.

Motion made to except bid by Supervisor Rodney George, seconded by Vice-Chairman Tom Newman.

Vote 3 to 0. All in favor.

Set date for 2012 Budget Meeting.

Date set for October 27, 2011 at 9am.

Motion made by Vice-Chairman Tom Newman, seconded by Supervisor Rodney George.

Vote 3 to 0. All in favor.

Set date for Trick or Treat Night.

Date set for October 31, 2011 from 6 to 8pm.

Motion made to except bid by Supervisor Rodney George, seconded by Vice-Chairman Tom Newman.

Vote 3 to 0. All in favor.

Estimates for security cameras to be placed at township garages; cameras would monitor illegal dumping and pilfering of Township supplies.

Motion made by Supervisor Rodney George, seconded by Vice-Chairman Tom Newman.

Vote 3 to 0. All in favor.

Approve Secretary Lora Nothstein attending CMW/CDL Records Management Class (PSATS), November 1, 2011 in Whitehall PA; cost is \$50.00.

Motion made by Vice-Chairman Tom Newman, seconded by Supervisor Rodney George.

Vote 3 to 0. All in favor.

Approve Vaccines for work crew; crew would receive Influenza, Tetanus and Hepatitis B series; \$147.15 per employee.

Motion made by Vice-Chairman Tom Newman, seconded by Supervisor Rodney George.
Vote 3 to 0. All in favor.

State allocation for the Police and Fireman's Fund was received in the amount of \$55,317.99.

AT&T was notified on September 27, 2011 that the flag at Towamensing Township Volunteer Fire Company needs to be replaced.

Remove Elise Binder from the Towamensing Township Historical Committee Board.
Motion made by Vice-Chairman Tom Newman, seconded by Supervisor Rodney George.
Vote 3 to 0. All in favor.

Appoint Lora Nothstein to the Towamensing Township Historical Committee Board.
Motion made by Vice-Chairman Tom Newman, seconded by Supervisor Rodney George.
Vote 3 to 0. All in favor.

Historical Commission Presentation of Historical Preservation Award and Certificate of Appreciation.

ROAD MASTER

Grates for culverts at 240 Stable Road & 445 Strohl's Valley Road.
Towamensing Elementary School will be notified again to clean the culvert on Stable Road. Road master will look into grates for both locations.

Update on culvert at corner of Stable & Strohl's Valley Road; when will it be filled in with blacktop.
Supervisor Rodney George said this will be completed in the week or so.

Update on maintenance of Township Building.
Set appointment with Vice-Chairman Tom Newman to inspect buildings and make list of needed repairs.
Roof has been completed, garage doors have been finished, and gable ends of main building have been finished.

Clean-out culvert at Tar Run & Pohopoco Dr.
Road master not aware of problem, but will look into it next week.

Grade swell on Johnson Ln.
Will be taken care of by next meeting.

Up-date on soccer field; when will it be plowed.
Will be plowed and graded in the next 2 weeks, weather permitting.

Fire Co. chip & tar project.
As requested by the Fire Chief, Wayne Knirnschild, will do next spring.

CORRESPONDENCE

Letter from Palmerton Borough requesting the assistance of the Towamensing Township Fire Police for the Palmerton Halloween Parade; October 16, 2011.
Motion made by Vice-Chairman Tom Newman, seconded by Supervisor Rodney George.
Vote 3 to 0. All in favor.

Letter requesting Supervisors to attend the Veterans Day Parade in Jim Thorpe November 6, 2011.
Motion made by Vice-Chairman Tom Newman, seconded by Supervisor Rodney George.
Vote 3 to 0. All in favor.

Thank you Letter from Secretary Lora Nothstein.

OFFICIALS

Zoning Office hours for October.

October 5th, 12th, 26th, from 5:00PM to 7:00PM

Zoning Officer can be contacted at the township web site for additional appointments:

info@towamensingtownship.com; in comments put attention Christine or by phone: 610-681-4202 ext: 11

Friends of Kibler School and Historical Commission will be having a “Good Old Days” celebration on October 8, 2011 from 1 to 3pm at the Kibler School. Public invited.

Historical Commission will have a guest speaker at the October 27, 2011 meeting. Herbology is the topic, public is invited.

Flu shots available in Palmerton October 8, 2011 from 9am to 2pm at the Palmerton Volunteer Fire Company.

ADJOURNMENT