

WEST COCALICO TOWNSHIP

Leading the Pledge of Allegiance, the Chairman, Jacque Smith called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m.

The following were in attendance:

Supervisors: Jacque Smith, Terry Scheetz and James Stoner (JJ).

Others Present: Carolyn Hildebrand, Manager; Shelbie Shupp, Administrative Assistant; Tom Showalter, Roadmaster; Steve Laudenslager, Jim Hamill, Terry Bergman, Ray Burns, Elaine Bowman, Ralph Vedder, Mark South, Norma Enck, Leon Eby, Glenn Schoener, Freda Fasnacht, Lori and Theodore Berger, April Westhafer, and Glenda Danilshenko.

Jacque Smith asked for public comment:

- Mark South asked why the meeting was changed from the evening of April 2, to a daytime meeting today; especially in light of the police controversy? Mr. Smith responded that it was brought to their attention by resident, Steve Laudenslager; that Thursday was a religious holiday. The meeting was changed to accommodate for the holiday.
- Ray Burns asked if there was an update on grant money for the Main St. Park and when it would be finished since it is getting into the season for park use? The Manager said she is still waiting to hear about the grant money. The Roadmaster said the park is ready for playground equipment, which they are waiting to purchase until they hear about the grant. He said they have put in new mulch and there is an access on the creek side. The rest of the area is fenced to protect the ground they recently seeded.
- Steve Laudenslager asked if there were notes from the executive session on March 17th? Mr. Smith said there were no notes. The Supervisors were meeting with Larry Maier, Solicitor, for his advice regarding how they should respond to East Cocalico's letter. Mr. Laudenslager asked if the Supervisors sanctioned Larry Maier's response to him at the last meeting? Mr. Stoner told Mr. Laudenslager that he asked for the response Larry Maier gave him.

James Stoner motioned to approve the Board of Supervisors minutes from March 17, 2015.

Terry Scheetz seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Terry Scheetz motioned to approve the attached list of checks totaling \$18,344.23. James Stoner seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Tom Showalter gave the Roadmaster's Report:

- The Supervisors, Carolyn and Tom did a drive around survey of road conditions.
 1. Bid documents will go out in the middle of May for Binder Rd. The road will be redone from Indiantown Rd. up to the two farm lanes.
 2. Sandy Hill Rd. will be kept open for now. If problems arise with further deterioration of the bridge, at that time closing of the road will be discussed. We are still waiting for resolution with the insurance company representing the truck driver who hit the bridge last fall.
 3. A short section of Stober's Dam Rd. may be added into the Binder Rd. bid.

4. Forest Rd. end walls and pipe replacement is being done this week. The road should be open for the weekend.
- Currently cleaning up anti-skid. There are about 120 tons of pure salt and 120 tons of mix leftover.
- The snow equipment will not require any major repairs.

Carolyn Hildebrand gave the Manager's Report:

1. Attended the following meetings:
 - a. Zoning Hearing Board – March 12, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.
2. Met with Paul Good to get a quote for painting the property at 360 W Route 897.
3. Attended the MS4 workshop presented by DEP on Thursday, March 19, 2015 which focused on the Chesapeake Bay plan and TMDL plans .
4. Met with Ted Cromleigh to discuss the Joseph Stoltzfus Lot add-on plan on Monday, March 23, 2015.
5. Met with the Village Hollow Homeowner's Association on Wednesday, March 25, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. to discuss purchasing the small lot adjoining the property at 360 W Route 897.
6. Met with Jim Caldwell and Lauren Zumbrun from Rettew to have a conference call with DCNR to kick off the grant we received for the Chapel Gate Park Project.
7. Sent several enforcement notices regarding chickens being kept in Reinholds on lots which are too small for them to meet the requirements.

Terry Scheetz said they have not had any response from East Cocalico Twp. regarding the letter West Cocalico Twp. Supervisors sent in response to East Cocalico's letter. The current police contract expires December 31, 2015. The Township would need to let East Cocalico Twp. know by October 1st if they do not want to contract with them for 2016. If West Cocalico Twp. wishes to end the 2015 contract sooner, they need to give a 6 month notice.

Terry Scheetz motioned to have the Manager explore other sources of police coverage, still leaving open the door for further discussions with East Cocalico Twp. or partnering with the other municipalities in the Cocalico School District to form a Regional Police force. Jacque Smith seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Several residents suggested that a list be compiled of criteria for police coverage before evaluating services from other police forces. The Supervisors were questioned as to why they were not concerned about police costs before. Mr. Stoner said they were looking at the costs while Norma Enck was the Manager and he had contacted Mr. Mackley for information, which Mr. Mackley never provided. West Cocalico Township had brought their concerns to East Cocalico Township at that time. He also said that all three municipalities that contract with East Cocalico Twp. for police coverage have different contracts. A resident questioned why the Supervisors are putting money before public safety concerns. Mr. Smith said the Board is concerned about public safety and costs.

Lancaster County Preservation Trust's request for support will be discussed when the budget is reviewed.

James Stoner motioned to approve the request from Schoeneck Veterans Memorial Association to have the park closed and to use fire police for traffic control on Memorial Day. Terry Scheetz seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Terry Scheetz motioned to approve advertising the seal coat and paving projects for 2015. James Stoner seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

On a motion by James Stoner and seconded by Terry Scheetz, the meeting was adjourned at 9:58 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

James Stoner
Secretary