

**BIRMINGHAM TOWNSHIP  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING  
MARCH 3, 2008**

**BEDWELL APPEAL HEARING**

A hearing to consider the application from Mark & Thomas Bedwell appealing the Township's revocation of a sewer permit issued for the property at 1380 Wilmington Pike was held from 7:15 PM – 8:15 PM, prior to the regular Township meeting. The hearing was transcribed by Court Reporter, Jennifer Guy.

**REGULAR MEETING**

The regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors was called to order at 8:16 PM in the Township Building by Chairman Conklin with the pledge of allegiance followed by the customary moment of silence. A quorum of Supervisors was declared. The following Township Officials were in attendance:

John Conklin	-	Chairman, Board of Supervisors
William Kirkpatrick	-	Vice-Chairman, Board of Supervisors
Al Bush	-	Member, Board of Supervisors
Thomas Nelling	-	Chief of Police
Michael Langer	-	Recreation, Park & Open Space Committee Chairman
Lloyd Roach	-	Emergency Management Coordinator
Kristin Camp	-	Township Solicitor
Quina Nelling	-	Secretary/Treasurer

Chairman Conklin stated that on the last page of the February 18, 2008 minutes, in the last sentence of the second paragraph, condemnation should be changed to read, "next legal option". Chairman Conklin moved to approve the minutes as corrected. Mr. Bush seconded the motion and it was carried. Mr. Kirkpatrick abstained from voting as he was not in attendance at the February 18<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Mr. Bush moved to approve the bills submitted for payment. General Fund bills totaled \$32,196.17. Sewer Fund bills totaled \$7,593.09. (Approved all in favor.)

Chairman Conklin announced that the Supervisors held a meeting with Township personnel, including members of the police department, on Tuesday, February 19<sup>th</sup> @ 4:30 PM to discuss health insurance benefits.

The spring road inspection will be held on Friday, March 14<sup>th</sup> @ 8 AM.

**EAST BRADFORD TOWNSHIP OFFICIAL MAP UPDATE**

The Township is in receipt of an update to the Official Map for East Bradford Township. The Planning Commission was to review the Map at its meeting on February 12<sup>th</sup>, but the meeting was cancelled due to inclement weather. The Map is to be reviewed and commented upon by surrounding townships. However, a review by the Planning Commission at its March 11<sup>th</sup> meeting with a recommendation to the Supervisors for its

March 17<sup>th</sup> meeting would exceed the 45 day review period for comments. Mr. Bush said that the changes were housekeeping issues. Chairman Conklin noted that there is a trail on the East Bradford Township Map that stops at the Birmingham Township line. However, there are no plans for a trail in Birmingham to connect to the East Bradford Trail. He did not think that it was worth noting in a review letter and suggested that the Township Secretary forward a letter to East Bradford Township with no comments on the Official Map Update from Birmingham Township. The Board concurred.

### **HARB REPORT**

At its meeting on February 19, 2008, HARB reviewed an application from Mrs. Jean Pougner, 1104 Daniel Davis Lane, for re-siding the house and painting the shutters. The colors to be used will be either Alpine Frost or Arctic White for the siding and either Black Forest Green or Sussex Green for the shutters, with the choice being Mrs. Pougner's. Mr. Bush moved to issue a Certificate of Appropriateness to Mrs. Jean Pougner as recommended by HARB. (Approved all in favor.)

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Lloyd Roach informed the Board that he got a report from the National Weather Service in Hibernia Park that this part of Chester County will be in a flood watch tomorrow night.

Michael Langer said that the Recreation, Park & Open Space Committee (RPOS) is recommending that the lease at Sandy Hollow Heritage Park be renewed to the Hicks Brothers for \$30./acre. Some minor road mowing along South New Street Road will also be done. Hicks Brothers has been asked to forward a current Certificate of Insurance to the Township. RPOS has marked up the existing lease with recommended changes. There were no comments on the proposed changes by the Supervisors. The Township Solicitor was asked to prepare the lease with the changes as recommended by RPOS.

Mr. Langer said that RPOS will be coming to the next Township meeting to discuss general landscape maintenance for Sandy Hollow Heritage Park.

Harry Miller, Bottom Lane resident, asked if Hicks Brothers is farming a crop or just cutting normal growth. Mr. Langer said that Hicks Brothers farms a crop. Chairman Conklin added that the property cannot be farmed for corn.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:24 PM. (AWB)

Respectfully submitted,

Quina Nelling  
Secretary/Treasurer