

**South Newton Township Board of Supervisors
Minutes of October 17, 2017**

The South Newton Township (SNT) Board of Supervisors (BOS) met at the South Newton Township Building, 11 High Mountain Road, Shippensburg, PA. Supervisor David **Durff** called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the pledge of allegiance. Board members present were Supervisor David **Durff**, Supervisor Glenn **Keefer**, Supervisor Harry **Nenninger**, and Solicitor Marcus **McKnight**.

Chairman Durff called an Executive Session at 7:01 p.m.
Meeting resumed at 7:18 p.m. Supervisor Keefer will resume meeting as Vice-Chair.

1. MEETING MINUTES – September 18, 2017

Supervisor Harry NENNINGER motioned to accept the minutes of September 19, 2017, Supervisor David DURFF seconded, the motion passed.

2. EMS Report – None

FIRE REPORT – September 2017

SNTVFC reported 20 Fire/Accident Responses, 4 Medical Assist, 12.5 Training Hours, 0 Fire Police Incident, 0 Stand By, 0 Service Detail, 0 Public Relations Event, 0 Parade, 1 Fire Preventions, 0 Fire Related Injuries, Fire Loss **\$0.00**.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT – Jerri Marshall stated she attended the last meeting, not James Marshall. She inquired to the burning in South Newton. Will Davis, Co. 49, stated the Forestry is planning to burn less than 2000 acres the 1st week of November, if no rain the week before. Supervisor Durff stated the Township does not receive notification from Forestry. Supervisor Durff suggested Solicitor McKnight send a letter to Forestry regarding the Township not being notified on upcoming burn.

4. BILL LIST F/ October 17, 2017 –

Supervisor Glenn KEEFER motioned to approve the Bill List f/, September 19, 2017, in the amount of \$18,567.17. Supervisor Harry NENNINGER seconded, all in favor, motion carried.

5. TREASURERS REPORT – Total Township Funds as of September 30, 2017 - \$211,283.06

6. ROADMASTER REPORT – 97 man-hours

Delivered little dump to Chambersburg. Millings on Hammond Road, Signage on Mt. View Road and prepared backhoe for trimming trees. Trimmed Tress on Naugle Road and High Mountain Road. Installed display case, and helped Penn Township.

7. SOLICITOR'S REPORT –

➤ **DELINQUENT GARBAGE COLLECTION ACCOUNTS** – list distributed –

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Trash Accounts - 2 accounts past due, Dupert & Swartz. Solicitor has filed complaints against both account holders.

Solicitor McKnight presented Resolution 2017-04 for the Board to ratify. Resolution 2017-04 allows Solicitor McKnight to represent South Newton Township at the COG meetings.

Letter was sent to Wayne Shirk and Paul Zimmerman regarding farming too close to the township Right of Way.

Solicitor McKnight presented a copy of Penn Townships Landlord/Tenant Ordinance for the Board to review.

Solicitor McKnight stated Penn Township won an award for Beethem Hollow Road culvert, which South Newton assisted in installing. Penn was very appreciative of our help.

Solicitor McKnight stated there will be an extension of the Rails to Trails from Newville to Shippensburg.

Solicitor McKnight stated he spoke with Sally Widner regarding the John Walls issue. She stated she has not spoken to her client in several years. Solicitor will continue with the next step in this process.

Solicitor McKnight stated no decisions were made in the Executive Session.

Supervisor Durff inquired to the Solicitor on the status of the Comcast letter. He stated he is working on it and is aware it is due in December.

- 8. SEWAGE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER (SEO) REPORT – None**
- 9. ZONING/CODE OFFICER (ZO) REPORT – SNT ZO four (4) Zoning Permits and zero (0) Certificates of Occupancy, one (1) Sign Permit**

Zoning Permit:

Z-17-17 – T. Barrick, (Solar City), 27 Firehouse Road, Walnut Bottom, PA 17266

Z-17-18 – A. Zimmerman, 339 High Mountain Road, Shippensburg, PA 17257

Z-17-19 - A. Martin, 1838 Ritner Highway, Shippensburg, PA 17257

Z-17-20- D. Motter, 223 Firehouse Road, Shippensburg, PA 17257

Certificates of Occupancy:

Sign Permit:

S-17-01 – A. Zimmerman, 339 High Mt. Road, Shippensburg, PA 17257

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Dietch Property Cleanup – On October 10, 2017, Code/Zoning Officer stopped to check the progress of cleanup. There was minimal progress. CZO stated she is aware of deadline, and he will be stopping back again next week. Solicitor McKnight stated to have one (1) more session and photos, then if no result we can file in court. *Vice-Chair Glenn KEEFER made a motion to have Solicitor McKnight file action against Ms. Dietch if CZO notifies the Solicitor that no cleanup has taken place. Supervisor David DURFF seconded, motion carried.*

Keefer Property Cleanup – CZO met with Mr. Keefer on September 25, 2017. He was given a copy of the Junk Ordinance and told Mr. Keefer that he will be visiting the property every two weeks. On October 10, 2017 stopped back to check progress, which there was a little progress in cleanup. Supervisor Durff stated the neighbor is concerned about the storage units, and are they within the setbacks on the side. CZO will look into this.

Gantz Water Issue – CZO stated he took pictures and will be contacting Martin & Martin to see what they say will work for the homeowner.

CZO stated no progress has taken place at 38 Furnace Hollow Road, Wojciechowski Property. Notice was posted on door. *Supervisor David DURFF motioned to have Solicitor McKnight begin legal action. Supervisor Harry NENNINGER seconded, motion carried.*

ZONING & HEARING BOARD REPORT – None

10. NEW BUSINESS: None

11. OLD BUSINESS: Discussed earlier in meeting

13. SECRETARYS COMMENTS - Secretary Durff reviewed the information in the packets with the Board:

Permit Database – Secretary Durff stated she will be visiting Penn Township after Thanksgiving, along with John Sheriff, to review their system.

Text/Email Alert – Secretary Durff stated she emailed Penn Township about their alert system, which they encouraged South Newton to join as a member, and receive any alerts they send out. This was completed by Secretary Durff. Secretary has not pursued inquiry to Code Red at this time.

2018 Budget Meeting Date – 2018 Draft budget meeting will be October 24, 2017 at 6:30 p.m.

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15. SUPERVISORS COMMENTS –

Supervisor Durff inquired if reimbursement was received from New Holland for the Little Dump. Secretary Durff stated not as of this date.

Supervisor Durff stated he will order salt, but has not ordered yet.

The new Tractor should be here Friday. *Supervisor David DURFF motioned to have Walnut Bottom Signs install the logo upon arrival. Supervisor Harry NENNINGER seconded, motion carried.*

Supervisor Durff stated that the big dump has some issues, and is at Rick's Repair.

Supervisor Durff stated that due to one of the worker's having surgery, he would like to hire Barry Foltz. Barry has a CDL Class A license, and was a previous Township employee. *Supervisor David DURFF motioned to hire Barry Foltz as an as needed employee. Supervisor Harry NENNINGER seconded, motion carried.*

Supervisor Durff stated Penn Township helped South Newton with mowing and trimming of trees this year. *Supervisor Harry NENNINGER motioned to purchase a \$100.00 gift card from Keck's and a \$100.00 gift card from Sheetz to show our thanks and appreciation to Penn Township. Supervisor David DURFF seconded, motion carried.*

Solicitor McKnight stated in regards to the Tax Credit for Volunteer Fireman, no Fire Co. has come up with a plan yet.

Supervisor Durff thanked the residents for their patience with him as Chair.

ADJOURNMENT: *On a motion made by Supervisor David DURFF and seconded by Supervisor Harry NENNINGER, the public meeting was adjourned at 8:17 p.m.*

In Attendance:

John Sheriff	Lois Burkett	Jerri Marshall	Deb Goshorn
Patty Gantz	Kevin Gantz	Pat Minnelli	Will Davis
Linda Moore	Tom Minnich		

Submitted by:

Trena R. Durff, Secretary