West Nantmeal Township Board of Supervisors Meeting Minutes September 13, 2010

Chairman Elston opened the regularly scheduled meeting at 7:00 P.M. on Monday, September 13, 2010.

Roll call was taken and present were Gary C. Elston, David L. Mast and Nelson R. Beam. Others present at the meeting were Frank Newhams, Zoning Officer and April Barkasi, Engineer.

Chairman Elston called for public comment on tonight's agenda, since there was no public comment he continued with the meeting.

Tonight our township, Glenmoore Fire Co., Twin Valley Fire Department and Elverson EMS would like to honor and make a presentation to two individuals Joseph Logan from Pottstown and Richard Hlavacek from Elverson for their heroic action on August 6, 2010. The two men pulled a driver to safety after the vehicle had hit a utility pole. This was done prior to the emergency services arriving at the scene. The citations were presented to Mr. Logan and Mr. Hlavacek who are definitely heroes and whose quick thinking and action saved a life.

After presenting the citations, Chairman Elston continued with the meeting.

<u>Minutes:</u> The minutes from the Board of Supervisors Meeting from August 9, 2010 were approved as written on a motion made by Mr. Mast, seconded by Mr. Elston. Motion carried unanimously.

The draft minutes from the special meeting held on August 17, 2010 for adoption of the 2010 Zoning Ordinance were approved as written on a motion made by Mr. Beam, seconded by Mr. Mast. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

The Treasurer's Report presented and approved until further audit. Balances were as follows:

General Fund Money Market:	\$706,485.63
General Fund – Checking:	2,798.34
General Fund – EMS	2,993.06
State Fund – Money Market:	122,095.37
State Fund – Checking:	248.87
PLGIT Regular	28,515.89
PLGIT Recreation	284.61
DNB First CD	150,000.00
National Penn CD	125,000.00
Glenmoore Fire Truck	42,012.95

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Capital Reserve	126,409.01
New Truck	47,654.53
Elverson Ambulance	30,328.27
TVFD	30,328.27

<u>Audience:</u> Victor Kelly, Commonwealth Engineers was here representing the Salemwolf Associates, LLP Subdivision. This project is in two township's our and East Nantmeal. East Nantmeal has signed the plot plans. Mr. Kelly is requesting some waivers and also seeking relief on the Park and Recreation Fees and the Traffic Impact fees. Stormwater will be addressed when the building permits are issued and our engineer said there were no outstanding issues aside from the waivers on this plan.

Discussion ensued on the Park and Recreation fee.

Motion: Mr. Mast made the motion to reduce the fees by only collecting on Lots 3,4,5,6,and 7 for a total of \$12,500.00. This was seconded by Mr. Beam, motion carried unanimously.

<u>Motion:</u> To reduce the scale and sheet size as requested. This motion was made by Mr. Beam, seconded by Mr. Mast. Motion carried unanimously.

<u>Motion:</u> To approve and sign the Salemwolf Subdivision Plan. Motion made by Mr. Mast and seconded by Mr. Beam, Vote 3-0 motion carried.

Jeff Miller, 35 Goodfellow Road was here to discuss the opening of the area around the microwave tower off Goodfellow Rd to use the trails. He can't imagine why they would want to do this as the area is isolated and he knows that people will trespass. He was told that this property would be gated and used for tower purposes only when the tower was built. He understands that federal money has been used to purchase the property if the county is beholden to the federal government then they should return the funds. John Mikowychok from Parks and Recreations couldn't be here this evening because of a conflict but will be attending the October 11, 2010 meeting. Mr. Miller is going to return then. It was suggested that we contact Michael Spirito, Deputy of Emergency Services to make sure he is aware of what is proposed for this area and to see if he can attend our next meeting.

Reports:

Frank Newhams gave the Zoning Report.

- The property at 26 New Road has been posted for the Zoning Hearing on September 28, 2010.
- Two citations have been issued to the property on Church Road regarding the abandoned truck in the front yard

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<u>Planning Commission:</u> April Barkasi reviewed what had taken place at the August Planning Commission meeting. She also reviewed and gave an update on what is happening regarding the Honey Brook Township Act 537.

Robert Saunter gave the Roads Report. Mr. Beam met with the owners on Pond View Road with the water problem. Mr. Beam feels this is something that the township needs to take care of and they will meet again to decide exactly what needs to be done. The fix may involve some street work and since Beiler Paving is doing Beam Road in the next few weeks, they will be contacted to get a price on what is needed on Pond View Drive.

Road Inspection: No date selected the board will address this later.

Mr. Mast feels there is a need to have some line painting done in the spring. Mr. Elston requested that our road equipment be inspected to see what if anything needs to be done before winter.

<u>Recreation Report:</u> The trail from the jogging trail to the gazebo has been completed.

<u>Historic Commission</u>: The commission would like to place the Lammey Log home on township property. Several members have been working with people to disassemble the home but we would need to have some place to store the home until we had the funds to erect the home. After discussing this issue at length, the board doesn't think the township park area would be an ideal place for the log home. There are so many obstacles to be faced even if the grants could be found. The decision was that the township didn't want the log home on park property.

<u>Motion:</u> Mr. Mast made the motion to appoint CleEtte Swymer to be our representative to the Honey Brook Community Library. this was seconded by Mr. Beam and motion carried unanimously.

The estimate from Collison, Inc. for repairs to the guide rails on Isabella Rd. was reviewed. Their estimate is for \$1,634.38 which includes \$500.00 for traffic control. The board decided that they would approve the \$1,134.38 for the guide rails but we would supply our own traffic control We will fax this information to Collison to see if they will accept this proposal.

Voter machines to be delivered on Wednesday, October 27, 2010. The secretary will be on vacation. She will notify them that they have to be delivered between 9:00 and 11:00 A.M. while the zoning officer is here. Cell phone numbers will be given to the county incase there is a problem.

The new price for the Zoning Books of 2010 is \$40.00.

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The Revenue for the 2011 Budget was reviewed. Expenditures were discussed.

It was decided due to the new bank rules that subdivisions and land development fees would stay the same, the escrow will be placed in a interest bearing account but no fees would be deducted from the account. Instead the invoices will be sent to each individual for payment and the escrow account will not be used unless the invoices were not paid.

Chairman Elston gave an update on the fire department meetings that he has been attending. Next meeting will be on September 29, 2010.

<u>Bills:</u> The bills were paid as listed on a motion made by Mr. Beam, seconded by Mr. Mast. Vote carried unanimously in favor of the motion.

General Fund

\$28,123.68

With no further business to discuss, adjournment took place at 9:45 P.M. on a motion made by Chairman Elston, seconded by Mr. Mast. (Vote 3-0)

Respectfully submitted,

Susan L. Ward, Secretary