LOWER MILFORD TOWNSHIP

Lehigh County BOARD OF SUPERVISORS February 19, 2015 Regular Meeting MINUTES

Present: Chair Donna Wright, Vice-Chair Michael Snovitch, Supervisor William Roy, Solicitor Mark Cappuccio, Esq., Ellen Koplin, Township Manager and 12 audience members

The meeting was convened at 7:30 pm by Chair Wright and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

No citizen comments at this time

Motion by Snovitch to approve the minutes of the January 15, 2015 regular meeting, seconded by Roy and unanimously approved.

Motion by Roy to approve the minutes of the February 5, 2015 workshop meeting, seconded by Snovitch and unanimously approved.

The Treasurer's Report for January 31, 2015 (cash & investments) was read.

•	General Fund	\$356,849.00
•	Rec. & Open Space Fund	6,491.00
•	Sewer Fund	62,374.00
•	Capital Reserve Fund	7,549.00
•	Fire Fund	469,908.00
•	Highway Capital Improvement Fund	313,808.00
•	State Liquid Fuels Tax Account	20,197.00
•	Developer Escrows (Non Twp. Funds)	47,109.00

Motion by Roy to accept the January 31, 2015 Treasurer's Report as read, seconded by Snovitch, unanimously approved.

Motion by Snovitch to pay the February 2015 bills, seconded by Roy and unanimously approved.

Wright announced the Police Report, Public Works Report, Zoning Report and Manager's Report were available.

There are no new subdivisions or land developments and no action to be taken.

A Fire Company Report was submitted to the Board Chair at the beginning of the meeting and will be held and available at the next regular meeting.

Macungie Ambulance submitted a report for January 2015.

The Librarian's report was available, however, the February 17 Board meeting was postponed and no report would be available.

Under Old Business:

Motion by Roy to adopt Ordinance No. 126 authorizing Lower Milford Township to enter into a multi-municipal agreement to revise the Southwestern Lehigh County Comprehensive Plan. Seconded by Snovitch and unanimously approved.

Under New Business:

Koplin reviewed an EPA brochure, "Eight Simple Steps to Clean Water," as a stormwater educational opportunity. Copies were made available to the audience and Board members.

The following correspondence was received:

- Southern Lehigh Public Library, Agenda & Report
- Chrin Hauling Recycling Report for Lower Milford 13.6 tons from Elementary School

Announcements as follows:

- Southern Lehigh Public Library Cancelled Earth Day Celebration to be held on April 25, however, an electronics recycling event will be held that day.
- Lower Milford Township will hold the Annual Cleanup Day on Saturday, April 25 from 8am to noon with lunch provided. Please contact Rich Kinsey to volunteer.
- Southern Lehigh Public Library to host speaker Bert Winzer, World War II Veteran, Purple Heart, Bronze Star and Congressional Gold Medal recipient on Monday, April 27 at 7:00 pm.

Public Comments as follows:

• Lloyd Ohl wanted to know why the Police Chief's smart phone was taken away and made arguments on the Police Chief's behalf.

He was informed by the Manager and Board Chair that a smart phone had not been authorized. Under a previous plan, the employees shared minutes and everyone had a basic flip phone. The Township is now providing basic flip phones for the Public Works Dept. and paying others a \$20 per month stipend to use their own cell phone for Township Business. Currently, the Emergency Management Coordinate and the Township Police Officer receive the stipend and the Manager and other Board members supply their own

phones. The Police Chief is eligible for the \$20 per month stipend.

- Kenneth Knapp questioned if the Township had an ordinance requiring street address numbers to be posted. Yes, the Township, at the request of the Fire Company, amended the street address ordinance a few years ago, to require 3" reflective numbers be displayed. The Fire Company should report any property not in compliance to the Zoning Officer.
- Arland Schantz pointed out to the Fire Company that they are off the hook for property loss if a property isn't marked and they can't find it.

On Motion by Roy, seconded by Snovitch, the meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Ellen L. Koplin
Township Manager/Secretary

