

**South Newton Township Board of Supervisors
Minutes of December 19, 2017**

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

1. MEETING MINUTES – November 21, 2017

Supervisor Harry NENNINGER motioned to accept the minutes of November 21, 2017, Supervisor David Durff seconded, the motion passed.

2. EMS Report – None

FIRE REPORT – November 2017

Chief Burkett presented Supervisor Glenn Keefer a plaque for his years of service and support to the South Newton Township Volunteer Fire Company.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT – Ricky Keefer ask questions concerning clean-up of his property.

4. BILL LIST F/ December 19, 2017 –

Supervisor David Durff motioned to approve the Bill List fl, December 19, 2017, in the amount of \$7,937.35. Supervisor Harry NENNINGER seconded, all in favor, motion carried.

5. TREASURERS REPORT – Total Township Funds as of November 30, 2017 - \$98,418.63

6. ROADMASTER REPORT – 128.5 man-hours

Installed plows and spreaders, replaced stop sign Hammond Road, wind clean-up, pick-up winter supplies, cleaned gutters/pipes on High Mountain and Horsekiller Road, pick-up big dump truck, and removed mower from tractor.

7. SOLICITOR'S REPORT –

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

Trash Accounts - 2 accounts past due, Dupert & Swartz. Solicitor filed complaints.

Solicitor McKnight stated he is still working on the John Walls issue.

Solicitor McKnight stated he is working on the Comcast letter and is aware it is due in December.

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Letter to Forestry was not sent, however Solicitor McKnight will work on this for the spring burning.

Hearing with District Magistrate is scheduled for January 10, 2018 concerning Dietch property.

Letter was sent concerning Gantz water issues.

Solicitor McKnight reviewed Act 42 of 2017 with the Board which authorizes the placement of ten Category 4 casinos within the Commonwealth. Solicitor McKnight presented the board with proposed Resolution. ***Supervisor Glenn Keefer motioned to approve Resolution 2017-05 prohibiting the location of a Category 4 casino within the boundaries of South Newton Township. Supervisor David Durff seconded. All were in favor.***

8. SEWAGE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER (SEO) REPORT – None

9. ZONING/CODE OFFICER (ZO) REPORT – SNT ZO four (4) Zoning Permits

Zoning Permit:

Z-17-24 – Levi Newswanger, 50 McCullough Road, Shippensburg, PA 17257

Z-17-25 – Dan & Jan Turner, 209 Big Pond Road, Shippensburg, PA 17257

Z-17-26 – Merle & Susie Reiff, 1 Naugle Road, Shippensburg, PA 17257

Z-17-27 - Doug Warner, 93 Horsekiller Road, Shippensburg, PA 17257

Certificates of Occupancy:

Sign Permit:

Dietch Property Chickens – Code/Zoning Officer stopped to check on chickens. He stated chickens were indeed out of their pen. ***Supervisor David Durff motion to have Solicitor McKnight send letter to Dietch. No more chickens will be allowed on her property if they are not kept in appropriate pen. Board visited this issue to many times in the past. Supervisor Glenn Keefer seconded, motion carried.***

Keefer Property Cleanup – CZO stopped back to check progress, which there was a little progress in cleanup, half (1/2) of front yard and a small portion of driveway. CZO has been stopping every 2 weeks. ***Supervisor David Durff motioned to have Solicitor McKnight send a letter to Mr. Keefer. Mr. Keefer has until May12, 2018 to be in complete compliance with Township Ordinance. No more extensions or misunderstandings. Supervisor Glenn KEEFER seconded, motion carried.***

Gantz Water Issue – CZO stated he will meet with property owners.

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CZO stated no progress has taken place at 38 Furnace Hollow Road. *Supervisor David Durff motioned to have Solicitor McKnight send a letter stating property needs to be in compliance. Supervisor Harry Nenninger seconded, motion carried.*

ZONING & HEARING BOARD REPORT – None

10. NEW BUSINESS: Mark Henry gave a letter of resignation of Township Auditor to the Board of Supervisors. Letter stated this was a result of him being elected as a Township Supervisor for South Newton Township. *Supervisor David Durff motioned to accept letter of resignation. Supervisor Glenn Keefer seconded, motion carried.*

Trena Durff gave a letter of resignation of Township Secretary/Treasurer to the Board of Supervisors. Letter thanked the Board for the opportunity to serve for the past 7 ½ years. *Supervisor David Durff motioned to accept letter of resignation. Supervisor Glenn Keefer seconded, motion carried.* Supervisor David Durff stated, Trena has been an asset to the Township and has prepared notes and packets for a smooth transition to a new Secretary/Treasurer. This was not a requirement but, was appreciated by the Board of Supervisors.

11. OLD BUSINESS: 2018 Budget. *Supervisor Harry Nenninger motioned to approve 2018 Budget. Supervisor David Durff seconded, motion carried.*

13. SECRETARYS COMMENTS - Secretary Durff supplied information in the packets for the Board:

Permit Database – Supervisor *David Durff motioned to table Permit Database at this time. Supervisor Glenn Keefer seconded, motion carried.*

Text/Email Alert – *Supervisor David Durff motioned to table Text/Email Alert at this time. Supervisor Glenn Keefer seconded, motion carried.*

2018 Re-Organization Date, January 2, 2018 at 7:00 pm.

14. SUPERVISORS COMMENTS –

Supervisor David Durff reported big dump truck was repaired.

Supervisor David Durff asked for authorization for training funds if needed for replacement of secretary/treasurer position. *Supervisor Harry Nenninger motioned authorization of training monies if needed for hiring of new secretary/treasurer. Supervisor Glenn Keefer seconded, motion carried.*

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ADJOURNMENT: *On a motion made by Supervisor Glenn KEEFER and seconded by Supervisor Harry NENNINGER, the public meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.*

In Attendance:

John Sheriff
David Weller

Lois Burkett
Ricky Keefer

Jeri Marshall
Pat Minnelli

Deb Goshorn
Will Davis

Linda Moore
Dan Burkett

Beverly Britton

Tom Minnich

Rob Mattesky

Submitted by:

David E. Durff, Supervisor