

## **Eden Township Board of Supervisors Minutes of the August 10, 2015 Meeting**

**Call-to-Order:** Supervisor Ellis Ferguson called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Attendance:** Supervisors Ellis Ferguson, David Rohrer and David Rineer, also Mark Rudy and Gerry Parker, and the following members of the public: Randy Kyler, Cory Landis, Trooper Atkinson, Ron Althoff, David Stoltzfus, Ivan D. Stoltzfus, Gideon Stoltzfus, John Stoltzfus, Barry Leonard, Jacob Fisher, Menno K. Stoltzfus, Craig Williams, Rick McEvoy, Lynn Commero, Levi M. Fisher, Tiny Maximus, Jesse Lapp, Jacob Beiler, Isaac Glick, Judy Landis, Joe Rineer.

### **Public Participation:**

**Trooper Atkinson** (State Police) gave the Board a readout of all calls in Eden Township, 139 calls in all. They range as follows: 17 criminal (thefts, threats etc.), 18 crashed, 104 other incidents (EMS assist, disabled vehicles etc.). Jacob Fisher had a question for the Trooper about cars meeting at night by the railroad (DJ lane and Railway access road). Mr. Fisher was told he or anyone could call the State Police at 717-299-7650. The Trooper also expressed that the more information about the vehicles, make, color and especially the license number would be of great help.

**Ron Althoff** (Quarryville Library) gave a handout with information about who uses the library and its impact on the community as a whole. He was looking for any and all support and hoped the Township would consider an increase in their next budget.

**Craig Williams** (Strausser Engineering) presented a sewage module plan for Jacob Fisher, 114 Pumping Station Road; he is adding a second residence on his property. The plan is only for DEP and a future, more detailed plan will be presented after sewage approval. The plan had already been signed by the Planning Commission and the Zoning Officer. David Rohrer motioned and David Rineer seconded to sign the module. Motion carried unanimously.

**Joe Rineer** (45 Skyview Drive) brought up the fact that the Township had received a permit to remove the pipe under the driveway off Pumping Station Road. Mr. Rineer wanted to know if the Township was going ahead with the removal immediately. Supervisors stated that they were not removing the pipe at this time but waiting for the bridge requirements, DEP and railroad requirements.

Mr. Rineer asked about the bog turtle study. Mark stated we have not received anything in writing and that no bog turtles were found but the area is prime bog turtle habitat. Mark also stated that the parking area along that area is parking ONLY for the Township and the power company.

**Levi M. Fisher** (180 Springville Road) again had questions about the driveway trench and if he did something else as good would that be sufficient. Gerry Parker explained that it would have to be inspected by Ed Fisher and he would make that determination. Mr. Fisher stated that he did not want to deal with Ed Fisher. It was explained that he or a representative for him could meet with Ed. Mr. Fisher asked Gerry Parker to do that meeting; Mrs. Parker declined stating it was not her place to have such a meeting. Mr. Fisher became quite angry. David Rineer told Mr. Fisher that this problem had been visited many times in the past and Mr. Fisher knows what he has to do and there will be no more discussion on the matter.

Gideon Stoltzfus (560 Furnace Road) questioned why horse barns are required to meet building code in Eden Township. It was explained that in 2004 when the code went into effect the Supervisors decided that if a horse barn was not on a farm (20 acres or more) it was no different than a garage therefore if it were over 1000 Sq. ft. it comes under code. Mr. Stoltzfus questioned if it could be changed and if the definition of a farm could be changed to less than 20 acres. He stated people are making a living on 5 and 10 acres growing produce and that is farming. Mr. Stoltzfus was advised to take the matter up with the Planning Commission and get them to send a recommendation to the Supervisors who would then consider the request.

Ivan D. Stoltzfus (501 Furnace Road) asked the Board to define outside storage. Ellis stated outside is outside. Mr. Stoltzfus asked what if there was a roof over it. If it is not WITHIN an enclosed building it is outside.

**Minutes:** The minutes of the July 13, 2015 Supervisors meeting were reviewed. David Rineer motioned, David Rohrer seconded to approve the minutes, motion carried unanimously.

**Treasurer's Report:** The Treasurer's report for July 2015, in the amount of \$344,304.62 (attached), was approved on a motion by Ellis Ferguson and seconded by David Rineer, motion carried unanimously.

**Payment of Bills:** The list of bills to be paid in August 2015, in the amount of \$75,287.10 (attached), was approved on a motion by David Rohrer and seconded by Ellis Ferguson, motion carried unanimously.

**SEO Report:** The SEO report listed activity of \$600.00 for the month of July 2015 (attached).

**Tax Collector's Report:** The Tax Collector's Report listed activity of \$4,981.37 for the month of July 2015 (attached).

**Zoning Officer's Report:** Gerry Parker presented the Zoning Officer's Report in the amount of \$1,024.00 for the month of July 2015 (attached).

**Road Master's Report:** Mark Rudy reported mowing, fixing 24" deep hole on Stony Hill Road, fixing horse ruts. He also reported he will be closing Dry Wells Road for a day to replace a pipe. He will be working with Paradise on cleaning side gutters and in return Paradise will be helping with the pipe replacement. Mark also reported a problem with a couple sleeping in their car on Cherry Hill Road from about 10PM to 10AM with a lot of trash and other traffic while they are there. It is believed to be the Smucker property. State police have been notified.

David Rohrer asked about the possibility of closing our section of Cherry Hill Road but it would still be open from Bart's side. Mark will check into it.

**Solanco Public Safety Committee:** No report.

**Emergency Management:** No report.

**Southern Lancaster County Inter-Municipal Council:** Meeting was taken up with discussions about Smithville underpass and how to best slow down the traffic, roundabouts were discussed but no decision or plan is ready.

**Correspondence:** Received correspondence was reviewed and disseminated.

**Planning Commission Report:** Supervisors read and discussed the written report from the Planning Commission. They also reviewed the sketch plan from the Solanco School District. They asked the Zoning Officer how many EDU's the School District was requesting. According to the letter sent with the plan the District was not planning any additional students and no EDU's were requested at this time.

**Old Business:** None.

**New Business:**

**Resolution #2015-08-10-01** was discussed. On a motion by David Rohrer and second by David Rineer, the motion to sign Resolution #2015-08-10-01 approving the compensation of Planning Commission members carried unanimously.

**Bridge Replacement:** David Rohrer asked about the replacement of two (2) bridges scheduled to be replaced. Mark stated no resolution to which bridge was first. Mr. Rohrer wondered if the Township would be contacted about the detour route because he did not want the detour to be over Piccadilly Hill Road or Stone Road because they cannot handle the truck traffic. David Rineer stated the State would contact the Township about the detour routes.

**Avian Flu:** Mark gave a report on an Avian Flu meeting he attended. It was stated that Pa. was the largest chicken producer in the country. If the avian flu hit the state it would be a major disaster with many restrictions on anyone with birds of any kind. It could even require the National Guard to be called out restricting access to many farms and roads. Townships would be required to pitch in and help wherever necessary.

**Public Participation:** None.

**Adjournment:** A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Ellis Ferguson and seconded by David Rineer, motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 8:26 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

**Geraldine A Parker**

**Ellis E. Ferguson**

**David R. Rohrer**

**David G. Rineer**