

The following workshop minutes will not become official until they are approved at the next Supervisors Regular Meeting, September 12, 2011

August 3, 2011

The Germany Township Supervisors met for a workshop at 9:30 a.m. at the township office, 103 S. Queen Street. The meeting was called to order by Jack Ketterman, Chairman, Supervisors Bitzel and Valko were also present. Also in attendance, Secretary/Treasurer, Susan Hansen and Planning Chairman/Special Projects Coordinator Carroll Dell.

Comments

1. Do the Supervisors have the right to call, stop by Attorney James' office without the majority of all Supervisors. Do Township employees have the right to call the Attorney without the permission of the Supervisors. Should there be a policy in place for such actions. This will be looked into.

Road Master Report

Carroll Dell gave the road master report:

1. Base repairs are complete
2. Opening gutters on Kingsdale Road, Gettysburg Road, Mathias Road, Kindig Road, Teeter Road and St. John's Road.
3. Township should look into adding another road worker for the 2012 budget during summer season when road work needs to be done.

Planning Commission Report:

1. Miller Subdivision plan is complete and has been recorded.
2. Carroll Dell met with Dean Schultz of Gettysburg Engineering out at the Crosswinds site to go over the amended Storm Water Management Design Plans.
3. Mr. Dell sent Steven's Restaurant a letter advising them of the conditions of the sewage facility permit and what those conditions are.

Mr. Bitzel asked about Lion Archer Drive and if the bond for that private road is still in effect. Ms. Hansen and Mr. Dell advised Mr. Bitzel the bond was still in effect and has been paid up to date. The Township should look into a new Engineers Estimate for Improvements to make sure the bond is enough to cover the paving of the private road. Mr. Bitzel also wanted to know at what point can the Township make Mr. Steven's pave Lion Archer Drive, should ask Attorney James for assistance on the paving of a private road.

Project Coordinator's Report:

1. Mr. Dell reported he has 3 proposals for the new office building construction.
 - Kimmel Bogrette - \$104,100.00

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- C.S. Davidson, Inc. - \$72,000.00
- James Baumgardner Architect - \$45,000.00

Mr. Dell would like the Supervisors to put the construction of the office building on the agenda for the August Supervisors meeting and approval of a contract for construction of the new office building on the agenda also.

Secretary's Report:

1. Pay for Supervisors attending classes, conferences, conventions, going out on complaints. Most Townships do not pay for these expenditures just what is listed in the Second Class Township Code.
2. Recordation of Subdivision and Land Development Plans, these do need to be recorded within 90 days of approval. If they are not will have to come back to the Supervisors for new approval and new signatures.
3. Looked into adding a per capita tax and increasing real estate taxes for the year 2012. A per capita tax would increase revenue by about \$9000.00 a year. Board of Assessment said we can raise taxes next year we just couldn't for 2011 with the new assessments that were done.

Supervisors:

1. Mr. Bitzel stated by legal authority he was asking for the resignations of Mr. Ketterman and Mr. Valko by Monday August 8, 2011 or possible civil and criminal charges could be filed and this would cause expense to the taxpayers and embarrassment to all individuals involved.
2. Mr. Ketterman stated due to the comments from Mr. Bitzel the Township should seek legal advice from Attorney James.

There being no further discussion the workshop was adjourned at 12:05 p.m.

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August 17, 2011

The Germany Township Supervisors met for a workshop at 9:30 a.m. at the township office, 103 S. Queen Street. The meeting was called to order by Jack Ketterman, Chairman, Supervisors Bitzel and Valko were also present. Also in attendance, Secretary/Treasurer, Susan Hansen and Planning Chairman/Special Projects Coordinator Carroll Dell.

Comments

Gettysburg Times misquoted the amount of rent the Township is paying for the office, it should have been around \$10,000 a year not a month.

Planning Chairman/Project Coordinator:

1. Carroll Dell updated the Supervisors on the SALDO amendments. Eight sections are complete and will soon have the rest. Once completed the amendments will be forwarded to Adams County Planning and Attorney James for review.
2. Looking into funding for the new office building. Different types of loans, maybe bonds with Adams County.
3. Bethel Assembly of God will be submitting a revised landscape plan based on existing conditions.
4. Carroll will be contacting Union Township to meet with Supervisors about getting an inter-municipal agreement with them like the one the Township has with Mt. Joy, sharing, equipment, helping with road work, etc.
5. Carroll also gave the Road Master report; Gutters have been done on the roads that are getting a seal coat.

Secretary's Report:

1. Received a complaint about the rent that was misquoted in the Gettysburg Times and about that real estate taxes may be increased. Also received a complaint about the gutter cutting on Mathias Road.
2. A new windshield was put in the dump truck, it was cracked.
3. Asked Supervisors to not come in after hours and make copies of files, this could be a liability issues if files are lost or misplaced.

Supervisors:

1. Mr. Bitzel asked Mr. Dell to look into a possible zoning violation for signs on a property that is not zoned commercial.

There being no further discussion the workshop was adjourned at 11:10 a.m.