

Patterson Township Board of Commissioners  
1600 19<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Beaver Falls PA 15010

**Regular Meeting**  
Thursday, June 13, 2013

The Patterson Township Board of Commissioners held their regular meeting on Thursday, June 13, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. at the Municipal Complex, 1600 19<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Following the call to order and Pledge of Allegiance, roll call showed Commissioners Policaro, Bradow, Hoover and Mahosky present. Mrs. Bonomo was absent.

**Minutes:** The minutes of the previous meeting held Thursday, May 9, 2013 were presented for approval. Motion was made by Mr. Hoover; seconded by Mr. Mahosky approving the minutes as presented. Passed unanimous.

**Public Comment/Visitors:** None

**Treasurer's Report:** Mrs. Ferrazzano distributed and reviewed the monthly Treasurer's Report(s) for May, 2013 on the General Fund, Sewer Fund and Other Accounts.

**Monthly Bills:** The monthly bills for May and June were distributed for review. Motion was made by Mr. Hoover; seconded by Mr. Mahosky approving payment. Passed unanimous.

**Engineer's Report:** Mr. Larry Lennon, Jr. (LSSE) distributed the monthly report and reviewed the following items: Darlington Court – construction underway; nothing to report. 2012 Road Program – the restoration pending has been done and final payment is being recommended by LSSE in the amount of \$5,565.38, which closes the contract. Motion was made by Mr. Hoover; seconded by Mr. Mahosky approving final payment (to be taken from Liquid Fuels Fund). Passed unanimous on a roll call vote.

The 2013 Road Program has been put out for bid with opening scheduled for the next meeting on July 11, 2013. A recap of the contracts was provided: Contract A – 17<sup>th</sup> Street (Darlington Road to Fox Avenue); Contract B – 17<sup>th</sup> Street (House #2216 to Fox Avenue); and Contract C – Fox Avenue (17<sup>th</sup> Street to Jenny Street) and (17<sup>th</sup> Street Darlington Road to House #2216).

It was noted that School Street and 19<sup>th</sup> Avenue have areas of cracking, which were paved in 2011. LSSE met with Youngblood Paving (Contractor) who indicated that he would core the areas in question. Since nothing has been done, LSSE will issue a letter requesting the repairs be made by June 28<sup>th</sup> or action will be taken on their Maintenance Bond.

The status of the Steffin Hill Sanitary Sewer line replacement is that the preliminary layout has been completed and work has started on the NPDES permit application.

MS4 Program – work is ongoing, still waiting for DEP to issue the NPDES GP-13 Permit. The Year 10 Annual Report was submitted to DEP on June 7<sup>th</sup>. South End Sanitary Sewer Replacement - waiting for the contractor's notification that all complaints have been resolved (PT Municipal Authority project). County Flood Hazard Mapping – No change, waiting for FEMA to notify municipality of the 90 day appeals period.

**Solicitor's Report** – Mr. Ross reported on a meeting that was held between Blackhawk School District, Jerry Wessel (Business Manager) and Solicitor John Salopek and the Township; Mr. Fawcett and Mrs. Wagoner. An action plan was developed regarding the uncashed checks found in Mr. Anderson's tax records. The Township will send letters to those who made Earned Income Tax payments; Blackhawk School District will take care of Per Capita payments and both will take care of their own property taxes and miscellaneous.

Mr. Hoover made a motion approving the Treasurer's Report; Engineer's Report and Solicitor's Report. Seconded by Mr. Mahosky the motion passed unanimous.

**Committee Reports: Fire/Finance** – Mr. Mahosky submitted 14 fire reports for May. Motion was made by Mr. Hoover; seconded by Mr. Mahosky approving payment of the 130 ½ hours or \$848.25. Motion passed unanimous on a roll call vote.

Mr. Mahosky advised that the Township Fire Department assisted Beaver Falls Fire Department at a recent fire at the Beaver Falls Plaza. He noted accolades by the residents and management on the professional assistance provided by Patterson Township firemen.

Mr. Mahosky noted a few additional items: the air conditioning at the Firehall is experiencing problems; the computer project is moving forward (mentioned donation from IPSCO); received a siren complaint from residents in the area (advised that the siren is on a timer 10pm to 8 am); gave a generator grant update. Mr. Mahosky also advised of a complaint whereby a school bus from Beaver Falls School District is using 17<sup>th</sup> Street in the area of 18<sup>th</sup> Avenue and 20<sup>th</sup> Avenue. The problem is that this is a narrow street. Mr. Mahosky requested Chief Cindrich look into suggesting an alternate route.

**Parks/Recreation** – Mr. Hoover provided an update on the Recreation Project at the rear of Patterson Primary. The basketball court is underway, with West Mayfield providing an auger to drill the holes. The Township Public Works employees will set the poles and install the backboards. The electrical installation will be provided by Blackhawk School District's Maintenance Department.

**Public Works** – Mr. Hoover submitted the name of Nick Martin, 1716 21<sup>st</sup> Avenue for hiring as summer help in the Public Works Department. An interview was held; pre-employment physical done and the background check complete. Mr. Hoover made the motion to hire Nick Martin at \$8.25/hour for a 40 hour week. Seconded by Mr. Mahosky, the motion passed unanimous on a roll call vote.

Mr. Hoover submitted requests for payment of unused sick days from Greg DeLuca, who has 14 unused sick days; and Joe Cipolla, who has 23 ½ days (multi-years). Mr. Hoover made the motion to approve payment in accordance with the Personnel Policy (calculated at ½ day and/or hours). Seconded by Mr. Bradow, the motion passed unanimous.

Mr. Hoover reported that the sign replacement project is almost complete. Over a two year period, approximately \$5,000.00 has been spent to bring the Township's signage into compliance with the new law. It was noted that the new street signs are more visible.

**Ordinances/Policies** – In Mrs. Bonomo's absence, Mr. Policaro noted the need to set the Treasurer's salary for 2014, whether it be by Ordinance or Resolution.

**Code Enforcement** – Mr. Morrow's monthly report for May was distributed to the Board for review.

**Police/COG/Township Office** – Mr. Policaro noted no report from the Council of Governments. The monthly Police report for May was distributed for review. The merger referendum put on the May Primary ballot for the voters in Fallston Borough and Patterson Township was defeated.

Mr. Policaro advised of the need to authorize a letter to Fallston Borough Council for the Township to continue to provide police services. The current contract expires at the end of 2013. Motion was made by Mr. Hoover; seconded by Mr. Bradow instructing the Secretary to send a letter to Fallston Borough indicating that Patterson Township would like to continue offering police service to Fallston. Motion passed unanimous.

Motion was made by Mr. Hoover; seconded by Mr. Mahosky approving **all Committee Reports** as presented. Passed unanimous.

**Unfinished Business:** A letter was sent to the Pension consultants: Donald Flick, MetLife; Gerri Steigerwald, Huntington Bank; and Christine Ehringer, Hallett Associates inviting them to a future work session (August or September) to review the pension funds/investments.

**Township Agencies:** As per the lease agreement between the Township and the Patterson Township Municipal Authority, the Secretary recommended transferring the budgeted amount of \$5,000.00 over to the Authority as required. Motion was made by Mr. Hoover; seconded by Mr. Mahosky approving payment. Passed unanimous on a roll call vote.

**Communications:** The Secretary advised of the receipt of a check in the amount of \$600.00 from First Energy Solutions. This check represented proceeds from the Friends/Family Program that was initiated by Beaver County.

**New/Miscellaneous Business:** None

**Executive Session:** The Board went into an Executive Session for legal advice on a personnel issue at 7:35 p.m.

Back in session at 7:55 p.m. with no report from the Executive Session.

**Adjournment:** There being no further business to be brought before the Board, motion was made by Mr. Bradow to adjourn. Seconded by Mr. Hoover, the meeting adjourned at 7:56 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Paula J. Wagoner, CMC  
Township Secretary

Copy: James J. Ross, Esq.  
Ned Mitrovich/Larry Lennon, Jr.  
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