

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

**MINUTES OF June 19, 2012 – Supervisor Glenn KEEFER motioned to accept the minutes of June 19, 2012, Supervisor Wayne SHOEMAKER seconded, the motion passed.**

1. **PUBLIC COMMENT** – Property owner, Harold Bowers, had a question regarding Oyster Spring Road, and the right of way. **Chairman DURFF** suggested Mr. Byers go to the Courthouse and get an aerial view of the property

Linda Moore had a question regarding the difference between a right-of-way and a private right away. Solicitor McKnight answered her questions and the Board of Supervisors made suggestions regarding her issue with neighbors.

2. **BILL LIST F/July, 2012 – Supervisor Glenn KEEFER motioned to approve the Bill List f/July 17, 2012, in the amount of \$17,925.19. Supervisor Wayne SHOEMAKER seconded, the motion passed unanimously.**

3. **TREASURERS REPORT** – Total Township Funds as of June 30, 2012, \$104,227.56.

4. **ROADMASTER REPORT – June 20<sup>th</sup> – July 17, 2012 –134 man-hours.**

Put in new drain pipe on Furnace Hollow Road. Mowed, patched High Mountain, Mt. View and Big Pond Roads, picked up and delivered totes, repaired starter in truck 04, fixed water leak in roller, worked on Trackless fuel problem, and cut brush on Maple Ave. **Chairman David DURFF motioned to accept the Roadmaster Report, Supervisor Wayne SHOEMAKER seconded, the motion carried.**

5. **SOLICITOR'S REPORT –**

➤ **DELINQUENT GARBAGE COLLECTION ACCOUNTS –**

➤ **Solicitor McKNIGHT** discussed over due accounts. **Chairman David DURFF** motioned to have **Solicitor McKnight** prepare letters to DJ's office for D. Schneider, L. Robinson, and D. Wiser. New letters for M. Jones, M. McNaughton, D. Yeakley will also be sent. **Supervisor Wayne SHOEMAKER** seconded, motion carried.

➤ **Solicitor McKnight** is still working on the JamBeth bond situation.

➤ Shetron Issue – **Solicitor McKnight** sent another letter to David Wahl, stating they will need to re-apply if the business needs to be modified. A copy of the ordinance and a copy of the previous decision were included with the June 26, 2012 letter.

Zoning Officer, Harry Nenninger, delivered a packet for conditional use to Linda Shetron to complete and submit to the Township.

- **Solicitor McKnight** sent two letters to property owners who were in violation of the grass cutting ordinance. One property has responded by mowing the property, the other, Lauffer Property, has not. **Solicitor McKnight** stated that the **BOS** would have two choices; 1. Go after the Bank that is currently in possession of the property or 2. The Township mows the grass and invoices the property owner/bank. On a motion made by **Chairman David DURFF**, **Solicitor McKnight will go after the bank. This motion was seconded by Supervisory Wayne SHOEMAKER, motion carried.**
- **Solicitor McKnight** reported that Andrew Swartz has paid the fine in full.
- **Solicitor McKnight** prepared and sent a letter to the Hoch brothers regarding Hammond Road.
- **Chairman David DURFF** stated that the Township received a letter from Ricky Keefer today, along with a check in the amount of \$348.50 for Docket number MJ09302-CV-0000076-2012.

**Solicitor McKnight** stated that he has filed a second civil action against Mr. Keefer as directed by the **BOS**. The Hearing is scheduled for August 22, 2012 at 2:30 p.m.

**6. SEWAGE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER (SEO) REPORT – Reviewed**

- **ZONING OFFICER (ZO) REPORT – SNT ZO two (2) Building Permits, five (5) Certificate of Occupancies, one (1) Variance Approved**
- **Certificate of Occupancies Issued to:** M. Reath, D. Martin, E. Quellet, and R. Henry, all of Shippensburg, PA.
- **Building Permits:**
  - Z-12-10 –** Lester Newswanger, 45 McCullough Road, Shippensburg, PA 17257
  - Z-12-11 -** Joseph Hickman, 140 Gutshall Road, Shippensburg, PA 17257
- **Variance:**
  - V-12-01 –** Eric Quellet/Craig Woychowski, 304 High Mountain Rd., Shippensburg, PA 17257

**7. CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER (CEO) – CEO Mattesky reported on:**

Report received that D. Schneider, Main Street had a hog on the property. ZO Nenninger met with Mr. Schneider and gave them until August 3, 2012 to be rid of the animal. A letter was sent to the Schneiders with information on applying for a variance.

CEO Mattesky completed four of the Kennel/Horse Inspections, with one to complete.

CEO Mattesky stated that Mr. Reiff contacted him in regards to having chickens on his property. CEO Mattesky told Mr. Reiff that he would need to apply for a variance.

**8. ZONING & HEARING BOARD REPORT – none**

**9. FIRE REPORT** – SNTVFC reported 8 Fire/Accident Responses, 3 Medical Assist, 3 Training, 1 Parade, **0** Fire Related Injuries, Fire Loss - **\$0**.

**10. NEW BUSINESS:**

**Planning Commission** – *Chairman DURFF* stated that the Planning Commission has lost 2 members and is down to 3. The Commission needs to either disband and have the BOS make the decisions or recruit new members. *Chairman DURFF* would like the BOS to think about this until the next meeting.

**Exemption Forms** - none

**11. OLD BUSINESS:**

*Supervisor Glenn KEEFER stated that due to the limited number of Planning Commission members at the last Planning Meeting, the BOS will need to review and approve the Laird plans. Chairman David DURFF motioned to approve the LAIRD sub-division plans as submitted, Supervisor Wayne SHOEMKAER seconded, motion carried.*

**12. SECRETARYS COMMENTS – none**

**13. SUPERVISORS COMMENTS –**

**Chairman DURFF** stated the Recycling Grant application is now available and he will complete the application for SNT.

*Supervisor KEEFER* stated that Big Pond Road, between 174 and township line needs tar & chip. *Supervisor Glenn KEEFER motioned to tar and chip this area, Supervisor Wayne SHOEMAKER seconded, motion carried.*

**Chairman DURFF** stated the windshield in truck 04 has a crack and there is rust around the window. An estimate to paint and repair rust was received from Mark Jones for \$300.00 - \$400.00. *Supervisor Glenn KEEFER made a motion to have the work completed, Supervisor Wayne SHOEMAKER seconded, motion carried.*

**Chairman DURFF** stated there are three (3) properties in SNT not in compliance with the Trash Ordinance. *Chairman DURFF motioned to have letters sent to: 50 Hammond Road, Shippensburg, 115 Hammond Road, Shippensburg, and 50 McCullough Road, Shippensburg. Supervisor Wayne SHOEMAKER seconded, motion carried.* The BOS would like to see Welcome Packets sent to new residents in the township.

*Chairman DURFF motioned to put \$10,000.00 on the Line of Credit next month, which is in addition to the normal interest payment. This was seconded by Supervisor Wayne SHOEMAKER, motion carried.*

Harry Nenninger stated that in seven (7) years it will be South Newton Township's Centennial. There was discussion on preparation of the event, and forming committees in the future.

**ADJOURNMENT:** The public meeting was adjourned at **8:20 P.M.**

In Attendance:

Harry Nenninger, P.O. Box 4, Walnut Bottom, PA  
Dave Evelhoch, 434 Mountain View Road, Shippensburg, PA  
Linda Moore, 89 E. Main Street, Walnut Bottom, PA  
Donna Brobst, 32 W. Main Street, Walnut Bottom, PA  
Keith Baker, 17 High Mountain Road, Shippensburg, PA  
Rob Mattesky, 3 Antler Court, Shippensburg, PA

Respectfully Submitted by

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Trena R. Durff, Secretary